

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: [REDACTED]

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): [REDACTED]

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:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- **New from 2020/21:** variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- a breakdown of approved reserves on the next tab if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

	31st March 2020 £	31st March 2021 £	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	82,354	93,163					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	20,780	21,133	353	1.70%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	21,798	25,716	3,918	17.97%	YES		The car park ticket machine revenue, year ending March 31st 2021 increased by 3927.45 to £22120. The previous year was 18192.55. This was due to good weather and people visiting the beach (nowhere else to go/Covid restrictions).
4 Staff Costs	14,079	17,007	2,928	20.80%	YES		Last year we spent £3059.01 on cleaning staff costs, this year we spent £4948.51 due to increase in the cleaning schedule in response to COVID, which is an additional spend of £1889.5. Furthermore, we spent additional on maintenance staff costs for repairs, as we have ringfenced sums to repair assets, if /when needed. The maintenance man repaired the parish benches as additional work this year. Therefore, we spent £1689.82 this financial year as opposed to 904.46 the previous financial year. Which is a difference of 785.36. These variations amount to £2674.86 increase this year as opposed to last year.
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	17,690	19,058	1,368	7.73%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	93,163	103,947			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	93,163	103,947				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	167,325	168,702	1,377	0.82%	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