

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Alderton Parish Council

County area (local councils and

Gloucestershire

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	31,430	124,648				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	19,040	20,072	1,032	5.42%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	97,303	27,218	-70,085	72.03%	YES		Less £89891.38 of CIL money, we did not receive any CIL in 24-25 Additional £14697.80 in S106 money Additional bank interest Less Playing field income Allotment rent Solar receipts were simillar £303.60 Addition £253.17 grant for trees
4 Staff Costs	9,188	13,294	4,106	44.69%	YES		The Parish Council started making pension contributions for the Clerk and had to back date to the start of employment in 2023. No Clerk for 2 months in 23-24. New NALC SCP for 24-25 Additional £3487.45 in staff salary Less Tax/Ni £1370.19 Additional Pension £1988.97 TOTAL variance £4106.23
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	13,937	41,166	27,229	195.37%	YES		Increase of £6295 CIL Spend mostly towards the village hall redevelopment project Increase of £14049.76 S106 - playingfields, improvements and installation of new fence around the play area Increase of £1569.33 Admin insurance, hall hire, subs - APC started using Scribe accounting and allotment software Increase of £809 Installation of new defib Increase of £1132.5 Planning consultants Increase of £874.54 Allotment costs Increase of £878.33 Playing field maintenance Increase of £246 Grass cutting and maintenance of village verges Increase of £205 Asset maintenance TOTAL variance £26059.46
7 Balances Carried Forward	124,648	117,478				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	124,648	117,478				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	134,466	136,490	2,024	1.51%	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