

**Explanation of variances – pro forma**

Name of smaller authority: **Hollitwood and Pateley Parish Council**

County area (local councils are Shropshire): **Shropshire**

Insert figures from Section 2 of the ACRS 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);
- a breakdown of approved reserves on the next tab if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/bates & levies value (Box 2).

	2018/19	2019/20	Variance	Variance	Explanation Required?
	£	£	£	%	
1 Balances Brought Forward	127,890	150,538			
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	189,299	228,060	39,777	21.13%	YES
3 Total Other Receipts	119,483	105,734	-13,732	11.49%	NO
4 Staff Costs	96,478	108,316	9,837	9.99%	NO
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	1,386	3,398	0	0.00%	NO
6 All Other Payments	183,228	182,413	857	5.23%	NO
7 Balances Carried Forward	160,836	178,813			NO
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	157,324	166,199			
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	84,504	86,836	5,352	5.66%	NO
10 Total Borrowings	59,388	57,878	-2,090	3.49%	NO

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable

Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)

Our Parish Strategy sets out a five year plan to provide services and facilities for the communities in our Parish. The Strategy for 2020/21 includes new projects like a drainage scheme for the allotment site (£4500), enhancement of The Muddy (a green space in our parish which has recently transferred to us from the Borough) and will include drainage, creating sensory gardens, walk routes and will provide adult and junior play equipment (£15,000), renewing the surface of the outdoor play experience at Rendley Community Centre (£216,000), and to undertake initial work on a Climate Change Scheme to include electric car-charging points and solar panels (£5000).