

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: WASHINGTONTOWN COUNCIL
County area (local councils and joint boards) and North Yorkshire
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	13,914	13,570				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	7,700	8,000	300	3.90%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	594	387	-207	34.85%	YES		No grants, commuted sums or petty cash in 2024/25. £0 VAT reclaim in 2024/25. In 2023/24 this amounted to £216. Bank Interest from High Interest Account in 2023/24 amounted to £351, in 2024/25 this totalled £387.
4 Staff Costs	4,074	4,555	512	12.57%	NO		Staff Costs increased - Clerk & RFO Salary and Tax (£4,586)
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	4,564	4,618	64	1.40%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	13,570	12,743				VARIANCES EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	13,570	12,743				VARIANCES EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	185,000	185,000	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