

Section 1 - Annual Governance Statement 2022/23

We acknowledge as the members of

GREAT TEY PARISH COUNCIL

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 2023, that:

	Answer			We explain our the authority
	Yes	No	N/A	
1. We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements.	YES			prepared its accounting statements in accordance with the Accounts and Audit Regulations.
2. We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	YES			made proper arrangements and accepted responsibility for safeguarding the public money and resources in its charge
3. We took all reasonable steps to ensure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practice that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of the authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	YES			has only done what it has the legal power to do and has complied with Proper Practice in doing so
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of statutory rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	YES			during the year gave of persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about the authority's accounts
5. 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			considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly
6. We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	YES			arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of the smaller authority
7. We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	YES			responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit
8. 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			disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events occurring after the year end if relevant
9. For each financial year, I took steps including checks, to see reports on the role managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the financial year, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit.	YES			has met all of its responsibilities which as a body concerned, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts

Please provide explanations to the external auditor on a separate sheet for each 'No' response and describe how the authority will address the weaknesses identified. These sheets must be published with the Annual Governance Statement.

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

09/05/2023

and recorded as minute reference:

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Signed by the Chairman and Clerk of the meeting where approval was given

Chairman *Wills/pt*

Clerk *[Signature]*