Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority: NORTH WEALD BASSETT PARISH COUNCIL

County area (local councils and ESSEX

Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all <u>Blue</u> 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

	2022/23 £	2023/24 £	Variance £	Variance %		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	343,843	403,636				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	229,766	231,084	1,318	0.57%	NO	
3 Total Other Receipts	88,596	82,358	-6,238	7.04%	NO	
4 Staff Costs	140,011	156,002	15,991	11.42%	NO	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	2,394	2,394	0	0.00%	NO	
6 All Other Payments	116,164	128,135	11,971	10.31%	NO	
7 Balances Carried Forward	403,636	430,547				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	400,268	434,758				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments at	nd 975,761	987,226	11,465	1.17%	NO	
10 Total Borrowings	4.524	2.314	-2.210	48.85%	YES	The Parish Council has only two payments to make on the PWLB, its last payment being 31st March 2025

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable