

Explanation of variances – pro forma								
Name of smaller authority:	Martham Parish Council							
County area (local councils and parish meetings only):								
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, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)	
1 Balances Brought Forward	37,196	51,755				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees		
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	47,069	53,279	6,210	13.19%	NO			
3 Total Other Receipts	36,820	24,389	-12,431	33.76%	YES	2020-21 MPC received £11,000 in CV-19 Grant funding + £1244 in additional allotment plot payments	2020-21 MPC received £11,000 in CV-19 Grant funding + £1244 in additional allotment plot payments	
4 Staff Costs	38,570	44,484	5,914	15.33%	YES	Caretaker received a payrise to reach minimum wage. Back pay from 2020-21 was also additional	On top of salary scale point annual increase the Caretaker received a payrise to reach minimum wage. Back pay from 2020-21 was also additional after NJC Pay agreement reached	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO			
6 All Other Payments	30,760	40,906	10,146	32.98%	YES	CC Water Bills increased = £1128.11/£2284.43. Xmas Tree £500.00. Village Sign £900. Graveyard Bins £719.02	CC Water Bills increased = £1128.11/£2284.43. Xmas Tree cost £500.00. Village Sign £900. Graveyard Bins £719.02	
7 Balances Carried Forward	51,755	44,033	5,345	-7.00%	NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED		
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	51,755	44,033				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED		
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments	45,738	44,738	-1,000	2.19%	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								
BOX 10 VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED IF CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY BOX 5 (CAPITAL PLUS INTEREST PAYMENT)								