

## Explanation of variances – WHITTON & TOSSON PARISH COUNCIL

Name of smaller authority: WHITTON & TOSSON PARISH COUNCIL

County area: NORTHUMBERLAND

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	8,432	8,054				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward does not agree, query this	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	1,821	2,033	212	11.64%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	3,740	4,216	476	12.73%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	3,935	3,064	-871	22.13%	YES		RJBC staff costs for 2023 reduced by £870. WTPC staff costs increased by £171 as a result of annual pay increase
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,005	1,606	-399	19.90%	YES		RJBC £567 less in 2023. WTPC £169 more made up of NALC Fess £10, Insurance £7, Maintenance £104, Insurance £50
7 Balances Carried Forward	8,053	9,633			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	£ 6092 of £9633 of reserve is held by RJBC for the major extension to the cemetery land. The WTPC element of £2009 is held in reserve for possible future election costs.
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	8,053	9,633				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	1,344	3,343	1,999	148.74%	YES		Difference due to review of WTPC assets not included in previous years including 5 benches and parish noticeboard
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable