

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Aston le Walls Parish Council**
County area (local councils and): **NORTHANTS**

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;

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	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	14,051	14,223				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	10,000	10,000	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	1,343	2,980	1,637	121.89%	YES		The variance of £1,637 is down to a successful application to WNC to access a £1,335 Biodiversity Grant. The other income was £698.95 in VAT reclaimations, £118.88 in bank interest. £552.56 from WNC for grass verges cutting and £275 from a private business to whom we sold leftover hedglings from the pocket park project to prevent them from going to waste. Our income in 2024-25 came from £469.92 VAT reclamation, £552.56 from WNC for grass verges cutting, £170.92 bank interest and £150 compensation from N. Power.
4 Staff Costs	3,403	3,298	-105	3.09%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	7,768	6,662	-1,106	14.24%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	14,223	17,283				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	14,223	17,283				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	28,690	29,000	310	1.08%	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