



Explanation for 'No' answers on the Annual Governance Report 2022/2023

- 5. In the transition from the retirement of the former Clerk and the recruitment of the new Clerk, this was overlooked.
- 7. Item 5 in last year's report was incorrect and the omission of a risk review was overlooked per the comments above.

The three-month gap at a critical time of the year between the retirement of the former, very experienced Clerk and the recruitment of the very inexperienced new Clerk led to a shortfall in the review and updating of several policy documents as well as the annual risk assessments. At the May AGM, an undertaking was given to the Council that a Work Plan would be compiled in July which would include this essential work over the civic calendar year.

Explanation for the change in the value of the Council's Assets in 2021/22 and 2022/23

The old Village Hall was not removed from the asset list despite its sale to a local organisation independent of the Council. The original recorded value of £22,000 was removed from Section 9 in both the 2021/22 and 2022/23 and initialled by the Locum RFO, noting that the 2022/23 figure had been increased by the £2,325 value of the new Coronation benches.