

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	19,841	19,597				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	9,504	9,504	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	0	746	746	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!		VAT RECLAIM (£625) SALE OF REDUNDANT ITEMS (£90) BANK REFUND (£30)
4 Staff Costs	3,078	3,619	541	17.58%	YES		NJC PAY INCREMENT AND BACK PAY
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	6,670	5,633	-1,037	15.55%	YES		2023/24 INCLUDED LIVERY COLLAR LINKS PURCHASE (£854) AND SET UP COSTS FOR COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH PROGRAMME (£493)
7 Balances Carried Forward	19,597	20,595				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	£15000 WAS MOVED TO A NOTICE ACCOUNT DURING THE FINANCIAL YEAR, EITHER FROM THE CURRENT ACCOUNT, OR FROM THE SAVER ACCOUNT VIA THE CURRENT ACCOUNT. ALL ARE ACCOUNTED FOR IN THE CASHBOOK AND BOX 8 FIGURE IS THE SUM TOTAL OFF ALL THREE ACCOUNTS HELD AS OF 31 MARCH 2025
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	22,244	23,493				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	43,493	45,668	2,175	5.00%	NO		INFLATION ADDED TO 2023/24 FIGURE, HAD NOT BEEN ADDED IN PREVIOUS YEARS
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable