

Statement of Variances - Year ended 31 March 2025

Instructions for completing this template:

1. Enter figures per the AGAR in the cells highlighted in light blue. This will automatically calculate a percentage change between years.
2. If the variance is within 15%, no explanation is required. However, if it is outside this threshold, the percentage difference will highlight in yellow and an explanation is required.
3. Explanations should be entered in each section, quantified to show the figures for each year. This will automatically calculate the remaining difference and the percentage unexplained.
4. Once a sufficient explanation has been given to bring the percentage within 15% between years, the percentage difference cell will highlight as 'green' in the 'adjusted' line.

Please note that for fixed assets, regardless of the percentage change in the figure, an explanation is required for the movement.

Item	2023-24	2024-25	Difference	%	Additional comments / explanations
Box 2: Precept or Rates and levies	71,829.00	69,856.00	- 1,973.00	-2.7%	
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Box 2: Precept or Rates and levies (adjusted)			- 1,973.00	-2.7%	No further explanation needed
Box 3: Total other receipts	203,833.00	10,134.73	- 193,698.27	-95.0%	
			-		S106 Minibus Grant + S106 repairs = £191506 Which were one off receipts in 23/4 and not repeated. £1869 from devolved maintenance not received 24/5. £433 reduction in allotment income. £909 reduction in Jan VAT. £4093 VAT not received @31/3/25. - (£3946 = new grants. £660 minibus contributions £473 = additional interest on savings). (Total = £193791)
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Box 3: Total other receipts (adjusted)			- 193,698.27	-95.0%	Further explanation needed
Box 4: Staff costs	20,364.00	34,579.00	14,215.00	69.8%	
			-		Additional staff member £10455, £1531 increase in Clerks salary as per NALC, £2086 increase in PAYE due to new staff member. £679 increase in Litter Pickers salary (Total: £14751)
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Box 4: Staff costs (adjusted)			14,215.00	69.8%	Further explanation needed
Box 5: Loan interest/capital repayments	10,448.00	5,224.00	- 5,224.00	-50.0%	
			-		Loan finished. 1 final installment paid in 24/5
Box 5: Loan interest/capital repayments (adjusted)			- 5,224.00	-50.0%	Further explanation needed
Box 6: Other payments	126,306.00	67,932.61	- 58,373.39	-46.2%	
			-		Funded projects reduced by £65473 as initial payments made in 23/4. Play equipment purchased reduced by £9788, election/payroll costs reduced by £871 as no election, allotments reduced by £395 as water leak fixed. Increased costs for 24/5 include: Audit £457, subs & training = £2029 as Scribe purchased, £15123 increase in special projects (please see below for full breakdown)
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Box 6: Other payments (adjusted)			- 58,373.39	-46.2%	Further explanation needed
Box 9: Fixed assets plus long-term investm	166,815.00	173,810.00	6,995.00	4.2%	
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Box 9: Fixed assets plus long-term investments (adjusted)			6,995.00	4.2%	No further explanation needed
Box 10: Total borrowings	5,182.00		- 5,182.00	-100.0%	
			-		Final loan repayment made in 24/5
Box 10: Total borrowings (adjusted)			- 5,182.00	-100.0%	Further explanation needed

Councillor expenses	2023-24	2024-25	Difference
Audit	1038.6	1496	457.4
Election/Payroll costs	990.73	120	-870.73
Admin	872.11	840	-32.11
Subs/ training	1357.66	3386.87	2029.21
Insurance	1358.94	1468.76	109.82
Allotments	1586.75	1191.3	-395.45
Street lighting	680.71	694.52	13.81
CCTV	339.6	474.66	135.06
Grounds Maint/Urban Cut	6734.28	7008.48	274.2
Rec	10911.54	1123.1	-9788.44
Donations	0	120	120
Funded Projects - Minibus/Youth Worker/Education	88923.14	23450.87	-65472.27
Special Projects	8570.78	23693.6	15122.82
			-58296.68