

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **HOPESAY PARISH COUNCIL**  
 County area (local councils and 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 onwards:** 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).

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	13,265	10,123				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	13,320	13,940	620	4.65%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	4,223	3,914	-309	7.32%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	6,345	6,766	421	6.64%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	14,340	8,471	-5,869	40.93%	YES		2021/22 Payments included one-offs of £4,000 for speed indicator signs, and £1,320 on orchard trees for a Platinum Jubilee Orchard.
7 Balances Carried Forward	10,123	12,740			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	10,123	12,740				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	7,138	7,138	0	0.00%	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