

WESTON ON THE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

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Explanation of 'No' response in Section 1: Annual Governance Statement and Internal Audit report

1. Internal Audit Report - Explanation of 'No' Tick under Objective C:

Weston on the Green Parish Council reviewed the internal audit arrangements following the internal audit report received in May 2026 from the internal auditor – Albry Audits.

The auditor highlighted that Objective O had not been met and ticked 'No':

'The authority has complied with laws, regulations and proper practices relating to digital and data compliance'.

The auditor highlighted that the Website does not meet requirements to be Web Content Accessibility Guidelines 2.2 AA compliant.

Weston on the Green Parish Council implemented a new website with a new provider on 29th April 2026, which meets the compliance requirements. However, this was outside of the audit year to 31st March 2026 and therefore the Council was not compliant with Assertion 10 in the audit timeframe.

As the website was not compliant during the audit review year, it was recommended that Assertion 10 be ticked 'No' and an explanation report would therefore be sent to the External Auditor.

With the transfer to a new website provider on 29th April 2026 the Councillors also now have their own Council specific email addresses.

The Parish Council reviewed the internal audit report at 3rd June 2026 Parish Council meeting (Minute Reference: 26.437.13) and provided feedback comments to the Council for each item.

The following objectives were *not covered/applicable*:

F – no cash is handled by the Parish Council and no payments are carried out in cash

K – the authority had a limited assurance review of its 2024/25 AGAR

P – the Parish Council is not a trustee

2. Annual Governance Statement 2025/26- Section 1: Explanation of 'No' Tick under statement 10:

On reviewing the internal auditors comments the Council noted that the Parish Council did not have in place effective IT and data management arrangements during the audit year to 31st March 2026, therefore statement 10 was ticked as a 'No'. *Parish Council Meeting Approval: 3rd June 2026, Minute Reference: 26.437.14.*

'We have put in place arrangements for the effective IT and data management in accordance with proper practices during the year under review'.

A new website provider and email service was launched on 29th April 2026 so the Council is now compliant with Assertion 10.

The Parish Council confirm that all controls and reviews are now in place to support the statements within the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) going forwards for audit year 2026-27.