

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: PADWORTH PARISH COUNCIL
County area (local councils and WEST BERKSHIRE COUNCIL

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	29,168	30,152				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	26,000	20,000	-6,000	23.08%	YES		Padworth Parish council reduced the precept request for 2025-2026 to £20,000 instead of £26,000 in 2024-2025
3 Total Other Receipts	250	21,184	20,934	8373.62%	YES		Padworth Parish Council received CIL monies for Planning App 23/02825/FULMAJ in November 2025 amounting to £20.937.88.
4 Staff Costs	5,374	5,374	0	0.00%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	19,892	17,543	-2,349	11.81%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	30,152	48,419				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	30,152	48,419				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	14,643	14,643	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