

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **HALTON-WITH-AUGHTON PARISH COUNCIL**

County area (local councils and **LANCASHIRE**)

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).

	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	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	9,874	12,139				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	36,169	38,213	2,044	5.65%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	13,293	20,170	6,877	51.73%	YES		Unexpected £10,000 Small Business Rate grant (COVID related) received in April 2020
4 Staff Costs	17,080	17,958	878	5.14%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	4,138	0	-4,138	100.00%	YES		Public Works Loan Board loan repaid in 2019-20
6 All Other Payments	25,979	38,552	12,573	48.40%	YES		Unplanned £16,800 spent on replacing a sports ground surface in September 2020 (using the £10,000 grant above)
7 Balances Carried Forward	12,139	14,012			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	12,139	14,012				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	556,634	573,437	16,803	3.02%	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