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Explanation of significant variances in the accounting statements – AGAR Section 2

Parish Council name: **DENTON WITH WOOTTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Please explain any variances of more than 15% between the totals for individual boxes in Section 2. We do not require explanations for variances of less than £200; however, in some cases there may be '*compensating*' variances which leave the overall total for a box relatively unchanged – e.g. where there was a major one-off project in one year (e.g. contribution to village hall extension of £30,000), but a totally different expense of a similar size in the next (e.g. purchase of playground equipment of £28,000). In such cases, it would be helpful to provide an explanation of movements within each box. We also ask you to explain any change where there is a movement to or from zero. Please either use the proforma below or complete a separate schedule if more space is required.

Section 2	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance (+/-) £	Detailed explanation of variance (for each reason noted please include monetary values (to nearest £100)
Box 2 Precept	13,200	13,800	600	Less than 15% variance
Box 3 Other income	0	756	756	This financial year there was a credit of £416.00, a refund of £190.00 and an extra payment from Dover District Council of £150.00 – this made up the other income for 2022/23
Box 4 Staff costs	3,633	4,380	747	NALC awarded a backdated pay increase for all Clerks, so this is reflected in the extra staff costs for 2022/23
Box 5 Loan interest/ capital	0	0	0	No variance

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Box 6				
Other payments	2,655	14,193	11,538	Three grants totalling 10,225.00 were given to local organisations which accounts for most of the variance between 2021/22 and 2022/23 plus we had extra expenditure of £1,104 due to the Queens Jubilee with three benches purchased and gifted to the two Village Halls and Wootton & Denton Recreation Ground
Box 7 Balances carried forward	28,577	24,560	4,017	If some of the year-end balances are earmarked for specific purposes rather than as a general reserve, please provide a breakdown. You do not need to explain the year-on-year variance for this box.
Box 9 Fixed assets & long-term assets	19,493	18,945	548	Explain <u>all</u> movements in this category and not just those above 15% £548 of assets were disposed of and removed from the asset register
Box 10 <i>Total</i> <i>borrowing</i>	0	0	0	No variance