AGAR 2025/26

Annual Governance Statements

Name of Authority: Botley Parish Council

Web address: https://botley-pc.gov.uk/

We acknowledge, as the members of the above authority, our responsibility for ensuring that there is a sound system of internal control, including arrangements for the preparation of the Accounting Statements. We confirm, to the best of our knowledge and belief, with respect to the Accounting Statements for the year ended 31 March 2026, that:

We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	Yes
We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	Yes
We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	Yes
We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	No
We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	Yes
We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	Yes
We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	Yes
We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, occurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	Yes
Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	Yes
We have put in place arrangements for the effective IT and data management in accordance with proper practices during the year under review.	Yes

For any statement to which the response is 'no', an explanation follows on the next page.

This Annual Governance Statement was approved at a meeting of the authority on:

On this date	As recorded in minute reference
16th June 2026	FC/26/26 (vii)

Signed by the Chair and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given:

Signed by Chair	Signed by Clerk
REDACTED	REDACTED

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Explanation for any assertion to which the response was 'No'

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(4) We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	It will be signed off on 16th June and then adequate exercise of elector's rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.

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Accounting Statements

Name of Authority: Botley Parish Council

Key	**Year ending 31 March 2025**	**Year ending 31 March 2026**
Balances brought forward	£737,333	£867,647
Precept	£382,751	£441,429
Total other receipts	£294,008	£438,189
Staff Costs	£206,617	£370,714
Loan interest/capital repayments	£3,135	£0
All other payments	£336,693	£369,916
Balances carried forward	£867,647	£1,006,635
Total value of cash and short term investments	£881,865	£996,998
Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	£5,728,554	£5,754,541
Total borrowings	£0	£0

*The figures in bold above are restated

I certify that for the year ended 31 March 2026 the Accounting Statements in this Annual Governance and Accountability Return have been prepared on either a receipts and payments or income and expenditure basis following the guidance in Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities - a Practitioners' Guide to Proper Practices and present fairly the financial position of this authority.

Signed by Responsible Financial Officer before being presented to the authority for approval:

Signed by the Responsible Financial Officer	Date
REDACTED	16th June 2026

I confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:

On this date	As recorded in minute reference	Signed by Chair
16th June 2026	FC/26/26 (viii)	REDACTED

Do the figures in the accounting statements above exclude any Trust transactions?	No
If your council's declaration in respect of trust funds has changed from the prior year, please provide an explanation for this change	Incorrectly ticked N/A last year

Restated figures

Do you need to restate figures from your previous years annual statements?	No
Please give full details why any figure needs to be restated	