

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Plenmeller**
 County area (local councils and): **Northumberland**

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).

Opening Figures re-stated to include HDJBC share of 4.13% and a 25% agreed reduction

	2020 £	2021 £	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	3,177	2,846				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	2,670	2,670	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	2,602	2,240	-362	13.91%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	3,453	2,513	-940	27.22%	YES		Reduction of 25% share of HDJBC from previous year agreed by committee
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	2,148	2,406	258	12.01%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	2,846	2,838			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	2,846	2,838				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	20,363	16,721	-3,642	17.89%	YES		Reduction of 25% share of HDJBC from previous year agreed by committee
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable