

Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Collingham with Linton Parish Council**
 County area (local councils and): **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);
- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- **New from 2025/26 onwards:** variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £6,500,000

	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)
1 Balances Brought Forward	201,890	219,292				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	50,000	54,000	4,000	8.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	163,382	26,588	-136,794	83.73%	YES		See separate folder
4 Staff Costs	16,435	19,503	3,068	18.67%	YES		Increase due to the following: The Clerk resigned 10 hours pw, the new clerk was appointed on term 10 hours pw, also resigned beginning of 2026. The PC then
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	19,587	0	-19,587	100.00%	YES		The PC paid off the loan in 2024/2025
6 All Other Payments	159,958	54,129	-105,829	66.16%	YES		The PC carried a lot of repairs in 2024/2025 in separate folder showing breakdown. . And the
7 Balances Carried Forward	219,292	226,248				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	219,292	226,248				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	457,356	447,920	-9,436	2.06%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Assertion 3 Total Other Receipts Explanation

	2024/2025	2025/2026
LCTSG	£842.00	£854.00
Vat	£17,051.78	£4,691.05
Interest on accounts	£3,582.54	£3,995.30
Rent	£10,507.32	£8,655.90
Grants	£6,519.00	£259.00
CiL	£124,878.70	£8,133.36
Totals	£163,381.34	£26,588.61

Assertion 6 all Other Payments Explanation

		2024/2025	2025/2026
Administration		5171.53	
	IT		1598.89
	Hardware allowance for councillor laptops etc		
	Telephone Contract		32.96
	Insurance		1425.49
	Subscriptions	1388.8	949.4
	Room Hire		650
	Training		2024.5
	Stationary		104.64
	Bank Charges		68.08
	Internal Audit Fees		495
	External Audit Fees		630
	Payroll Support		112
	Clerk expenses		566.87
Maintenance		28551.81	
	Contracted Grounds Maintenance		8716
	Reactive Grounds Maintenance		8199.41
	Tree Work		1870
	Play areas inspections		210
	Reactive Play areas		
	Summer Baskets		865.83
	Winter Baskets		145
	LCC Xmas Lights installation		2323
	Xmas lights & Scout Hut Electricity		
Grants and Donations		8374.66	
	Grants Scheme		8330
	Collingham Memorial Hall application		
	Linton Memorial Hall application		4332
Projects		100385.6	
25- 26	Development of Maintenance Plan		69.89
25-26	Footpath signage/ improvements		
25-26	Christmas Lights		4953.83
25- 26	Sustainability Agenda		
25-26	Parish Council Events		650.56
25- 26	Linton Phone Box refurbishment		700
	Totals		
VAT		16085.15	4085.6
General Reserves	Parish Council working reserve		20
	Totals	159957.55	54128.95

Summary Project Spend	2024 - 2025	
Beck Wood Environment Improvements	£29,171.50	
Jubilee Playground Area Improvements	£40,239.95	
Creation of Gateway Signage	£2,000.00	
Website Design	£1,525.00	
Xmas 2025	£8,620.00	
Station Lane Bridge Improvements	£6,660.00	
Fencing	£5,645.00	
coat of arms	1000	
Flowers	91.66	
Ginnel	5432.52	
Totals by year	£100,385.63	