

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:
County area (local councils and parish meetings only):
Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all Blue highlighted boxes

**BARTHOMLEY PARISH COUNCIL
CHESHIRE EAST**

- 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).

	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	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	10,189	9,862				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,000	2,500	-500	16.67% 1	YES		The Council took a decision to reduce the precept for 2020-21.
3 Total Other Receipts	809	4,243	3,434	424.47% 1	YES		The Council received a payment from the CIL of £3,493.20.
4 Staff Costs	1,778	1,830	52	2.92% 0	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00% 0	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,358	4,015	1,657	70.27% 1	YES		Main additional was £1,500 (net) on a planning consultant.
7 Balances Carried Forward	9,862	10,760			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	9,862	10,760				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	1,300	1,300	0	0.00% 0	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00% 0	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable