

Explanation of variances – 2025-26

Name of smaller authority: **Stoney Middleton Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): _____

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>	14,061	15,467	1,406	10.00	
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	15,271	6,645	-8,626	56.49	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £10,818 in grants and donations was received in the previous 12 months of 2024/25. This was to fund refurbishment for it's public playground based at the playing fields.
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	5,967	5,879	-88	1.47	
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	NIL	NIL	N/A		
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	27,229	12,347	-14,882	54.65	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £17,737 was spent in the previous 12 months of 2024/25 to reburbish it's public playground based at the playing fields. • Allotments expenditure increased by £432, mainly due to a hotter dryer summer and increase in the use of water.
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	135,000	47,225	-87,775	65.02	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All the Village Assets have been restated
Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	NIL	NIL	N/A	N/A	