

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Great And Little Carlton 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).

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	1,387	6,227	4,840				
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	800	1,000	200	25.00%	YES		Because the Parish council need to employ a clerk it was decided to increase the precept by 25% to help with the extra costs
3 Total Other Receipts	9,208	5,576	-3,632	39.44%	YES		During this year the Parish council didn't receive any grants for equipment or to cover the woodland maintenance
4 Staff Costs	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	5,168	13,572	8,404	162.62%	YES		During this period, Lincolnshire council over paid the precept by £11401.42, this had to be repaid making a large difference to the payments made
7 Balances Carried Forward	6,227	5,451			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB	The difference is due to extra costs involved for the grass cutting and general maintenance
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	6,227	5,451				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments at	6,227	5,451	-776	12.46%	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)