

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Bridford Parish Council**

County area (local councils and **Devon**)

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);

• **New from 2020/21 onwards**: variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;

	2024/5 £	2025/6 £	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	13,951	16,418				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	12,220	13,442	1,222	10.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	3,427	1,188	-2,239	65.33%	YES	No Locality funding from Devon County Council received this year (was £2219 previous year) Clothing bank returns also down as value of fabric has fallen	
4 Staff Costs	6,884	8,238	1,354	19.67%	YES	Clerk's contracted hours increased in August 2024 so salary increased too to bring hours worked inline with national standards for a parish this size and new for this year were Clerk's NI and Pension costs on top	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	6,296	7,337	1,041	16.53%	YES	Repairs to bus shelter. New laptop purchased for Clerk as old one beyond repair. Increased costs of services and subscriptions across the board.	
7 Balances Carried Forward	16,418	15,473				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	16,418	15,474				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	57,548	57,548	0	0.00%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable