

Explanation of significant variances in the accounting statements – AGAR Section 2

Parish Council name: **Shobnall Parish Council**

Please explain any variances of more than 15% or anything over £100k between the totals for individual boxes in Section 2. We do not require explanations for variances of less than £200; however, in some cases there may be 'compensating' variances which leave the overall total for a box relatively unchanged – e.g. where there was a major one-off project in one year (e.g. contribution to village hall extension of £30,000), but a totally different expense of a similar size in the next (e.g. purchase of playground equipment of £28,000). In such cases, it would be helpful to provide an explanation of movements within each box. We also ask you to explain any change where there is a movement to or from zero. Please either use the proforma below, or complete a separate schedule if more space is required.

Section 2	2020/ 21 £	2021/22 £	Variance (+/-) £	Detailed explanation of variance (for each reason noted please include monetary values (to nearest £10)
Box 2 <i>Precept</i>	32,876	33,862	+2.91% +£986	Councillors took consideration of the financial position of residents in deciding a fair and equitable amount and agreed a 3% increase for the 2021/22 Precept, this would cover the anticipated rise in the cost of supplies and services
Box 3 <i>Other income</i>	4,617	3,068	-50.49% -£1,549	-£1,340 reduced VAT on receipts -£9 reduced Interest received on Bank Account -£200 No sundry income received
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	10,087	10,274	+1.82% +£187	+£172 Nationally agreed pay award 2021/22 +15 Increased Employer's NI contribution
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital</i>	0	0		
Box 6 <i>Other payments</i>	21,429	19,108	-12.15% -£2,321	-£356 VAT on payments +£8 Mileage expenses +£4 Use of Home as Office +£13 Subscriptions -£25 Accounts software licence/support -£500 Website set-up fee -£84 Video conferencing fee (Zoom) -£15 IT Software -£81 Insurance premium -£194 Audit fees +£15 Payroll services +£185 Printing/Stationery

				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> -£240 Council mobile -£123 Publications +£49 Postage +£77 Room hire +£72 Meeting refreshments -£269 Training/Conference fees +£24 Bank charges +£3,394 s137 grant aid -£1,570 Litter picking -£30 Grass cutting -£3,990 Equipment R&M -£856 Sundries -£3,924 Contingency +£6,095 Projects
Box 7 <i>Balances carried forward</i>	73,107	80,655	+9.36% +£7,548	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> £10,000 Elections EMR £10,000 Bus shelter project EMR £34,100 Community projects EMR £5,000 Parish boundary signs EMR £5,000 IT equipment EMR £16,555 General Reserves
Box 9 <i>Fixed assets & long term assets</i>	16,837	16,837	0%	There was no movement during the financial year.
Box 10 <i>Total borrowing</i>	0	0		