

Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Little Comberton Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Worcestershire**

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);
- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- **New from 2025/26 onwards:** variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £6,500,000

	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	12,076	12,847				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	7,099	7,600	501	7.06%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	9,486	3,295	-6,191	65.26%	YES		£3,100 received from the Police & Crime Commissioner's Road Safety Fund towards the purchase of a new vehicle activated speed sign. £2,000 received from the County Cllr Divisional Fund towards road safety measures in association with Worcestershire County Council. £1,226 received in VAT claimed for road safety expenditure.
4 Staff Costs	4,861	5,225	364	7.49%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	10,953	5,725	-5,228	47.73%	YES		Total expenditure incurred for parish road safety measures in accordance with Police & Crime Comisioner Road Safety Initiative and Worcestershire County Council surveys and proposals @ £5,266.
7 Balances Carried Forward	12,847	12,792				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	12,847	12,792				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	518,215	518,215	0	0.00%	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