

Transparency Code

Overview

Rivington Parish Council is subject to the Transparency code for Smaller Authorities as its turnover does not exceed £25,000.00 per annum.

The Local Government Transparency Code 2015 ('the Code') came into effect on 1 April 2015. The Code is issued by the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government in exercise of powers under section 2 of the Local Government, Planning and Land Act 1980, and replaces any previous codes issued in relation to authorities in England under those powers.

The Code does not replace or supersede the existing framework for access to and re-use of public sector information provided by the:

- Freedom of Information Act 2000 (as amended by the Protection of Freedoms Act 2012)
- Environmental Information Regulations 2004
- Re-use of Public Sector Information Regulations 2005
- Infrastructure for Spatial Information in the European Community regulations 2009
- Sections 25 and 26 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014 which provides rights for persons to inspect a local authority's accounting records and supporting documentation, and to make copies of them.

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Rivington Parish Council complies with the Code where applicable, by publishing the required information on its website and village notice board where appropriate.

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Information to be published annually:

- **All items of expenditure above £100**
- **End of year accounts**
- **Annual governance statement**
- **Internal audit report**
- **List of councillor responsibilities**
- **Details of public land and building assets**

Information to be published more frequently than annually:

- **Minutes, agendas and meeting papers of formal meetings**