

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Marston St Lawrence Parish Council**  
 County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **South Northants**

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	3,228	3,548				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,900	3,900	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	914	347	-567	62.04%	YES		CIL money was received in 2020/21. A grant for Parish Mapping was received in 2021/22
4 Staff Costs	614	600	-14	2.28%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	454	227	-227	50.00%	YES	One payment was left.	
6 All Other Payments	3,426	2,540	-886	25.86%	YES		Public lighting costs in 2020/21 were £1339.00 compared to £617.00 in 2021/22
7 Balances Carried Forward	3,548	4,428			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	3,548	4,428				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	6,588	6,588	0	0.00%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	224	0	-224	100.00%	YES	Loan has finished	

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable