

Astley Parish Council
Annual Governance and Accountability Return (AGAR) 2023/24 Part 2
Explanation of Variances on 2022/23

	Year Ending		Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance	
	31/03/2023	31/03/2024				
2	Precept or Rates and Levies	£ 7,155.00	£ 7,155.00	£ -	0.00%	
3	Total other receipts	£ 46.00	£ -	-£ 46.00	-100.00%	VAT refund in 2022/23 but no VAT reclaim done yet for 2023/24.
4	Staff Costs	£ 4,005.00	£ 5,417.00	£ 1,412.00	35.26%	NJC national pay rise in April 2023 plus new clerk paid for 6 hours per week instead of the previous 5 hours per week.
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	£ -	£ -	£ -	0.00%	
6	All other payments	£ 2,059.00	£ 2,018.00	-£ 41.00	-1.99%	Some costs had increased (e.g. street lighting, SALC affiliation fees) and others had reduced (e.g. audit fee, training) but overall payments were similar to previous financial year.
9	Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	£ 15,641.00	£ 15,341.00	-£ 300.00	-1.92%	Clerk's broken laptop disposed of and not replaced.
10	Total borrowings	£ -	£ -	£ -	0.00%	