

HOGHTON PARISH COUNCIL SIGNIFICANT VARIATIONS 2014/15.

Box no 1	This Year (£)	Last Year	Diff (£)	Diff (%)	Explain	Explanation	Amount
INCOME							
Brought forward	3378	4171	- 793	- 19%	Y	The decrease in balances came about due to higher insurance premiums and increases in salary payments, apportioned stationery charges, costs of website start up, repairs to bus shelter, benches refurbishment, supply of regulatory notices on the notice boards, increased grass cutting and the introduction of a war memorial maintenance contract, increases in grants . There were no audit fees and there was a reduction in the	-793

						cost of the Wreath for Remembrance Day.	
Box no 2	This Year	Last Year	Diff (£)	Diff (%)	Explain	Explanation	Amount
Precept	4833	5000	-167	-3%	y	Last year 2014 I included the grant element of the precept (£167) in the box I have amended the Accounting Statement to reflect this.	-167
Box no 3	This Year	Last Year	Diff (£)	Diff (%)	Explain	Explanation	Amount
Total Other Receipts	264	336	-72	-22%	y	Reduced VAT Claim	-72
Box no 4	This Year	Last Year	Diff (£)	Diff (%)	Explain	Explanation	Amount
	(£)						
Staff Costs	1887	1637	+250	+15%	Y	Salary increase of £200 per annum plus increases in postal charges.	+ 250

Box no 7	This Year	Last Year	Diff (£)	Diff (%)	Explain	Explanation	Amount
	(£)						

EXPENDITURE							
Pinfold	300	276	+ 24	+9%	Y	This year the grass cutting contract was £300.00 .	+24
Benches Tidy	100	NA	NA	NA	Y	Arrangements were made for the grassed areas round the benches to be strimmed on a regular basis.	+100
War Memorial	150.	NIL	NA	NA	Y	The Parish Council agreed a regular maintenance contract with a local contractor	+150
Benches Refurbishment	948	NIL	NA	NA	Y	The Parish Council is responsible for a number of benches All of which were in various stages of disrepair . Arrangements were made for them to be refurbished .	+948
Grants	350	225	+125	+ 40.%	Y	This year increased grants to Houghton Parish Church Magazine and Brindle St. Joseph`s Church magazine towards the costs of including the Parish Council newsletter in these publications. Plus a one off grant to Brindle St. Josephs Parish Hall under Section 137.	+125

Stationery Costs	220	212	+8	+4%	Y	The Parish Council has an agreement with the neighbouring Brindle Parish Council (of which I am also the Clerk) for them to reimburse a proportion of the stationery costs incurred by them. There were increased print cartridge costs. An amount of £220 was paid to Brindle Parish Council.	+45
Notice Boards	77	NIL	+77	NA	Y	The Parish Council accepted an offer free of charge from a local social care company to keep the notice boards tidy .Plastic Regulatory Notices were provided relating to the prohibition of certain notices and the procedure for the removal of long standing notices.	+77