

TOLLER PORCORUM PARISH COUNCIL

Annual Return - Section 2: Statement of Accounts | 10 April 2026

Explanation of Variances

This is prepared based on the information in "Practitioners' Guide 2025, Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England".

Important note: these figures have been prepared on a RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS basis.

Spending that has changed by more than 15% and £200 since the previous financial year requires an explanation.

Box No.	Description	Year ending 31/03/2025	Year ending 31/03/2026	Explanation
1	Balances brought forward	£13,032.13	£13,193.16	n/a
2	Annual precept	£7,750.00	£9,850.00	Budget increased to incorporate clerk signing up to pension scheme, building reserves for the Recreation Ground, increase in amount of grass cutting at the Recreation Ground and estimated costs for grit bin refills.
3	Total other receipts	£917.18	£589.48	Savings account interest reduced from 1% to 0.4% throughout year, VAT reclaimed for 2023/24 entered bank account in 2024/25 and was higher than usual due to Gates Project and solicitor fees for transfer of Recreation Ground.
4	Staff costs	£2,205.92	£3,453.99	Clerk signed up to pension scheme, was awarded 1 pay scale increase at annual appraisal and another 2 on achievement of CiLCA qualification. Clerk was employed for 11 months in 2024/25 and hours were increased from 3 to 4 a week in November 2024.
5	Loan interest/capital repayment	£0.00	£0.00	n/a
6	All other payments	£6,300.23	£4945.52	High training costs in 2024/25 due to new councillors and fees for clerk's qualifications. Finance support from previous clerk in 2024/25 was not repeated.

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7	Balances carried forward	£13,193.16	£15,233.13	n/a
8	Total cash and short-term investment	£13,193.16	£15,233.13	n/a
9	Total fixed assets and long-term investments	£7,188.85	£7,313.02	n/a
10	Total borrowings	£0.00	£0.00	n/a