Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: RUSHBURY PARISH COUNCIL

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): SHROPSHIRE

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).

	2019/2020 £	2020/2021 £	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	3,279	1,074				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	6,800	7,200	400	5.88%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	20	655	635	########	YES		Receipt of £642.13 accounting for VAT 126 Reclaim covering two financial periods
4 Staff Costs	4,379	3,000	-1,379	31.49%	YES		Period 2019/2020 included accrued salary (£1,500 less tax) from previous period that had been carried forward to be paid in this year
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	4,646	3,911	-735	15.82%	YES		Previous year included support for parish church (£300); Millennium Green Trust (£250) and Defibrillator parts (£228)
7 Balances Carried Forward	1,074	2,018			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	1,074	2,018				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments a	29,127	33,591	4,464	15.33%	YES		Re-evaluation of all assets with more material uplifts to a larger bus shelter (£1,300); small bus shelter (£300); Ball Court wire fencing (£500); Ball Court Surface(£1,700); Tennis Net (£280) and Laptop (£50)
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable