

Nuneham Courtenay Parish Council



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Annual Governance Statement 2023-24

1. A parish council must publish an explanation if it answers “No” to any of the nine assertions in the Annual Governance Statement.
2. The publication “Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England” sets out what a parish council must do in our order to be able to answer “Yes” to each assertion.
3. You can view the March 2023 edition of the publication here, which applied to the financial year 2023-24: https://saaa.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2023/06/PractitionersGuide_2023.pdf
4. This Council has answered “No” to Assertion 4 which reads: “We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.”
5. The law says a parish council must provide a period of 30 working days in which any member of the public can inspect the council’s accounts and supporting records. And it says this period must include the first 10 working days of July.
6. In 2023 this Council was late in providing the period of 30 working days: it did not begin until 26th July 2023. This was because the Council did not meet until 18th July 2023 to consider the report of the Internal Auditor and approve the Accounting Statements for 2022-23.

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