

## Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Stanton Lacy Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all **Blue highlighted boxes**

Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following that will be flagged in the green boxes where relevant:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- **New from 2025/26 onwards:** variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £6,500,000

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	6,776	7,076				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	4,677	5,171	494	10.56%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	590	4,708	4,118	697.97%	YES		£3,846 grant from Access to Work
4 Staff Costs	2,339	2,457	118	5.04%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,628	4,195	1,567	59.63%	YES		£660 on defibrillator maintenance, bank, email fees, £309 Neighbourhood Fund Expend
7 Balances Carried Forward	7,076	10,303				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	7,076	10,303				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	2,595	4,936	2,341	90.21%	YES		1 Roger clip on mic £233.39 £234 26/2/26 2 Roger Tables mics £2,108.49
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable