BOURTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Annual Audit for the Year Ending 31 March 2018 - Significant Variances from Last Year

This serves to explain the variances from last year.

Receipts

The precept remained the same at £3500.00 but, because the grant from VWHDC was decreased from £85.00 to £37.00, we increased our precept by a similar amount to compensate.

Receipts were higher than last year (by around £1369.00) because we received a grant of £1288.70 from OALC for the website set-up and we also received a VAT refund of £80.56.

Payments - total difference increased by £901

Staff costs for the Clerk were very similar to last year but administrative costs rose by £132.00 which was mainly as a result of having to pay a new internal auditor.

The Parish Council also had to pay for the new website provision and training which amounted to £714.00. Subscriptions rose by £113.00 because the subscription to OALC which had not been paid in the previous year (due to timing differences had been paid twice the year before) was now regularised and one subscription was paid in April 2017.

Village maintenance costs were also higher by around £120.00 as our handyman was able to offer more hours working in the village and we purchased weedkiller at a cost of £66.20.

These increases were offset by the contribution of £200.00 made towards the safety speed gun in the previous year.

Maggie Brown Clerk to Bourton Parish Council