Explanation of variances – pro forma

 Name of smaller authority:
 West IIsley Parish Council

 County area:
 West Berkshire

	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	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	35,058	46,521				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	10,660	10,700	40	0.38%	NO	
3 Total Other Receipts	3,269	0	-3,269	100.00%	YES	In 2019/20 receipts were: VAT reclaim £2,922, donation £275, advertising income £72. In 2020/21 no additional income was received.
4 Staff Costs	884	66	-818	92.53%	YES	The Council was without a paid Clerk for most of the financial year. Due to issues obtaining HMRC login details, no payment was made to the new Clerk in this financial year.
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	
6 All Other Payments	1,582	14,026	12,444	786.60%	YES	There were no items outside of the normal Council expenditure in 2019/20. In 2020/21 extraordinary expenditure was as follows: £1,056 website development, £5,210 playground refurbishment, repayment of VAT reclaim over payment £969, laptop £480, donation to cricket nets project £5,000.
7 Balances Carried Forward	46,521	43,129	ļ		YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE GREATER THAN TWICE INCOME FROM LOCAL TAXATION/LEVIES
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	46,521	43,129	l			VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments an	4 1,631	42,031	400	0.96%	NO	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	

Explanation for 'high' reserves

(Please complete the highlighted boxes.)

Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:

Earmarked reserves:	
Village Hall	£20,000
Play Area	£5,000
Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS)	£5,000
War Memorial	£5,000
Gazebo	£5,000
	£40,000
General reserve	£3,129

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Total reserves (must agree to Box 7)