

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Pateley Bridge Town Council
County area (local councils and North Yorkshire Council

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;

	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	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	53,934	52,194				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	31,500	35,000	3,500	FALSE	YES		
3 Total Other Receipts	15,537	47,526	31,989	205.89%	YES	See separate sheet/tab	
4 Staff Costs	19,606	18,387	-1,219	6.22%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	29,170	29,019	-151	0.52%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	52,194	87,314				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	52,194	87,314				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	70,334	72,056	1,722	2.45%	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

BOX 10 VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED IF CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY BOX 5 (CAPITAL PLUS INTEREST PAYMENT)

BOX 3 - Total Other Receipts - Variance Explanation

	<u>2023-24</u>	<u>2024-25</u>	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation
Garage rental	£455.00	£420.00	-£35.00	-7.69%	Not needed
Allotment Society re	£323.20	£331.93	£8.73	2.70%	Not needed
Ice cream concessic	£2,575.25	£2,575.25	£0.00	0.00%	Not needed
Wayleaves	£30.51	£30.63	£0.12	0.39%	Not needed
Bank interest	£304.98	£772.64	£467.66	153.34%	Interest rates have risen. Council opened new savings account 24-25
Grants received	£0.00	£300.00	£300.00		2024-25 Grant received for new defibrillator ffor village of Wilsill
Xmas Lights grants	£2,637.00	£2,725.75	£88.75	3.37%	Not needed
Civic Service incom	£452.00	£546.00	£94.00	20.80%	The number of tickets sold in 2024-25 for the Civic Service rose.
Parking Permits	£5,090.00	£9,810.71	£4,720.71	92.74%	Parking permits are money handled by PBTC on behalf of North Yorkshire Council. In 2023-24, parking permits were £10 each. In 2024-25, they rose to £14 each resulting in higher overall income. In addition, the council used card machines to sell parking permits for the 2025-26 season (at £15.40 each) on 2 days in late March 2025. This resulted in £2,609.91 of 2025-26 parking income coming in to our bank account ahead of the new financial year, so raising the 2024-25 figures significantly.
Miscellaneous	£1,330.05	£0.00	-£1,330.05	-100.00%	In 2023-24, Bewerley Parish Council refunded the Council for various items, including the cost of the handrails at the Recreation Ground (556.45), half the cost of having the caretaker empty the bins at the Recreation Ground (£389.00) and their share of the Coronation event costs/refund (384.60). No such activity was carried out in 2024-25 as they were all one-offs.
VAT Refund	£2,339.00	£3,235.51	£896.51	38.33%	Reflects rise in Council activity. More purchases were made in 2023-24 and VAT claimed back for in 2024-25
CIL	£0.00	£1,200.00	£1,200.00		2024-25 - Council received Community Infrastructure Levy money as a result of an approved planning application in the parish.
Mayor's Fund Incom	£0.00	£1,732.13	£1,732.13		Council held a Mayor's Fund fundraising event in 2024-25, but not in 2023-24
Sale of Land	£0.00	£23,855.00	£23,855.00		2024-25 Council sold some land to North Yorkshire Council to extend the cemetery for £23,855
SUB TOTAL	<u>£15,536.99</u>	<u>£47,535.55</u>			