

Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Leighton, Minshull Vernon and Woolstanwood**

County area (local councils and): **Cheshire East**

	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	111,183	108,494				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	50,000	51,454	1,454	2.91%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	9,872	6,378	-3,494	35.39%	YES		Receipts in 2022/23 included £4,281 for VAT repayment and £3,886 from a Neighbourhood Plan Grant. There was a receipt of £2,554 from Community Infrastructure monies in 2023/24. Full details of receipts for the two years are shown in the appendices.
4 Staff Costs	8,254	11,957	3,703	44.86%	YES		The Clerk's contract of employment was increased from 8 hours per week to 12 hours per week to reflect additional responsibilities.
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	54,305	22,547	-31,758	58.48%	YES		In 2022/23, the Council spent £10,000 on donations, £8,471 on Parish Polls and £14,950 on the Parish Field. Full details of expenditure for the two years are shown in the appendices.
7 Balances Carried Forward	108,494	131,822				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	108,494	131,822				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	162,010	162,010	0	0.00%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		