

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Ashchurch Rural Parish Council**

County area (local councils and Gloucestershire)

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, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	68,633	41,262				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	34,550	70,100	35,550	102.89%	YES		requirements (as per attached tab), also legal fees in relation to a judicial review against Tewkesbury Borough Council
3 Total Other Receipts	35,903	12,346	-23,557	65.61%	YES		judicial review against Tewkesbury Borough Council. A Locality Grant of £1238.00 was received
4 Staff Costs	26,293	39,150	12,857	48.90%	YES		expanding parish council - In previous year cost was £26,229.17 In this year cost was £39,150.26,
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	71,531	33,977	-37,554	52.50%	YES		against Tewkesbury Borough Council which resulted in a decrease of expenditure this year.
7 Balances Carried Forward	41,262	50,581			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	41,262	50,580				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	48,435	53,914	5,479	11.31%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings			0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable