



**BIRCHANGER PARISH COUNCIL**  
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EXPLANATION OF VARIANCES – AGAR RETURN 2024-2025

	<u>2023/24</u>	<u>2024/25</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
PRECEPT OR RATES AND LEVIES	20,200	26,227	29.84%

In 2023/24 the council still had substantial reserves from earlier years. As there were no large projects planned it was agreed that Repairs and Maintenance, Capital Purchases and Donations/Grants budgeted items would be funded from reserves. These totalled £3750. The actual predicted budget for 2023/24 was £23921. The £3750 was deducted from this amount.

	<u>2023/24</u>	<u>2024/25</u>	<u>VARIANCE</u>
TOTAL OTHER RECEIPTS	350	1596	355.93%

Birchanger Art Show (BAS), which had been running for several years, was wound up in 2024. There was a residual bank balance of £1330.74 in their account. BAS wished to close the account and asked the parish council if the balance could be transferred to the council bank account. This was agreed.