

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;

	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	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	168,604	179,456				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	112,331	110,231		1.87%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	18,869	18,198	-671	3.56%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	13,668	18,248	4,580	33.51%	YES		This includes one backdated Clerk pension contribution for the 2022-23 year and one for the current 2023-24 year, plus PAYE increases backdated April - Nov 2023
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	106,680	103,380	-3,300	3.09%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	179,456	186,257				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	179,456	186,257				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	24,500	33,268	8,768	35.79%	YES		The Council purchased two additional VAS/SID units and 3 additional benches
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable