

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Dunholme Parish Council**
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);
- New from 2020/21 onwards:** 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).

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	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	117,456	117,910				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	44,771	49,123	4,352	9.72%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	32,837	37,602	4,765	14.51%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	10,754	12,958	2,204	20.49%	YES		During 2022-23 a review of the Clerks pay and hours worked was discussed. It was agreed to increase the Clerks weekly hours and an increase to salary. This meant payments in 2022 totalling £6983 and 2023 of £10073 (Variance £3090). The village Maintenance facilitator decreased her hours during 2022-23. This meant payments in 2022 totalling £2948 and 2023 of £3063 (Variance £115) A payment in 2023 of £119 for tax and NI, this related to to 2022 year (Variance 119) A payment was made to unit cleaner in 2022 for £538, no such payment was made in 2023 (Variance £538) Total Variance £2318
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	66,400	37,997	-28,403	42.78%	YES		There are the following variances in payments made between years:- Play area fencing - paid 2022 £14308 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £14308 Neighbourhood Plan costs - paid 2022 £6438 Paid 2023 £4946 Variance £1492 Legal Fees paid - paid 2022 £1288 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £1288 Indoor Bowls Club slabs - paid 2022 £3224 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £3224 Grass Cutting - Paid 2022 £3094 Paid 2023 £1576 Variance £1518 Traffic Flow village hall site - Paid 2022 £1404 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £1404 Indoor Bowls Club boiler - Paid 2022 £4204 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £4204 Grage rent - Paid 2022 £331 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £331 Sports Unit Charges - Paid 2022 £977 Paid 2023 £642 Variance £335 Indoor Bowls club windows - Paid 2022 £288 Paid 2023 £0 Variance £288 TOTAL VARIANCES £28,392
7 Balances Carried Forward	117,910	153,680			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	117,910	153,680				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	757,464	759,194	1,730	0.23%	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