

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: [REDACTED]

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): [REDACTED]

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;

	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	84,669	83,826				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	33,570	32,578	-992	2.96%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	11,435	14,732	3,297	28.83%	YES	£5880 received in grants for 2024/25 year that were not received in 2023/24	
4 Staff Costs	6,820	8,624	1,804	26.45%	YES	Clerk was paid overtime and then had weekly hours increased due to word load.	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	39,028	30,306	-8,722	22.35%	YES	Expenses for £5220 tree surgeon, £1286 for consultancy planning, £3273 for 2 noticeboards in 2023/24 year	
7 Balances Carried Forward	83,826	92,206				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	83,826	92,206				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	142,268	143,148	880	0.62%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable