

Explanation of variances – pro forma

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

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Yorkshire**

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;

	2024/25 £	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	25,767	29,032				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	12,000	12,000	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	6,703	1,952	-4,751	70.88%	YES		VAT received increase +£111, grants decrease -£5400, bank interest increase +£16, other increase +£522. Total -£4751
4 Staff Costs	3,313	3,660	347	10.47%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	12,125	9,972	-2,153	17.76%	YES		Village plants decrease -£112, Xmas festival increase +£311, village improvements decrease -£3703, defib maintenance increase +£54, room hire increase +£108, grants/donations increase £1250, VAT paid decrease -£129, other increase £68. Total -£2153
7 Balances Carried Forward	29,032	29,352				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	29,032	29,032				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	10,383	10,383	0	0.00%	NO		Assets added in year - CCTV cameras £5839 and village sign £1200. Total £7039.
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable