

## 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);

- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;

- **New from 2025/26 onwards:** variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £6,500,000

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	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	19,822	20,761				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	13,826	17,000	3,174	22.96%	YES		£4,000 addition set aside this year for Parish Enhancements (£2000.00 last year, ie possible play area for North Greetwell, play area repairs when funds spent from The Chase account are used, possible community hall. Payment of National Insurance for Clerk £315.00. £250.00 for plants etc (£50 last year) for the additional flower tubs in the parish. £100.00 additional grounds maintenance. £475.00 additional staffing cost. Small additional costs for membership subscriptions, website maintenance.
3 Total Other Receipts	2,788	2,977	189	6.78%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	8,761	9,370	609	6.95%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	6,914	8,040	1,126	16.29%	YES		New noticeboard £410.00, New seat £345.00, New Printer £140.00, Bus shelter painting £563.00
7 Balances Carried Forward	20,761	23,328				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	0	0				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	42,933	43,729	796	1.85%	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