

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Mortimer West End Parish Council**

County area (local councils and): **Hampshire**

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);
- 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).

	20xx/xx £	20xx/xx £	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	28,771	26,396				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	8,500	8,500	0	0.00%	NO		<b>Receipts</b>
3 Total Other Receipts	977	1,816	839	85.88%	YES		wayleaves council grants
4 Staff Costs	2,574	3,092	518	20.12%	YES		VAT refunded Members Grant for Speed Indicator
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		Interest
6 All Other Payments	9,278	6,311	-2,967	31.98%	YES		<b>Staff Costs 2018/19 - £2574</b> <b>Staff costs 2019/20 - £3092</b>
7 Balances Carried Forward	26,396	27,309				<b>VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED</b>	
					YES	<b>EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE GREATER THAN TWICE INCOME FROM LOCAL TAXATION/LEVIES</b>	<b>Payments</b> Village maintenance
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	26,396	27,309				<b>VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED</b>	Administration Grants
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	63,756	63,756	0	0.00%	NO		Purchase of SID
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable

## Explanation for 'high' reserves

(Please complete the highlighted boxes.)

Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at:

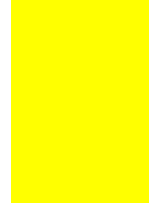
	£	£	£
<b>Earmarked reserves:</b>			
Playground fence repair/replace	4000		
Car Park improvements	5000		
Highway improvements	9300		
Reserve 4			
Reserve 5			
Reserve 6			
Reserve 7			
			<u>18300</u>
<b>General reserve</b>	9000		
			<u>9000</u>
<b>Total reserves (must agree to Box 7)</b>			<u><u>27300</u></u>

the year end:

Fence has been repaired several times but gates do not shut properly

Car park is owned by charity but Parish Council are planning to install barriers to stop anti-social behavior

Working with HCC on village gateway project and safety improvements in Soke Road. Expected in 2021,



/2022. Will cost around £15k

