

Explanation of variances – pro forma									
Name of smaller authority:		St Martha Parish Council							
County area (local councils and parish meetings only):		Surrey							
Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all Blue highlighted boxes									
Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following that will be flagged in the green boxes where relevant:									
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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 on year; 									
			2022/23	2023/24	Variance	Variance	Explanation		
			£	£	£	%	Required?	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		38,942	41,314				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2	Precept or Rates and Levies		15,070	13,850	-1,220	8.10%	NO		
3	Total Other Receipts		841	1,364	523	62.19%	YES	Increase in VAT return of £270; Additional interest from Nat West Reserve Account of £147; Refund from SALC - duplicate payment of £126	
4	Staff Costs		8,922	10,664	1,742	19.52%	YES	Increase in Clerk's paid hours £1,295; Increase in PAYE & NIC of £447	
5	Loan Interest/Capital Repayment		0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6	All Other Payments		4,617	10,273	5,656	122.50%	YES	PLUS - Mulberry double entry payment - £144; +purchase of Arnold Baker £136; + increase of IT expenses/support - £301; + training for Clerk and Cllrs £206; + Parish Improvements - £1,905; + provision (50% proportion) of BT monthly charges for use of telephone /b'band at Clerk's home year ended 2022/23 and year ended 31/03/24 ££865; + War Memorial Maintenance - £2,355. MINUS provision of email - £50; - Clerk's travel exps £47; - Annual Subscriptions - £90; room hire £50; website uploads and support - £50.	
7	Balances Carried Forward		41,314	35,591				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments		41,314	35,591				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9	Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and		38,369	38,369	0	0.00%	NO		
10	Total Borrowings		0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable									
Variances of £200 or less are tolerable									