

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	37,070	20,642					Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	20,063	20,565	502	2.50%	NO		2.5% increase requested
3 Total Other Receipts	14,994	73	-14,921	99.51%	YES		Prior year included large £7,979 VAT return due to increased expenditure on play area project and £7k contribution towards the play area contribution.
4 Staff Costs	4,683	6,064	1,381	29.49%	YES		Increase in line with NJC salary rates April 2024, no changes to hours or salary point
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	46,802	10,586	-36,216	77.38%	YES		Prior year included £33,592 play area improvement costs
7 Balances Carried Forward	20,642	24,630				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	20,642	24,630				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	101,840	101,260	-580	0.57%	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