

**ANNUAL RETURN**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 MARCH 2024**  
**Berwick upon Tweed Town Council Current Year**

**SECTION 2 - THE STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS**

I certify that the accounts contained in this return present fairly the financial position of the council, are consistent with the underlying financial records and have been prepared on the basis of Income and Expenditure.

Responsible Financial Officer

Date

I confirm that these accounts are approved by the Council and recorded as council minute reference

Dated

Signed on behalf of the above Council (Chair)

Date

		<u>Last Year £</u>	<u>This Year £</u>	<u>General Notes for Guidance</u>
<b>1</b>	Balances brought forward	<b>540,552</b>	<b>287,144</b>	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of the previous year.
<b>2</b>	(+) Precept or Rates and Levies	<b>269,581</b>	<b>346,963</b>	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
<b>3</b>	(+) Total other receipts	<b>148,965</b>	<b>164,345</b>	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
<b>4</b>	(-) Staff costs	<b>189,390</b>	<b>227,851</b>	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
<b>5</b>	(-) Loan interest/capital repayments	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
<b>6</b>	(-) All other payments	<b>482,564</b>	<b>255,686</b>	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cashbook less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
<b>7</b>	(=) Balances carried forward	<b>287,144</b>	<b>314,915</b>	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. [Must equal (1+2+3)-(4+5+6)]
<b>8</b>	Total value of cash and short term investments	<b>318,823</b>	<b>340,637</b>	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
<b>9</b>	Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	<b>1,103,410</b>	<b>1,160,930</b>	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
<b>10</b>	Total borrowings	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).

The following documents should accompany the accounts when submitted to the auditor:

- \* A brief explanation of significant variations from last year to this year in Section 2;
- \* Bank Reconciliation as at 31 March