

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **FIRBECK PARISH COUNCIL**  
 County area: **Yorkshire**

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).

	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	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	13,341	15,584				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	8,750	8,750	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	5,241	976	-4,265	81.38%	YES		VAT refund +£380, CIL receipts -£4158, Other receipts -£487
4 Staff Costs	2,698	2,686	-12	0.44%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	9,050	4,867	-4,183	46.22%	YES		Grants awarded -£1000, planting project +£69, Xmas tree festival +£514, village maintenance costs -£3550, office expenses -£153, training costs -£38, village hall room hire +£129, VAT paid -£226, other +£72
7 Balances Carried Forward	15,584	17,757			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	15,584	17,757				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	2,257	2,457	200	8.86%	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