Explanation of Variances Berrington Parish Council

Section 1	2023/2024 £	2024/2025 £	Variance (+/-) £	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 2 Precept	16,389	18257	+ £1868	The Parish Council has received additional from the precept as additional properties allowed us to have more without increasing the cost to householders, taking the amount up by £1868
Box3 Other Income	37,605	51859	+£14,254	The Solar park grant was up by £ 421.14 this year Village pump income was down by£1197.50 this is due to costs rising and advertisers paying late Interest was upby £13.91 due to interest rate changes The council received revenue from other sources for car parking of £300 and £110 refund for a broken sign Vat refund is up by £1624.29 Parish Council received £37362.46 from the Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Fund for local projects within the community. This is an increase on last year of £16,843.09 Last financial year the council had income from a repayment from the Insurance Company for the cost of a locum clerk when the clerk was off sick. This was not paid this year - by £3860.63
Box 4 Staff Costs	10,440	11,950	+ £1510	The Council took on a caretaker for the Community Centre the previous year and gave a pay increments to both the Clerk and the Caretaker
Box 5 Loan Interest/ Capital	NIL	Nil	Nil	
Box 6 Other Payments	61604	34886	-£26718	Administration costs are down by £61.39 Office costs are up by £7.55 Subscriptions and fees are up by £5.65 Insurance is up by £50.58 Lighting and Maintenance costs are up by £280.58 Community Centre Costs are up by £7718.56. This was due the heating boiler breaking down and having to be replaced . The water heater also broke down and needed to be replaced.

Box 6 Continued from previous page.				Village Maintenance costs were up due to additional cuts of grass being needed to keep the road visibility splays clear. We also had some additional grass cutting done where parts of the hedgerow was severely overgrown with brambles.+£1164.13 Licences were down- £111 Village Pump costs were down by- £235 Audit was up by +£105 S137 was down by- £575.54 ICO & Data Protection were up by +£75 Website costs were up by +239.88 the website had been free previously but the Council now pays monthly for this VAT is up by +£70.54 Community Benefit is down by £-37071.26 the previous year the council had a cost for the a Road crossing survey Allotments costs are down by £-9896.67 due to the previous year part of a wall having to be rebuilt. Grants are up by +£11513 Play Area cots are up by +£3
Box 7 Balances Carried forward	£85,530	108810	£+23280	This year the council has given grants for the two community buildings in the Parish to be refurbished and also to replace broken heating systems and water heaters.
Box 9 Fixed Assets & Long term Assets	330815	330815	Nil	
Box 10 Total Borrowings	Nil		Nil	