

Section 1 – Accounting statements 2014/15 for

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AXMOUTH PARISH

Council/Meeting

Readers should note that throughout this annual return references to a 'local council' or 'council' also relate to a parish meeting.

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2014 £	31 March 2015 £	
1 Balances brought forward	13518	14766	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2 (+) Annual precept	6426	8975	Total amount of precept received or receivable in the year. Excludes any grants received.
3 (+) Total other receipts	1275	4885	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept received (line 2). Include any grants received here.
4 (-) Staff costs	3388	4450	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include salaries and wages, PAYE and NI (employees and employers), pension contributions and employment expenses.
5 (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	NIL	NIL	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the council's borrowings (if any).
6 (-) All other payments	3065	7163	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7 (=) Balances carried forward	14766	17013	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) – (4+5+6)
8 Total cash and short term investments	14766	17013	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March - to agree with bank reconciliation.
9 Total fixed assets plus other long term investments and assets	17329	17671	The original Asset and Investment Register value of all fixed assets, plus other long term assets owned by the council as at 31 March
10 Total borrowings	NIL	NIL	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
11 Disclosure note Trust funds (including charitable)	yes ✓	no	The council acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing trust funds or assets. N.B. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any trust transactions.

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2015 the accounting statements in this annual return present fairly the financial position of the council and its income and expenditure, or properly present receipts and payments, as the case may be.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer

P. Dwyer

Date 15-04-2015

I confirm that these accounting statements were approved by the council on this date:

15-04-2015

and recorded as minute reference:

15-04-2015 9a

Signed by Chair of the meeting approving these accounting statements.

K. Jones

Date 15 Apr 2015

Section 3 – External auditor certificate and report 2014/15

Certificate

We certify that we have completed our review of the annual return, and discharged our responsibilities under the Audit Commission Act 1998 as transitionally saved, for the year ended 31 March 2015 in respect of:

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Respective responsibilities of the body and the auditor

The body is responsible for ensuring that its financial management is adequate and effective and that it has a sound system of internal control. The body prepares an annual return in accordance with proper practices which:

- summarises the accounting records for the year ended 31 March 2015; and
- confirms and provides assurance on those matters that are important to our audit responsibilities.

Our responsibility is to review the annual return in accordance with guidance issued by the Audit Commission (see note below). Our work does not constitute an audit carried out in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK & Ireland) and does not provide the same level of assurance that such an audit would do.

External auditor report

(~~Except for the matters reported below~~)* on the basis of our review of the annual return, in our opinion the information in the annual return is in accordance with proper practices and no matters have come to our attention giving cause for concern that relevant legislation and regulatory requirements have not been met. (*delete as appropriate).

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

Other matters not affecting our opinion which we draw to the attention of the council:

See attached

(continue on a separate sheet if required)

External auditor signature

Geraldine Daly

External auditor name

Geraldine Daly for Grant Thornton UK LLP

Date

25/8/2015

Note: The Audit Commission issued guidance in its Standing Guidance, which is applicable to external auditors' work on 2014/15 accounts.

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**Other matters not affecting our opinion which we wish to draw to the attention
of Axmouth Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2015**

Timing of internal audit

The council completed Section 2 of the Annual Return – the annual governance statement on 15 April 2015, and has responded "Yes" to assertion 6, confirming that the council has maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the council's accounting records and control systems.

Section 4, the independent internal auditor's report was completed by the internal auditor on 20 May 2015, 35 days after the council gave a positive response to assertion 6 on Section 2 of the Annual Return.

If the council gives a positive response to assertion 6, before the independent internal auditor has completed their report at Section 4; the council must be able to explain on what basis it was appropriate to give a positive response to the assertion that it has maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the council's accounting records and control systems.



for Grant Thornton UK LLP

Date 25/8/2015

Our ref DVN019