

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **COULSTON 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, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	3,865	5,685				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward does not agree, query this	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,739	3,850	111	2.97%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	301	140	-161	53.49%	YES	Explanation not required, difference less than £200	
4 Staff Costs	1,220	2,367	1,147	94.02%	YES	Clerk in place for only part of the year	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,517	1,418	-1,099	43.66%	YES	Defib pads last year, not required this year	
7 Balances Carried Forward	4,168	5,890				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	5,685	5,890				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