

## Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Barlow Parish Council**  
 County area (local councils and North Yorkshire)

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)	
1 Balances Brought Forward	20,642	24,630					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	20,565	21,182	617	3.00%	0	NO	3% increase on precept
3 Total Other Receipts	73	2,063	1,990	2726.03%	1	YES	This year: VAT refund £1,047, CIL payment £942, Grass precept £59, Interest £15 Prior year: Grass precept £55, Interest £18
4 Staff Costs	6,064	7,118	1,054	17.38%	1	YES	New Village orderly position from June 2026 - £24.46 per week
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	0	NO	
6 All Other Payments	10,586	17,732	7,146	67.50%	1	YES	Audit fees £6,006 due to objection Additional £1,377 spent on harrowing & reseeding some land
7 Balances Carried Forward	24,630	23,025					
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	24,630	23,025					
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	101,260	100,732	-528	0.52%	0	NO	Disposal of old defibrillator, replacement purchased at lower cost
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	0	NO	