

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Hope with Aston 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;

	2023/24 £	2024/25 £	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	9,391	11,079				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	7,895	8,280	385	4.88%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	879	7,584	6,705	762.80%	YES		Grant payment for footpath works from HPBC of £7584
4 Staff Costs	3,921	2,893	-1,028	26.22%	YES		23/24 locum clerk increased costs.
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	3,165	6,430	3,265	103.16%	YES		Purchase of Aston noticeboard £728, Soldier silhouettes £400, DALC membership paid April 24 (for 24-5) and March 25 (for 25-6) £400, Donations of £700 awarded
7 Balances Carried Forward	11,079	17,620				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	11,079	17,620				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	2,617	4,000	1,383	52.85%	YES		Purchase of Aston noticeboard £728 and update of asset register
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable