

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **LUPPITT PARISH COUNCIL**

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

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	2021/22 £	2022/23	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 1 Balances brought forward	8,951	14,777	5,826		Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required – Balance brought forward agrees
Box 2 Precept or Rates or Levies	12,000	12,000	0	0%	Explanation not required
Box 3 Total other receipts	31,945	8,676	-23,269	72.84%	<u>As background information:</u> in 2021/22, a group of parishioners raised a total of £29,762 to provide a new play area. The money was paid into the Parish Council account. The Parish Council purchased the equipment and is responsible for insurance, maintenance and regular inspections. The Parish Council did not contribute any money to the project. To explain the variance of minus £23,269, in 2022/23 the Parish Council did not receive the funding of £29,762 received in 2021/22 but received an additional VAT refund of £6,416 as compared with 2021/22. Minus £29,762 - £6,416 = minus £23,346 against a variance of minus £23,269.
Box 4 Staff costs	6,193	6,193	0	0%	Explanation not required
Box 5 Loan Interest/ Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	Explanation not required

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Box 6 All other payments	31,926	19,930	-11,996	37.57%	<p>Expenditure on play area in 2022/23 totalled £10,792 as against £24,921 in 2021/22 (minus £14,129).</p> <p>Net additional expenditure on other items in 2022/23 was £1,994.</p> <p>(Additional expenditure in 2022/23 not incurred in 2021/22 included purchase of 2 defibrillator batteries, laptop for clerk, Neighbourhood Plan, additional insurance for play area, children's Christmas party, sign for play area.)</p> <p>Therefore, minus £14,129 less £1,994 = minus £12,135 against a variance of minus £11,996.</p>
Box 7 Balances carried forward	14,777	9,330	5,447		Variance explanation not required
Box 8 Total cash and short term investments	14,777	9,330	5,447		Variance explanation not required
Box 9 Total fixed assets	18,543	48,305	29,762	160.50%	Full cost of play area (£29,762) now added to the Assets Register
Box 10 Total borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	Explanation not required