

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);
- 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).

	2018/2019 £	2019/2020 £	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	59,730	40,463					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	56,000	67,000	11,000	19.64%	YES	Councillors resolved to increase the precept to build up reserves to meet future costs of defibrillators, a free standing pump to be used on the River Broadfleet to raise the water over the embankment; relieving the threatening flooding concerns to farmers in the hinterland around Pilling and to ensure there are reserves towards the implications of continuing withdrawal of principle	
3 Total Other Receipts	14,569	14,540	-29	0.20%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	42,513	41,575	-938	2.21%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	47,323	21,266	-26,057	55.06%	YES	Equipment costs decreased by -£5,000 as the new Parish Lengthsman was bought a number of new pieces of equipment last year. During 2018 - 2019 Pilling Parish Council made a donation of £20,000 to Pilling Community Hall, the money was earmarked in 2005 to provide a sports field in the village -£20,000 . VAT claim was -£2,000 down on last year, the PC didn't purchase as many items. Pilling In Bloom was revived this year and spending increased by £900.	
7 Balances Carried Forward	40,463	59,162			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	40,463	59,162				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	51,036	61,739	10,703	20.97%	YES	Purchases: Bus Shelter £5,000, ANPR camera and pole £5,650 and Brush Cutter £437. Disposal: Walkie Talkies £275	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable