

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Great Barton Parish Council**  
 County area (local councils and): **West Suffolk**

Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all **Blue** highlighted boxes

Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following that will be flagged in the **green boxes where relevant**:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- **New from 2020/21 onwards**: variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;

	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input. <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	82,798	84,669				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	33,587	33,570	-17	0.05% 0 0	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	6,275	11,435	5,160	82.23% 1 1	YES		Amounts received in 2023/24 but not in previous financial year include £3495 of grants and £1868.96 refund received
4 Staff Costs	9,591	6,820	-2,771	28.89% 0 1	YES		New clerk appointed working less hours
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00% 0 0	NO		
6 All Other Payments	28,400	39,028	10,628	37.42% 1 1	YES		£1335 extra spent on Locum clerk salary in 2023/24, work carried out in Iceptis wood £6474 in 2023/24 not work carried out in previous year, Advisory services £1072 paid in 2023/24 no payment made in previous year, an extra amount of £852 paid for grass cutting in 2023/24
7 Balances Carried Forward	84,669	83,826				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	84,669	83,826				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and A	136,168	142,268	6,100	4.48% 1 0	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00% 0 0	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable