

## Explanation of variances 2023/24 – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Marston St Lawrence Parish Council

Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all [Blue](#) highlighted boxes

Now, 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 £500);
- variances of more than £100,000 must be explained even where this constitutes less than 15%;

Please ensure variance explanations are quantified to reduce the variance excluding stated items below the 15% / £500 / £100,000 threshold

	2024	2023	Variance	Variance	Explanation Required?		DO NOT OVERWRITE THE BOXES HIGHLIGHTED IN RED/GREEN	Explanation (must include narrative and supporting figures)
	£	£	£	%	Is > 15%	Is > £100,000		
1 Balances Brought Forward	5,659	4,428					Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	4,200	3,900	300	7.69%	NO	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	56	287	-231	80.49%	YES	NO	Explanation not required, difference less than £500	
4 Staff Costs	811	750	61	8.13%	NO	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	NO		
6 All Other Payments	3,648	2,206	1,442	65.37%	YES	NO		We changed the contractor for public lighting mid 2022 and the prices have gone up.
7 Balances Carried Forward	5,456	5,659	-203	3.59%	NO	NO		
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	5,456	5,659	-203	3.59%	NO	NO		
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	6,588	6,588	0	0.00%	NO	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	NO		