

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Rushdon Parish Council**
 County area (local councils and): **Northamptonshire**

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);
- * 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).

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	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	38,414	57,930					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	5,800	6,000	200	3.45%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	25,550	16,546	-9,004	35.24%	YES	Grants received in 2018/19 included £2350 for defibrillator, £1620 for benches, £10948 for speed indicator device, £5520 for Summer Holiday Camps and £3354 for the community minibus. Private hire of the vehicle amounted to £1695. Grants received in 2019/20 included £750 for bus shelter repairs, £825 for renovation of telephone kiosk and £13,660 for recreation ground equipment. There was no grant for the minibus and private hire receipts amounted to £1287. In addition for both years there were minor sums for allotment rent and wayleave payments. In respect of the grant in 2019/20 for the recreation ground equipment, this work will be carried out during 2020/21.	
4 Staff Costs	2,782	2,972	190	6.83%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	9,052	38,079	29,027	320.67%	YES	Expenditure in 2018/19 additional to the normal costs of the Parish Council included £2356 for a defibrillator, £300 for highway licences and 31625 for benches. In 2019/20 the additional expenditure included £802 as a contribution for a speed limit extension, £750 for bus shelter repairs, £6420 for Summer Holiday Camps, £240 external audit fee, £239 for the depoit for a village sign, £10,191 for a speed indicator device and posts, £2449 for a contributing third party payment for grant application, £440 for emergency tree work, £10000 deposit for recreation ground equipment and £1485 for the 2019/20 and 2020/21 minibus insurance premiums.	
7 Balances Carried Forward	57,930	39,425			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED The main amount of the reserves is carried in the minibus account, (£30405 at the year end), to cover the replacement vehicle costs when required. The majority of these funds was passed over by Northamptonshire County Council when it handed over responsibility for the operation of the vehicle in 2009.	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	57,930	39,425				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	105,617	115,809	10,192	9.65%	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