Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Poulton and Pulford Parish Council**

County area (local councils and par: Cheshire West and Chester

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, **DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES**	**Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)**
1 Balances Brought Forward	£ 3,105.00	£ 5,983.00				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	£ 7,000.00	£ 7,900.00	900	12.86%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	£ 8,164.00	£ 3,017.00	-5,147	63.05%	YES		Receipts higher in 2024/25 due to following reasons Money received from Village hall for gutter repairs (£2400) Donation from Community Park Fundraising evert August 2024 (£1304) Donation from local resident (£200) Deposit and fee from contractor for use of Village Hall Car Park (£600) Payment for accountancy advice by Village Hall (£500) Village Hall paid audit fees this year as their toilet upgrade necessitated external audit (£546) Total of above £5450 accounts for variance.
4 Staff Costs	£ 985.00	£ 994.00	9	0.91%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	£ -	£ -	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	£11,301.00	£ 9,149.00	-2,152	19.04%	YES		Payment higher in 2024/25 due to following reasons Money paid to Quality Roofing for gutter repairs, including VAT as for Village Hall (£2400) Deposit refund to contractor for use of Village Hall Car Park (£500) Total of above £2900 more than accounts for variance.
7 Balances Carried Forward	£ 5,983.00	£ 6,757.00				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	£ 5,983.00	£ 6,758.00				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and As	£62,556.00	£62,795.00	239	0.38%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	£ -	£ -	0	0.00%	NO		