

Halstead Parish Council

ANNUAL RETURN - Section 2 : Statement of Accounts

Explanation of variances

This is prepared based on information in "Governance and Accountability for Local Councils : a Practitioner's Guide"

Important note: These figures have been prepared on a RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS basis.

Box No.	Description	31/03/2025 £	31/03/2026 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
1	Balances brought fwd	68736.12	82886.88				BALANCE B/F AGREES
2	Annual precept	65896.00	68570.00	2674.00	4%	No	
3	Total other receipts	18527.00	47736.02	29209.02	158%	Yes	30874.39 CIL was paid in 20-25-2026 not in 2024-2025
4	Staff Costs	12365.73	13288.01	922.28	7%	No	
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	No	
6	Total other payments	57906.51	73666.66	15760.15	27%	Yes	5962.50 Planning Advisor for Broke Hill 2750 costs for Pavilion roof repair 1264.32 Scribe finance software
7	Balances carried forward	82886.88	112238.23	29351.35	35%	Yes	
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	82886.88	112238.23	29351.35	35%	Yes	
9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	287384.76	289969.34	2584.58	1%	No	
10	Total Borrowings	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	No	

This report is intended as a guide to the variances you may need to explain. The specific requirements vary between external auditors so please check the requirements shown on the pro forma provided to your council

Please note a breakdown of approved reserves will also be required if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept value (Box 2)