

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Rushton Parish Council**

County area (local councils and **North Northamptonshire Council**)

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).

	20xx/xx £	20xx/xx £	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	57,930	39,425					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	6,000	6,700	700	11.67%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	16,546	26,386	9,840	59.47%	YES	Other receipts for 2020-21 and (2019-20): VAT Refund £3652, (£0); Grant for notice boards £5801, (£0); grant for Summer Holiday Camp 2021/22 £3680, (£0); grant for recreation ground equipment £11960, (£13660); grant for telephone kiosk £1200, (£825); way leave payment £3, (£3), Zoom contributions £89.94, (£0), grant for bus shelter repairs £0, (£750); hire fees for minibus £0, (£1287).	
4 Staff Costs	2,643	3,171	528	19.98%	YES	Clerk's hours increased by 10% and three increments given to acknowledge extra workload.	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	38,408	30,351	-8,057	20.98%	YES	Significant differences for 2020/21 and (2019/20): Travelling expenses £58, (£209); room hire £0, (£130); clock maintenance £636, (£0), New office boards £7346, (£0); recreation Ground equipment £16352, (£12449); Newsletter contribution £0, (£750); website maintenance £555, (£165); Speed indicator device £0, (£10856); Traffic regulation £0, (£802); Village sign £238, (£0); bus shelter repairs £0, (£750); Summer holiday camp £0, (£6420); refurbishment of telephone box £2169, (£0); bench repairs £312, (£0), minibus costs £0, (£3512).	
7 Balances Carried Forward	39,425	38,989			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED The majority of the balance is carried in the minibus account, £29104 at year end, to cover replacement costs. Most of these funds were handed over to the Parish Council when the then County Council passed ownership to the PC.	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	39,425	38,989				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	115,809	143,366	27,557	23.80%	YES	boards £6077; recreation ground equipment, £21960,	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable