

**NORTH STAINLEY WITH SLENINGFORD PARISH COUNCIL
ACCOUNTS 2015/16**

EXPLANATION OF VARIANCES

	2014/15 £	2015/16 £	Variance (+/-) £	Variance (+/-) %	Detailed Explanation of Variance (with amounts £)
Box 6 All Other Payments	7310	10684	+3374	+46%	<p>The Parish Council has taken over responsibility for a number of communal areas in North Stainley village.</p> <p>This responsibility has brought with increased maintenance costs, specifically as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Council went out to tender for its grasscutting contract. The cost, albeit for an improved specification and based on the larger area to be cut, increased by £2,794. • The Council commissioned an inspection of all the trees it is now responsible for at a cost of £456. • The Council also commissioned a contractor to use a digger to carry out clearance work on a pond margin. This was at a cost of £576. <p>These items account for the majority of the difference in payments between the two financial years. Although there are some other fluctuations they are of a more minor nature and do not breach the 15% threshold.</p>