

Explanation of variances – pro forma 2021/22

Name of smaller authority: **Ashmanhaugh Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Norfolk**

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).

	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	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	4,134	5,712				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,900	4,002	102	2.62%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	738	412	-326	44.23%	YES		In 2020/21 VAT reclaim was £738.23 - in 2021/22 VAT reclaim only £11.74, therefore less income of £726.49 , however there was an additional donation income of £400 in 2021/22 - therefore overall difference of £326.49
4 Staff Costs	2,474	2,596	122	4.94%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	587	2,071	1,484	252.84%	YES		Projects - Parish Council contributed £792.50 to Norfolk County Council for a Village Gateway through the 50% Parish Partnership Scheme. £478.83 paid for dog/litter bin (donations received to cover cost). Donations of £125 also made in 2021/2022 however non in previous year. Subscriptions were £126.79 more this year to last, and training costs £22 higher. Room hire was less £144 in 2020/21 due to virtual meetings, maintenance £11.40 less and stationery £4.22 less.
7 Balances Carried Forward	5,712	5,459			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	5,712	5,459				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments at	16,150	18,049	1,899	11.76%	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