

Explanation of variances – pro forma

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

County area (local councils and parishes): **Lancashire**

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;

	2022/23	2023/24	Variance	Variance	Explanation Required?	Explanation from smaller authority (<u>must include narrative and supporting figures</u>)
	£	£	£	%		
1 Balances Brought Forward	4,101	4,273				
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	2,300	2,300	0	0.00%	NO	
3 Total Other Receipts	839	9,874	9,035	1076.88%	YES	Extraordinary receipts in 2023/24 included: a) Neighbourhood Development Plan (NDP) grant funding. £8,394 b) Insurance claim for stolen litter bin £457 c) County Council 'Biodiversity Small Grants Funding' £300
4 Staff Costs	806	879	73	9.06%	NO	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	
6 All Other Payments	2,161	13,527	11,366	525.96%	YES	Extraordinary payments in 2023/24 included: a) Payments to NDP consultants. £8,428 b) Other NDP payments £498 c) Purchase of new bench and litter bins. £2,369
7 Balances Carried Forward	4,273	2,041				
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	4,273	2,041				
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and A	2,800	4,217	1,417	50.61%	YES	Additions during 2023/24 were: a) New bench £860 b) New litter bins (x2) £1,114 Disposals during 2023/24 were: a) One litter bin (stolen) -£557
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	