CHURCH ASTON PARISH COUNCIL

Explanation of Significant Variances in the Accounting Statements – Section 1

| Section 1 | 2013/14 (£) | 2014/15 (£) | Variance (+/-) (£) | Detailed Explanation of Variances |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------------|--|
| Box 2 Precept | 17,800 | 17,235 | -565 | Council decision to reduce the precept in 2014/15 compared to that for 2013/14 |
| Box 3 | | | | |
| Other income | 1,145 | 1,708 | +563 | Other income includes a community grant of £500 from the borough council in 2014/15. The balance is made up from a slight increase in VAT recovery. |
| Box 4 Staff Costs | 4,909 | 4,136 | -773 | Reduction in staff costs due to new (replacement) Clerk appointed in Oct 2013 on lower salary grade to previous Clerk |
| Box 5 Loan / interest capital | Nil | Nil | Nil | CAPC does not have loans or other borrowings |
| Box 6 Other payments | 10,703 | 18,819 | +8,116 | Variance arises from multiple projects: purchase of planters: £4,450; construction of planter bases, distribution of planters & filling with compost: £680.00; watering & plants: £1,050; Refurb Brocton Memorial: £400; Maintenance of Village Hall Car park: £500; Churchyard Projects: 400.00; Increase in S137 Grants £1,000; Off-set by a T&WC grant for £500 |
| Box 7 Balances Carried Forward | 26,566 | 22,553 | -4,013 | Balances reduced reflecting a programme of 'Parish Projects' and in line with External Auditor comments for Annual Accounts 2013/14 |
| Box 9 Fixed assets & long-term assets | 4,484 | 8,934 | +4,450 | The figure quoted (£4,158) in the Annual Return for 2013/14 did not include valuations for a laptop at £325 or a nominal valuation of £1 previously applied to parish council owned street lights. An adjusted figure for 2013/14 is provided at £4,484. In 2014/15 CAPC purchased 7 no. planters at a cost of £4,450 |
| Box 10 Total Borrowing | Nil | Nil | Nil | CAPC does not have loans or other borrowings |