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**Broughton Astley Parish Council
Audit Report for the year ended 31 March 2014**

**Other matters not affecting our opinion which we wish to draw to the attention
of Broughton Astley Parish Council for the year ended 31 March 2014
Accounting for Fixed Assets**

Box 9 of Section 1 of the Annual Return – the Accounting Statements, includes fixed assets that have been re-valued.

Local councils are required to account for fixed assets at purchase cost. If this is not known a proxy cost should be substituted (e.g. insurance value).

Commercial concepts of depreciation or impairment adjustments, etc. are not appropriate for local councils. For reporting purposes therefore, the 'book' value of fixed assets will usually therefore stay constant until disposal. Where insurance value has been used as a proxy, it should not be adjusted for annual changes.

Guidance on accounting for fixed assets is available in the NALC / SLCC publication Governance and Accountability for Local Councils – A Practitioners Guide.

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