

**BURES ST MARY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**STATEMENT OF VARIANCES AUDIT 2024/25**

|                                | <b>2023/24<br/>£</b> | <b>2024/25<br/>£</b> | <b>Variance<br/>£</b> | <b>Variance<br/>%</b> | <b>Details explanation</b>   |
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| <b>Box 1</b><br>Balances b/f   | 4,471                | 10,980               | +6,509                | +145.58%              | -  |
| <b>Box 2</b><br>Precept        | 301435               | 32,435               | +1,000                | +3.18%                |  |
| <b>Box 3</b><br>Other receipts | 12,945               | 10,249               | -2696                 | -20.82%               | <p><u><b>Increases: Total £5,757</b></u><br/> Interest £20<br/> Xmas Lights contributions £1,086<br/> Street cleaning £971<br/> Salary contribution from Sportsground £3,680</p> <p><u><b>Decreases: Total £8,453</b></u><br/> VAT £23<br/> No CIL contribution received this year £5,428<br/> Donations £1,128<br/> No Coronation coins contributions this year £584<br/> No refunds this year £1,270<br/> No hall hire refund £20</p>  |
| <b>Box 4</b><br>Staff costs    | 7,537                | 13,806               | +6,269                | +83.17%               | <p>2023/24 - No Clerk for 5 months which resulted in low staff costs for 2023/24. New Clerk appointed from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2024. New Clerk on Point 14 £15.08.</p> <p>2024/25 – New Clerk’s hours increased from 4 hours to 7 hours per week from July 24 to retain the Clerk plus a backdated salary increase from 1<sup>st</sup> April. Plus a Mentoring Clerk to attempt to stabilise the role.</p> <p><u><b>Increase : Total £6269</b></u></p> <p><b>SEE ATTACHED<br/>BREAKDOWN SHEET</b></p> |

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| <b>Box 5</b><br>Loan interest<br>Capital repayments | NIL    | NIL    | NIL    |         |   |
| <b>Box 6</b><br>Other payments                      | 30,335 | 24,617 | -5,718 | -17.07% | <u><b>Increases: Total £888</b></u><br><b>Subscriptions £41</b><br><b>Audit £120</b><br><b>Insurance £37</b><br><b>Repairs £14</b><br><b>Xmas lights £676</b><br><br><u><b>Decreases: Total £6,606</b></u><br><b>VAT £499</b><br><b>Hall £87</b><br><b>Admin £358</b><br><b>Training £77</b><br><b>Elections £152</b><br><b>S137 £647</b><br><b>CIL £22</b><br><b>SID £119</b><br><b>Sportsground £500</b><br><b>Cemetery £500</b><br><b>Street Lighting £775</b><br><b>Projects £1,733</b><br><b>Grounds maint £993</b><br><b>Gritting/flooding £144</b> |
| <b>Box 7</b><br>Balances c/f                        | 10,980 | 15,241 | +4,261 | +35.80% |   |
| <b>Box 8</b><br>Cash & short term<br>investments    | 10,980 | 15,241 | +4,261 | +35.80% | -   |
| <b>Box 9</b><br>Fixed assets &<br>long term assets  | 23,339 | 17,992 | -5,347 | -22.91% | <u><b>Increases: Total £792</b></u><br><b>Bench £730</b><br><b>Plaque £62</b><br><br><u><b>Decreases: £6,139</b></u><br><b>Bus shelter £5,852</b><br><b>Noticeboard £287</b>  |
| <b>Box 10</b><br>Borrowings                         | NIL    | NIL    | NIL    |         |   |

Note: % = Variance x 100 divided by 1<sup>st</sup> box figure  
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