

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

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. DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	32,409	28,392				required - Balance brought forward does not agree, query this	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	23,000	23,783	783	3.40%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	59,392	32,080	-27,312	45.99%	YES		2024/25 Two grants received for Refurbishment of Hinderwell Playpark. 1: UKSPF £20,000 2: BOULBY 106 Funding £6,350.
4 Staff Costs	25,054	23,977	-1,077	4.30%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	60,354	23,312	-37,042	61.37%	YES		2024/25 £29,575 was spent on refurbishment of Hinderwell Play Park
7 Balances Carried Forward	29,393	37,966				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	29,392	37,966				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	83,324	25,534	-58,390	69.57%	YES		Since dissolution of Scarborough Borough Council, Hinderwell Parish Council are no longer responsible for the insurance and maintenance of 4 x bus shelters and 55 Parish seats. These are now the responsibility of our higher authority North Yorkshire Council
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable