

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Carsington and Hopton Parish Council**  
 County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

Insert figures from Section 1 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).

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	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	11,056	17,669				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	4,897	4,902	5	0.10%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	12,085	7,417	-4,668	38.63%	YES		2 Longcliffe W F grants, so £3,000 extra, and £1500 grant from Exton Trust in 2017/18.
4 Staff Costs	2,707	2,726	19	0.70%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	7,662	9,529	1,867	24.37%	YES		£1400 more windfarm grants given in 2018/19 and £467 more recurrent expenditure.
7 Balances Carried Forward	17,669	17,733				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE GREATER THAN TWICE INCOME FROM LOCAL TAXATION/LEVIES	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	17,669	17,733				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	64,795	66,994	2,199	3.39%	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