

COLTON PARISH COUNCIL: ANNUAL AUDIT for FY 2015-2016

STATEMENT OF VARIATION

Box No.	This Yr ⁽¹⁾ (£)	Last Yr ⁽²⁾ (£)	Diff ⁽³⁾ (£)	Diff ⁽⁴⁾ (%)±	Explain if (3) >£100 & (4) >10% Y or N	Explanation	Amount
2) Precept	12080	10986	1094	+ 10%	Y	An assessment of budget against running costs for the Council had found that the existing precept was insufficient to cover these, particularly in view of the withdrawal of grant funding for the popular Lengthsman scheme. The Lengthsman had also been awarded a 7% pay increase (after a number of years with no increase) which matched rates for similar work in other local areas.	£1094
3) Other Receipts	2326	4187	-1861	-44%	Y	<p align="right">Council Tax support grant difference: + £ 33</p> <p align="right">VAT return difference (2 years received during 2014/15): - £ 941</p> <p align="right">Lengthsman support grant difference (no grant in 15/16): - £ 97</p> <p align="right">Defibrillator community fund-raising in 14/15: - £ 185</p> <p align="right">Diff. in grants from National Park for Rusland Horizons HLF project: -£ 500</p> <p align="right">Grant from County for Highways project in 14/15: -£ 400</p> <p align="right">Community Plan production grant (part payment): +£ 248</p> <p align="right">Share of travel expenses from neighbouring Parish Council: -£ 19</p> <p align="right">Balance: - £1861</p>	
4) Staff Costs	5670	5351	319	+ 6%	N		
6) Total Other payments	7807	9659	-1849	-19%	Y	<p>Key factors explaining payments variation:</p> <p align="right">Community Plan design, production and launch costs in 15/16: +£1005</p> <p align="right">Notice-boards replacement and repairs difference: -£ 491</p> <p align="right">Lengthsman service: +£ 213</p> <p align="right">Defibrillator bought in 2014/15: -£1775</p> <p align="right">Difference in grant payments for Rusland Horizons HLF project (100% grant) -£ 500</p> <p align="right">Bouth Village Green maintenance differences in costs: -£ 131</p> <p align="right">Balance of difference in other misc. expenses and costs: -£ 170</p> <p align="right">Balance: -£1849</p>	
9) Assets	8600	8320	280	+ 3%	N		

(3) Column(1) - Column(2)

(4) Column(1) - Column(2) / Column(2) as %