

**Explanation of variances – pro forma**

Name of smaller authority:

**BARTHOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL  
CHESHIRE EAST**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

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);
- 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).

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	10,597	10,189					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,000	3,000	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	1	810	809	80900.00%	YES	NB. The difference is actually between £0.00 (in 2018/19) and £809.00 (in 2019/20). This represents a grant from Cheshire East Council to cover litter picking and clean-up costs in the parish.	
4 Staff Costs	1,393	1,778	385	27.64%	YES	This represents an increase in the Clerk's salary to recognise experience/qualifications and also to implement national pay awards and additional responsibilities.	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,015	2,358	343	17.02%	YES	The majority of this increase is covered by a s.137 donation of £405.22 towards the costs of a Barthomley Village Day in June 2019.	
7 Balances Carried Forward	10,190	9,863			YES	<b>VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED</b> <b>EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE GREATER THAN TWICE INCOME FROM LOCAL TAXATION/LEVIES</b>	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	10,189	9,862				<b>VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED</b>	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	1,300	1,300	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