

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **WENHASTON with MELLS PARISH COUNCIL**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

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	56,204	51,692					Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	24,000	24,000	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	14,834	5,193	-9,641	64.99%			The following receipts reduced vs previous year. CIL payments £6117, Memorial and cemetery fees £956, Rural Payments for land management £2412 and VAT refunds obtained £447. Total £9932. (An increase of £290 in allotment fees received makes up the varaince)
4 Staff Costs	10,970	11,504	534	4.87%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	32,376	24,128	-8,248	25.48%	YES		Capital expenditure was £9431 less during the year, cemetery costs increased by £250 and repair costs increased by £925 (net £8256)
7 Balances Carried Forward	51,692	45,253				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	51,692	45,253				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	0	0	0	0.00%	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

BOX 10 VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED IF CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY BOX 5 (CAPITAL PLUS INTEREST PAYMENT)