

ANNUAL RETURN
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2026
Highley Parish Council Current Year

SECTION 2 - THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS

I certify that the accounts contained in this return present fairly the financial position of the council, are consistent with the underlying financial records and have been prepared on the basis of Receipts and Payments.

Responsible Financial Officer

[Signature]

Date 9th April '26

I confirm that these accounts are approved by the Council and recorded as council minute reference

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Dated 20/4/26

Signed on behalf of the above Council (Chair)

[Signature]

Date 20th April 26

General Notes for Guidance

	<u>Last Year £</u>	<u>This Year £</u>	
1 Balances brought forward	140,627	163,947	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of the previous year.
2 (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	144,107	149,870	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3 (+) Total other receipts	26,206	24,083	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4 (-) Staff costs	41,008	45,378	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5 (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6 (-) All other payments	105,985	130,063	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	163,947	162,459	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. [Must equal (1+2+3)-(4+5+6)]
8 Total value of cash and short term investments	163,947	162,459	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 long term investments and assets	0	0	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.
10 Total borrowings	0	0	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

The following documents should accompany the accounts when submitted to the auditor:

- * A brief explanation of significant variations from last year to this year in Section 2;
- * Bank Reconciliation as at 31 March

*significant variances @ £24,077 (22.72%)
 additional overheads inc staffing costs*