

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

Blue

LITTLE YELDHAM, TILBURY JOSTA CLARE AND OUNINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
ESSEX

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);
- a breakdown of approved reserves on the next tab if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

| | 2023 - 24 | 2024 - 25 | Variance | Variance | Explanation | Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES | Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures) |
|---|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|-------------|---|--|
| | £ | £ | £ | % | Required? | | |
| 1 Balances Brought Forward | 9742 | 13391 | | | | Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees | CONFIRMED |
| 2 Precept or Rates and Levies | 7916 | 8975 | 1059 | 0.00% | NO | | N/A Variance Less than 15% |
| 3 Total Other Receipts | 75333 | 6009 | 69374 | 0.00% | NO | | See below |
| 4 Staff Costs | 1502 | 1502 | 0 | 0.00% | NO | | N/A No Variance |
| 5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | NO | | N/A |
| 6 All Other Payments | 78146 | 12002 | 66144 | 0.00% | NO | | See below |
| 7 Balances Carried Forward | 0 | 0 | | | NO | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED | |
| 8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments | 13392 | 14871 | 1479 | | | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED | |
| 9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and | 33442 | 84682 | 12500 | 0.00% | NO | | N/A Variance Less than 15% |
| 10 Total Borrowings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | NO | | N/A |

The above variances of over 15% arise from a National Lottery grant of £58,000.00 paid during 2023-2024 specifically for playground equipment. There was no grant from the National Lottery in 2024-2025.