

Review of compliance with the Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities

March 2017

The Transparency Code came into force in March 2015. With the closure of the Audit Commission and smaller authorities no longer being required to be externally audited (after 2016/17) the Transparency Code ensures that smaller authorities publish online certain information to ensure complete transparency with their electorate. This report details how the Parish Council complies with the Code.

Items to be published (Transparency Code Part 2 paragraph 10)

a. all items of expenditure above £100	All items of expenditure are detailed on agendas and in minutes both of which are published on the website: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/current-agendas-and-minutes/ in addition, at the end of the financial year, a full list of payments and receipts is published under Financial Documentation: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/policy-documents/financial-documentation/
b. end of year accounts	This is part of the Annual Return which is published on the website under Financial Documentation: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/policy-documents/financial-documentation/ For 2016-17 onwards we will also publish the Annual Accounts as published by the accounting software and as presented to Parish Council in May.
c. annual governance statement	This is part of the Annual Return which is published on the website under Financial Documentation: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/policy-documents/financial-documentation/
d. internal audit report	This is part of the Annual Return which is published on the website under Financial Documentation: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/policy-documents/financial-documentation/ From 2016-17 onwards we will also publish the report undertaken by the Internal Auditor on his visit.
e. list of councillor or member responsibilities	Councillors' names and roles listed on the website under Councillors and Clerk: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/councillors-and-clerk/
f. the details of public land and building assets	Not relevant as the Parish Council does not own any land or buildings, however the full Asset Register is published on the website under Financial Documentation: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/policy-documents/financial-documentation/
g. Minutes, agendas and meeting papers of formal meetings	Published on the website under Minutes and Current Agendas: http://hintonblewettpc.co.uk/parish-council/current-agendas-and-minutes/

The full Transparency Code can be viewed online: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/local-government-transparency-code-2015>