

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Mellis 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, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	34,016	31,030				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	7,900	7,900	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	6,638	681	-5,957	89.74%	YES		Parish CIL received in 2022/23, but not in 2023/24.
4 Staff Costs	4,552	4,848	296	6.50%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	12,972	5,675	-7,297	56.25%	YES		Capital spending of £2,177 in 2022/23 for a new noticeboard, and £5,316 on groundworks to clear Newsteads Land (community garden space).
7 Balances Carried Forward	31,030	29,088				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	31,030	29,088				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	17,245	18,678	1,433	8.31%	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

BOX 10 VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED IF CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY BOX 5 (CAPITAL PLUS INTEREST PAYMENT)

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