## Explanation of variances

Name of smal Mersham Parish Council
County area (local councils a Kent
Insert figures from Section 1 of the AGAR in all Blue highlighted boxes
Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following

|  | $\begin{gathered} 2021 / 22 \\ £ \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { 2022/23 } \\ £ \end{gathered}$ | Variance £ | Variance \% |
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| 1 Balances Brought Forward |  |  |  |  |
|  | 18,352 | 23,265 |  |  |
| 2 Precept or Rates and Levies | 26,500 | 28,000 | 1,500 | 5.66\% |
| 3 Total Other Receipts |  |  |  |  |
|  | 2,922 | 3,440 | 518 | 17.73\% |
| 4 Staff Costs | 6,219 | 6,921 | 702 | 11.29\% |



YES


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Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
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Grants in 2022-23 = 2785, in 2021/22 grants $=2704.02$ which is an increase of $£ 80.98$ Interest in 2022/23 = 4.85, in 2021/22 interest rates were less and so interest earned = $1.15=3.70$ more in 2022/223
2022/23, VAT reclaim $=650.24$, in 2021/22 this was 131.73 = increase of 518.51 The PC was also entitled to 85 Concurrent Functions Grant in 2021/22 which was withdrawn in 2022/23. $=-85$ 80.98+3.70+518.51 $85=518.19$

Tree work in 2021-22 not undertaken in 2022-23 = - 1355
Kent Highways Speed survey funded by the PC as part of the Highways Improvement Plan $=£ 285$, Highways Improvements in 2022-23 = 12454, increase of 12169
Survey of the land at High Field to discover the biodiversity gain of the land $=-£ 2706$, one off payment in 2021/22.

Village Hall
repairs required in 2021/22 $=506.02$, total in 2022/23 $=7631.51$, increase of 7125.49
Sports Club Grant payment = $-£ 2500$ one off payment made in 2021/22
The Villager being printed post pandemic - grant of $£ 400$ made in $2021 / 22$, $£ 480$ made in 2022/232 = 80.00 increase Caretaker
Scheme increase in scheme $=£ 280$ additional from last year. bags in 2022/23 increased by $£ 127.18$, from 206 to 333.18

Dog waste
required more this year than less $=50$ Meeting room one off occurred in 2022/23 $=584.36$

Jubilee expenses as a $=-1355+12169-2706+7125-2500+80+280+127+50+584+322=14176$

