

Explanation of variances 2024/25 – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Weston on the Green Parish Council  
Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all [Blue](#) highlighted boxes

Now, 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 £500);
- variances of more than £100,000 must be explained even where this constitutes less than 15%;

Please ensure variance explanations are quantified to reduce the variance excluding stated items below the 15% / £500 / £100,000 threshold

	2025 £	2024 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required? Is > 15%    Is > £100,000		DO NOT OVERWRITE THE BOXES HIGHLIGHTED IN RED/GREEN	Explanation (must include narrative and supporting figures) <small>Note: If an explanation is required for the variance of Box 4 and the explanation refers to a change in hours or a change in pay rates, please could you note the previous hours/rates and the updated hours/rates</small>
1 Balances Brought Forward	60,107	53,371					Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	25,949	23,732	2,217	9.34%	NO	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	12,871	7,464	5,407	72.44%	YES	NO	Additional £4k grant funding received from Oxfordshire County Council Transport relating to funding for 2 years to help with running costs for a community bus run by the Parish Council. VAT also reclaimed from HMRC in 2024/25 for whole of FY 2023-24 (£1.3k) and Q1/Q2 FY 2024/25 (£3.2k) vs 2023/24 claim (£1.7k)	
4 Staff Costs	9,891	9,509	382	4.02%	NO	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	1,845	1,845	0	0.00%	NO	NO		
6 All Other Payments	35,088	13,106	21,982	167.72%	YES	NO	Number of projects and additional works completed this FY: £13,125 for x2 new swings sets and repairs to playground, £3,234 for new no power defibrillator, £2,136 on parish treeworks, £2,610 on playing field maintenance not previously undertaken, £427 on new mower tyres, £390 on arboriculturist for oak tree footpath removal	
7 Balances Carried Forward	52,103	60,107	-8,004	13.32%	NO	NO		
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	52,103	60,107	-8,004	13.32%	NO	NO		
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	39,717	35,589	4,128	11.60%	NO	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	26,259	27,532	-1,273	4.62%	NO	NO		