

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Stonham Aspal Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Suffolk**

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	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	5500	5500	0	0	
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	3479	26446	22967	660%	The council received CIL payments totalling £26,429. There were no other grants and recycling credits fell into 2023/24
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	2287	2878	591	25%	Clerk's salary was reviewed in line with national pay scale in January 2022 and as this hadn't been done for two years payments were backdated to April 2021
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	12488	7615	4873	-39	The Parish Council made the following major purchases in 2021/2 New fence in recreation ground £3008, Speed Indicator Device £4230, Foot Path Resurfacing £2500 In 2022/3 lower value projects were undertaken, refurbishing village sign E1250 , contributing to a difibrilator £1151, jubilee events £1346, speed survey £410
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	45696	44554	1142	-2.5	Old fence value not removed from assett register in 2021/2
Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	
Explanation for 'high' reserves	The Parish Council has received a significant amount in CIL payments due to development and expansion of the village. There are currently projects under way looking at how this money can be spent to improve the infrastructure of the village				