

**Church Lawton 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	31/03/2022 £	31/03/2023 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
1	Balances brought fwd	36234.16	42742.83				BALANCE B/F AGREES
2	Annual precept	21000.00	21450.00	450.00	2%	No	
3	Total other receipts	6244.50	2107.02	-4137.48	66%	Yes	The Council received a CIL payment of £4179.60 in 2021-2022 but only received £120 in total in 2022-2023.
4	Staff Costs	5877.24	6434.07	556.83	9%	No	
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	No	
6	Total other payments	14858.59	13636.09	-1222.50	8%	No	
7	Balances carried forward	42742.83	46229.69	3486.86	8%	No	
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	42742.83	46229.69	3486.86	8%	No	
9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	0.00	0.00	0.00	0%	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)