

# Explanation of variances 2020-21 – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Austrey Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **North Warwickshire**

Please provide **full explanations, including numerical values**, for the following:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- a breakdown of approved reserves if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

Section 2	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
<b>Box 2</b> <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	15345	15575	230	1.5	_____
<b>Box 3</b> <i>Total other receipts</i>	6197	13181	6984	113	£10000 COVID business support grant received. -£3000 income as the annual bonfire event could not take place due to COVID restrictions
<b>Box 4</b> <i>Staff costs</i>	5961	7894	1933	32	£1933 P/A pay increase awarded to the clerk by the council. This is the first such increase in 9 years, disregarding cost of living increases awarded by NALC.
<b>Box 5</b> <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	-	-	-	-	_____
<b>Box 6</b> <i>All other payments</i>	12649	22535	9886	78	£4700 donation made to the Village Hall to install a diability access ramp. £5196 to purchase a height restriction barrier for the playing fields. Both payments were made from the COVID support grant & are payments which would not have been made without this grant.
<b>Box 9</b> <i>Total fixed assets &amp; long term investments &amp; assets</i>	39526	45580	6054	15	£5196 of this increase is the purchase of the height restriction barrier at the playing fields. £625 was spent to replace/upgrade some CCTV equipment. £210 was spent on an additional dog waste bin.
<b>Box 10</b> <i>Total borrowings</i>	-	-	-	-	_____
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>	N/A				