

**Shottisham Parish Council**  
**Significant Variances 2025/26**

<b>Income</b>						<i>Explanation required where difference is &lt;10% or &gt;10%</i>
31/03/2025	Item	31/03/2026	Variance	% Variance	Explanation	
£5,500.00	Precept	£6,500.00	-£1,000.00	15%	The precept was increased to generate a fund to put towards playground equipment and maintenance.	
£443.03	VAT Return	£1,059.92	£616.89	58%	Purchase of a replacement trim trail for the playground led to an increase in VAT paid out in 2024/25	
£0.00	Grants	£100.00	£100.00	100%	A donation of £100 was received from the retiring village recorder from the profits of the village book.	
£0.00	Interest	£176.43	£176.43	100%	A savings account was opened which generated interest from the money deposited, including the precept.	
£0.00	Other	£50.00	£50.00	100%	The clerk purchased 10 bottles of prosecco provided by SPC for a village event but surplus to requirements.	
<b>Expenditure</b>						
31/03/2025	Item	31/03/2026	Variance	% Variance	Explanation	
£260.00	Trust Hall Rent	£260.00	£0.00	0%		
£119.08	Subs	£122.31	£3.23	3%		
£2,100.00	Clerk's Wages	£2,100.00	£0.00	0%		
£98.53	Clerk's Expenses	£124.59	£26.06	21%	Purchase of Microsoft Office 2024 added a further £99.99 to clerk's expenses but will save over time.	
£28.00	Councillors' Expenses	£0.00	-£28.00	-100%	No expenses were claimed in year 2025/26.	
£561.56	Audit/Insurance	£668.40	£106.84	16%	The cost of insurance increased by 16.5% and the ICO by 17.5% during 2025/26	
£300.00	Donations	£25.00	-£275.00	-92%	No donations were made during 2025/26 apart from a £25 book token for the retiring village recorder.	
£6,101.08	Playground	£1,202.24	-£4,898.84	-80%	No playground equipment was replaced during 2025/26 unlike in 2024/25.	
£0.00	Training	£0.00	£0.00	0%		
£174.71	Miscellaneous	£395.48	£220.77	56%	Monthly bank charges totalling £74 were paid out during 2025/26 plus an increase in web hosting/emails	
£1,059.92	VAT	£278.90	-£781.02	-74%	Purchase of a replacement trim trail for the playground led to an increase in VAT paid out in 2024/25	