

**Explanation of variances – pro forma**

Name of smaller authority: Amber Hill Parish Council  
 County area (local councils and Lincolnshire

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	8,701	8,639					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,750	3,914	164	4.37%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	397	1,989	1,592	401.01%	YES		BostonBorough cllr grant £1000 £932 Playing field grant towards works. No Vat Claims made 25/26 total VAT to claim £523.45
4 Staff Costs	1,380	1,211	-169	12.25%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,829	4,313	1,484	52.46%	YES		FALSE Playground repairs costing £2318
7 Balances Carried Forward	8,639	9,018				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	see bank reconciliation £24 outstanding uncashed cheque
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	9,135	9,040				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	2,489	2,589	100	4.05%	NO		Purchase - second hand Laptop computer sole use Amber Hill PC
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable

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