

**Stoke Ferry 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	31/03/2022 £	31/03/2023 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
1	Balances brought fwd	40485	54510				BALANCE B/F AGREES
2	Annual precept	14806	14900	94	1%	No	
3	Total other receipts	19822	27657	7835	40%	Yes	Household support fund 21/22 = £10,000 22/23 = £19,300
4	Staff Costs	4767	4871	104	2%	No	
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	0	0%	No	
6	Total other payments	15836	60385	44549	281%	Yes	Household support fund 21/22 = £0 22/23 = £29,300 Election costs 21/22 = £0 22/23 = £2791 Grounds Main 21/22 = £1838 22/23 = £4360 Village events 21/22 = £323 22/23 = £3752 Cemetery work 21/22 =£ 0 22/23£1035 Playing field trust 21/22 =£0 22/23 =£ 4500
7	Balances carried forward	54510	31810	-22700	42%	Yes	£10,000 Household support fund received March 22 and distributed April 22 and more spent during 22/23 see details above compared with income recieved.
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	54510	31810	-22700	42%	Yes	£10,000 Household support fund received March 22 and distributed April 22 and more spent during 22/23 see details above compared with income recieved.
9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	86531	87796	1265	1%	No	
10	Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0%	No	

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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)