

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Dowsby Parish Council**
County area (local councils and): **Lincolnshire**

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).

	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	5,878	4,674				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	1,894	2,000	106	5.60%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	356	1	-355	99.72%	YES		No donations received
4 Staff Costs	576	864	288	50.00%	YES		19/20 HMRC payment paid in 20/21
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,878	768	-2,110	73.31%	YES		Anticipated spending delayed due to pandemic
7 Balances Carried Forward	4,674	5,043			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	4,674	5,043				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	5,144	5,144	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