

Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Brook Parish Council**
 County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Kent**

	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 (<u>must include narrative and supporting figures</u>)
1 Balances Brought Forward	1,689	4,992					Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	11,500	11,500	0	0.00%	0	0	NO	Precept increased in order to build up a reserve to pay for the increase in treework and maintenance of the playing field
3 Total Other Receipts	1,125	3,692	2,567	228.14%	0	1	YES	Grants in 2022/23 = 2891, however, grants in 2021/22 = 1100 = 1791 VAT in 2021/22 = 0, in 2022/23 = 791.25 = 791.25 Peppercorn Rent = 15.00 received in 2021/22, not received in 2022/23 = -15 =1791+791-15 = 2567
4 Staff Costs	3,599	4,077	478	13.28%	0	1	NO	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	NO	
6 All Other Payments	5,723	11,170	5,447	95.18%	0	1	YES	Playground maintenance cost 725.93 in 2022/23 and only 149.44 in 2021/22 due to no purchase of bark = 576.49 The Caretaker Scheme was 2620 per annum in 2021/22 and was 2690 in 2022/23 = 70 The treework in 2021/22 was only 359, increased to 1820 in 2022/23 = 1461 The Council provided grant in 2021/22 = 1100 but in 2022/23 = 4305.51 = 3205.51 Increase in insurance and annual memberships = 134 576.49+70+1461+3205.51+134 = 5447
7 Balances Carried Forward	4,992	4,936					NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	4,992	4,936					NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	23,137	24,966	1,829	7.91%	0	1	NO	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	NO	