

**HULME WALFIELD AND SOMERFORD BOOTHS PARISH COUNCIL – VARIANCE
REPORT 2025-2026**

	Variance Amount	Variance %	Reason (given if more than 15% variance)
Box 1	2,693	9%	
Box 2	2,300	16%	This was an increase due the number of new homes being built within the Parish and was discussed at the budget setting process. See the 2025 – 2026 budget for more information.
Box 3	960	198%	While the VAT return for 2025 – 2026 year was completed in March 2026, the expected funds hadn't arrived prior to year end.
Box 4	1,163	18%	The Clerk's hours were increased from 8 to 9 (i.e. by 12%) in November 2025. The Clerk received an annual pay rise in line with NALC pay scales.
Box 5	0	-	
Box 6	3,796	50%	The Parish Council purchased boundary signs and a defibrillator in 2025 – 2026, which represented two large one-off purchases. These will be installed and added to the asset register in 2026 – 2027.
Box 7 / 8	926	3%	
Box 9	4,500	73%	The Parish Council installed an herb garden and defibrillator during 2025 – 2026.
Box 10	0	-	