

Explanation of Box 4 – Annual Governance Statement 2023-24

Ringstead Parish Council published its Notice of Public Rights and Publication of Unaudited Annual Governance & Accountability Return on the 1 July 2022 which was one day late.

Final External Auditor Report and Certificate 2021/22 in respect of Great Ringstead Parish Council – NO0190

“We note that the smaller authority did not comply with Regulation 15 of the Accounts and Audit Regulations 2015 as it failed to make proper provision during the year 2022/23 for the exercise of public rights, since the approval date was after the start of the period for the exercise of public rights. As a result, the smaller authority must answer ‘No’ to Assertion 4 of the Annual Governance Statement for 2022/23 and ensure that it makes proper provision for the exercise of public rights during 2023/24.”