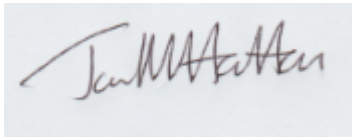


Assington Parish Council

The parish council is required to provide electors with the opportunity to inspect the accounts for a period of 30 days. Please find:

- A copy of the Annual Governance Statement
- A copy of the Accounting Statements
- Bank Reconciliation statement
- The statement detailing the exercise of public rights.

Please note that the Accounting Statements is unaudited and subject to change.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Jane Hatton', is centered on a light grey rectangular background.

Jane Hatton

Responsible Financial Officer

30th May 2018

Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement 2017/18

We acknowledge as the members of:

ASSINSTON PARISH COUNCIL

our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2018, that:

	Agreed		Yes' means that this authority:
	Yes	No	
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	✓		prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	✓		made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge.
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	✓		has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practices in doing so.
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	✓		during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	✓		considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	✓		arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.
7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	✓		responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	✓		disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.
9. (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes	No	N/A
			has met all of its responsibilities where it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.
			✓

This Annual Governance Statement is approved by this authority and recorded as minute reference:

21/05/2018

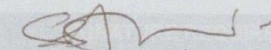
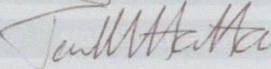
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Signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the meeting where approval is given:

Chairman

Clerk

Section 2 – Accounting Statements 2017/18 for

ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

	Year ending		Notes and guidance
	31 March 2017 £	31 March 2018 £	
1. Balances brought forward	10535	11019	Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records. <i>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.</i>
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	7568	7800	<i>Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.</i>
3. (+) Total other receipts	2680	4755	<i>Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.</i>
4. (-) Staff costs	2288	3370	<i>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.</i>
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	1573	1573	<i>Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).</i>
6. (-) All other payments	5903	3408	<i>Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).</i>
7. (=) Balances carried forward	11019	15223	<i>Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).</i>
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	11019	15223	<i>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.</i>
9. Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	21585	21585	<i>The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.</i>
10. Total borrowings	3079	1553	<i>The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).</i>
11. (For Local Councils Only) Disclosure note re Trust funds (including charitable)	Yes	No	<i>The Council acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.</i>
		✓	<i>N.B. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any Trust transactions.</i>

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2018 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return present fairly the financial position of this authority and its income and expenditure, or properly present receipts and payments, as the case may be.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer

Jan M. Hutton

Date 12/04/18

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

21/05/18

and recorded as minute reference:

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Signed by Chairman of the meeting where approval of the Accounting Statements is given

* *[Signature]* REQUIRED

ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Bank Reconciliation for Financial year ending 31st March 2018

Balances per Bank Statements as at 31st March

Barclays Community	£100.00	
Barclays Premium Account	<u>£16,881.40</u>	£16,981.40

Add any Unbanked Cash as at 31 March £0.00

Less Unpresented Cheques as at 31 March

783	£50.00	
784	£404.34	
785	£284.80	
786	£50.39	
787	£799.77	
788	£169.20	
	<u> </u>	£1,758.50

Total Cash £15,222.90

CASH BOOK

Opening Balance	£11,019.15
Add Receipts in the year	<u>£12,554.96</u>
	£23,574.11
Less Payments in the year	<u>£8,351.21</u>
Total Cash	<u><u>£15,222.90</u></u>

**CONFIRMATION OF THE DATES OF THE PERIOD FOR THE
EXERCISE OF PUBLIC RIGHTS**

Name of smaller authority: **Assington Parish Council**

County Area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Babergh District Council, Suffolk**

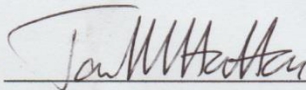
**On behalf of the smaller authority, I confirm that the dates set for the period for the
exercise of public rights are as follows:**

Commencing on **Monday 11th June 2018**

and ending on **Friday 20th July 2018**

(Please enter the dates set by the smaller authority as appropriate which **must** be 30 working days inclusive
and **must** include the first 10 working days of July 2018.
We have suggested the following dates: Monday 4 June – Friday 13 July 2018.
The latest possible dates that comply with the statutory requirements are Monday 2 July – Friday 10 August
2018.)

Signed: _____



Role: Clerk and RFO for Assington Parish Council

**PLEASE SUBMIT THIS FORM TO PKF LITTLEJOHN LLP WITH
THE AGAR AND OTHER REQUESTED DOCUMENTATION**

