

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Host Caple, Solenstope and Yelfton Group Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): Herefordshire

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	7,880	7,985				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	9,750	10,500	750	7.69%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	5,827	12,957	7,130	122.36%	YES		Includes grant payments received totalling £7844.96 from 24-25 not paid until 25-26, bank account interest totalling £24.69 and VAT reclaim of £1440.63
4 Staff Costs	5,456	4,897	-559	10.25%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	10,016	19,707	9,691	96.76%	YES		Increases in Footpath and drainage expenses. Speed indicator device purchased for the parish
7 Balances Carried Forward	7,985	6,838				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	7,985	6,838				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	8,398	12,784	4,386	52.23%	YES		Payment of £2339.99 for installation of two SID bases. Gates installed to the value of £749.21 and £1395.75
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable