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

Parish Council name: SHIPBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

**Please explain any variances of more than 15% 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.

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| **Section 2** | **2021/22£** | **2022/23£** | **Variance (+/-) £** | **Detailed explanation of variance**  **(for each reason noted please include monetary values (to nearest £100)** |
| Box 2  *Precept* | 12,337 | 12,175 | -162 | N/A |
| Box 3  *Other income* | 1,448 | 898 | -550  37% | 21/22 members grant £200, vat refund £1148, donation £138 plus interest payments.  22/23 Vat refund £829 and interest payments |
| Box 4  *Staff costs* | 5,483 | 5,916 | +433 | N/A |
| Box 5  *Loan interest/ capital* | 0 | 0 | 0 | N/A |
| Box 6  *Other payments* | 6,893 | 11,819 | +4,926  71% | In 2022 we paid 2 years grass cutting £2,568 (£1,284) and donated towards church approach resurfacing £3,874 |
| Box 7  *Balances carried forward* | 22,933 | 18,270 | -4,663  20% | **If some of the year-end balances are earmarked for specific purposes rather than as a general reserve, please provide a breakdown. You do not need to explain the year-on-year variance for this box.** |
| Box 9  *Fixed assets & long-term assets* | 11,060 | 11,784 | +724 | **Explain all movements in this category and not just those above 15%**  Miscalculation in last year’s figures |
| Box 10  *Total borrowing* | 0 | 0 |  |  |