

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **WRANGLE 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, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	31,871	31,815				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	26,000	33,000	7,000	26.92%	YES		The precept increased by £7000.00 due to the parish council now paying for the street light electricity and maintenance costs. The entrance to the recreation field needed work, re-tarmac and pot holes filling along with work required on the sea bank.
3 Total Other Receipts	5,719	6,330	611	10.68%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	7,727	8,044	317	4.10%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	24,090	36,970	12,880	53.47%	YES		New Clerk started Sept 2024, old Clerk stepped down from role as Clerk but continued as editor of the parish magazine came into affect Oct 2024 £316.00 more paid out in salary vs previous year, grass cutting costs increased £495.00 vs previous year, electricity and water charges increased £625.00 vs previous year, street light electricity usage from boston borough council increased £184.00 vs previous year. The handyman increased his hourly rate which meant an increase of £367.00 vs previous year. Things that have happened or been paid for this year that weren't last year are, memorial clean £3120.00, purchasing of 2 new litter/dog waste bins £788.00, repairs had to be carried out to the village sign £510.00, bus shelter repairs had to be made £792.00, relaying of a roadway and tarmacing of the recreation field entrance £5676.00
7 Balances Carried Forward	31,815	26,131				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	31,815	26,131				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	163,647	164,297	650	0.40%	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