

Explanation of variances 2025/2026

Staverton Parish Council - Northamptonshire

Please provide **full explanations, including numerical values**, for the following:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- a breakdown of approved reserves if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

Section 2	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	£13,326	£14,658	£1,332	10%	N/A
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	£ 5,416	£ 40,146	£34,730	641%	CIL Money was received in error from WNC for 2025-26 for the sum of £33,178. This was repaid in April 2026. A Biodiversity Grant was also received in November 2025 for the sum of £1,520.
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	£4,557	£5,994	£ 1,437	32%	The Clerk had an annual appraisal in 2025/26 and this reflected an increase in the SCP rate, which was well below what it should have been, and was backdated to April 2025.
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	Nil	Nil			
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	£14,376	£ 13,397	£ 979	7%	N/A
Box 8 <i>Total value of cash and short term investments</i>	£26,367	£ 61,780	£35,413	134%	CIL Money was received in error from WNC for 2025-26 for the sum of £33,178. A Biodiversity Grant was also received in November 2025 for the sum of £1,520.
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	£65,678 RESTATE	£65,678	£55,265	46%	Following a review of the Asset Register and the purchase cost removed from assets which were gifted to the PC, this total was much reduced.
Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	Nil	Nil			

Explanation for 'high' reserves	N/A
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