

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **CROWTON PARISH COUNCIL**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): Cheshire West & Chester

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);

	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	11,386	7,548				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	8,650	9,650	1,000	11.56%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	4,058	13,316	9,258	228.14%	YES		Fundraising for project EMR of £9261 to be used in 2024/25
4 Staff Costs	4,921	4,604	-317	6.44%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	11,625	7,458	-4,167	35.85%	YES		2022/23 purchsed SID £5200 which equates to a 8% underspend for 23/24 compared to 22/23. £320 of this is non payment of hall hire, as they didn't invoice during 23/24.
7 Balances Carried Forward	7,548	18,452			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	7,548	18,452				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments	25,320	25,740	420	1.66%	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)						