

## 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;
- a breakdown of approved reserves on the next tab if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	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	77,481	71,844				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	39,284	39,900	616	1.57%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	3,676	11,027	7,351	199.97%	YES		A CIL payment was received of £8126 in October 2022, in year 21-22 a one off grant of £1000 was received which was not received this year for 22-23.
4 Staff Costs	20,161	21,252	1,091	5.41%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	28,436	32,807	4,371	15.37%	YES		A new fence was purchased for the village playground at a cost of £10,850 which CIL funds were used. In 21-22 the council paid £645 more for IT support, this was a one off for set up costs. There was a by-election cost of £406 which was not paid this year. The council paid for more fingerpost repairs last year at a cost of £2956 whereas this year only £1278 was paid. A grant of £1250 was paid to the village hall in 21-22 which was not paid in 22-23.
7 Balances Carried Forward	71,844	68,712			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	71,844	68,715				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	63,010	70,386	7,376	11.71%	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