

## Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **RUAN LANIHORNE 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);
- 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).

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	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	12,926	16,099				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	7,385	7,460	75	1.02%	NO		N/A
3 Total Other Receipts	1,218	1,653	435	35.71%	YES		Ruan Reading Room hire higher by £797.50 in 2019/20. Local Maintenance Partnership £285.08 higher in 2018/19 due to 2 years grant received in financial year. External grant income of £100.00 received in 2018/19. Council Tax Support Grant £0.05 lower in 2019/20.
4 Staff Costs	3,454	4,199	745	21.57%	YES		Increase in Clerk's hours from 22 hours to 25 hours per month, annual hourly rate increase (National Pay Award), increase to payscale and increase in expenses.
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	1,976	7,127	5,151	260.68%	YES		Expenditure increase in 2019/2020 primarily due to internal wall works to Ruan Reading Room £4,480.00, purchase of salt bins £238.75, painting of fingerposts £360.00, installation of footpath sign £40.00. Works to bus shelter in 2018/2019 £165.00 and in 2019/2020 £30.79. Reduction in electricity costs 2019/2020 amounting to £278.99. No other major variances.
7 Balances Carried Forward	16,099	13,886			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	16,099	13,586				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	17,145	16,985	-160	0.93%	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