

# BUILDWAS PARISH COUNCIL

## Variance explanation of differences on 31.03.15 return and 31.03.16 annual return

### Box 2 – Precept

An increase of £1248 (28%). This was due to Council Tax Support Grant, worth £865 in 2014-15, not being handed to parishes in 2015-16. The balance of the increase was to meet other identified costs, such as funding a new pathway to the school. Please see attached 2015-16 budget which gives a full explanation for the precept required.

### Box 3 – Other receipts

A decrease of £2353 (73%), due to:

Variance	Year ending 31.03.15	Year ending 31.03.16	Difference	Explanation
VAT	255	625	370	Varies year on year
C Tax Grant	865	0	-865	Not passed to parishes by Shropshire Council in 2015/16
Parish Plan grant	100	0	-100	Grant for Parish Plan
Footpath grant	2000	0	-2000	Grant towards construction of footpath
Transparency Grant	0	242	242	Grant for compliance with Transparency Code
	<b>3220</b>	<b>867</b>	<b>-2353</b>	

### Box 4 – Staff costs

An increase of £247 (15%), due to the Clerk's hours being increased from 3 to 4 hours per week from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2016 to enable her to have time to meet the requirements of the Transparency Code.

### Box 6 – All other payments

An increase of £2770 (101%), due to:

Variance	Year ending 31.03.15	Year ending 31.03.16	Difference	Explanation
Expenses, misc. Admin	264	353	89	2015-16 includes training and costs of new office equipment

Subs	135	179	44	Increase in SALC subs and council now ICO registered
Insurance	314	265	-49	More competitive quote obtained
Audit	50	50	0	
Room hire	165	0	-165	2015-16 hire not yet billed
Playground grass cutting	779	779	0	
Playground maintenance	213	70	-143	Varies depending on repairs needed
Street lighting	490	725	235	Varies depending on maintenance needed
VAT	129	612	483	
Elections	100	0	-100	2014-15 - recharge of 2013 elections
Pathway to school	0	2480	2480	One off project
Other	104	0	-104	£100, payback of unused Parish Plan grant, £4.24 office equipment
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2743</b>	<b>5513</b>	<b>2770</b>	

#### Box 8 – Reserves (balance carried forward)

A decrease of £857 (17%), as summarised in the table below. The main reason for the higher reserves in 2014-15 is that the council set aside a grant of £2000 for laying a new pathway to the school.

RESERVES	Balances	Contributions	Expenditure	Reserve balances
<b>Ringfenced</b>	<b>31/03/2015</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2015-16</b>	<b>2015-16</b>
Elections	0.00	100.00	0.00	100.00
Computer equipment	0.00	50.00	50.00	0.00
Street lights	0.00	209.95	0.00	209.95
Playground reserve	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Transparency Code	0.00	242.00	150.09	91.91
<b>Total Ringfenced</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>359.95</b>	<b>200.09</b>	<b>401.86</b>
<b>Non-Ringfenced</b>	<b>5061.54</b>			<b>3,802.15</b>

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