

Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority: **Widecombe-in-the-Moor Parish Council**

County area (local councils and): **Teignbridge, Devon**

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);
- **New from 2020/21 onwards:** variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- 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).

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input. DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	12,882	10,436					
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	5,945	6,237	292	4.91%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	2,585	5,290	2,705	104.64%	YES	Donations towards community orchard: 2021-22 £0, 2022-23 £2880. Letting of parish land: 2021-22 £0, 2022-23 £1552. Purchase of commemorative benches on behalf of Widecombe History Group: 2021-22 £2040, 2022-23 £0. VAT reclaim 2021-22 £451, 2022-23 £823	
4 Staff Costs	3,433	4,080	647	18.85%	YES	12 months paid 2021/22, 13 months paid 2022/23 due to frequency of meetings. Also 7.2% increase in salary in 2022/23 (National Award).	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	7,543	6,021	-1,522	20.18%	YES	Tree work: 2021/22 £1765, 2022/23 £520. North Hall legal fees: 2021/22 £0, 2022/23 £1361. Commemorative benches: 2021/22 £2040, 2022/23 £0. S137 grants: 2021/22 £2100, 2022/23 £1204. Community orchard: 2021/22 £0, 2022/23 £1049. Training: 2021/22 £0, 2022/23 £123. Parish Field maintenance: 2021/22 £0, 2022/23 £150.	
7 Balances Carried Forward	10,436	11,862			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	10,436	11,862				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	3,821	5,952	2,131	55.77%	YES	Additional assets added to register following a review: Noticeboard £1110, commemorative bench £1020, Jubilee stone £1.	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable