

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Cary Moor Parish Council  
County area (local councils and parish meetings only): Somerset

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	14,553	17,775				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	11,650	14,650	3,000	25.75%	YES		Increase in precept due to the likelihood of Somerset Council (SC) issuing a Section 114 notice in order to earmark £4,000 in a 'Community Resilience Fund' to be used towards providing any services that SC could no longer provide, such as verge maint, grit materials, draingage, potholes etc.
3 Total Other Receipts	152	158	6	3.95%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	4,131	4,505	374	9.05%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	4,449	6,497	2,048	46.03%	YES		Expenditure 2024/25: Defibrillator £1,764, CIL £192, Gov.uk domain £280, Trng £180, Grants £450, website £273 - Total £3,067 Expenditure 2023/24: CIL £110, Laptop £449, Trng £0, website £204 - Total £1,113    Difference = £1,954
7 Balances Carried Forward	17,775	21,581				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	17,775	21,581				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	6,609	8,004	1,395	21.11%	YES		Purchase of Defibrillator £1,470 (net).
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable