Amberley Parish Council

ANNUAL RETURN - Section 2 : Statement of Accounts

Explanation of variances

This is prepared based on information in "Governance and Accountability for Local Councils : a Practitioner's Guide"

Important note: These figures have been prepared on a RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS basis.

Box No.	Description	Last Year £	31/03/2026 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
1	Balances brought fwd	50293.00	24920.53				BALANCE B/F AGREES
2	Annual precept	36539.00	42066.00	5527.00	15%	Yes	2k legal costs re: employment issues 1k staff costs 2.5k to address reserves issues raised due to low GR
3	Total other receipts	11509.00	30897.60	19388.60	168%	Yes	16.5k Operation Watershed 2.7k CiL/S106 Bus shelter
4	Staff Costs	23555.00	21424.75	-2130.25	9%	No	
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	3637.00	3637.56	0.56	0%	No	
6	Total other payments	46228.00	47627.09	1399.09	3%	No	
7	Balances carried forward	24920.53	25194.73	274.20	1%	No	
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	24920.53	25194.73	274.20	1%	No	
9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	95461.00	95461.00	0.00	0%	No	
10	Total Borrowings	69680.00	67813.96	-1866.04	3%	No	

This report is intended as a guide to the variances you may need to explain. The specific requirements vary between external auditors so please check the requirements shown on the pro forma provided to your council

Please note a breakdown of approved reserves will also be required if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept value (Box 2)