

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

Parish Council name: Hunton Parish Council

Please explain any variances of more than 15% between the totals for individual boxes in Section 20/e 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	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance +/- £	Variance +/- %	Explanation Required?		Detailed explanation of variance
Box 1: Balances Brought Forward	70,787	74,659				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required	
Box 2: Precept	26,338	26,338	0	0.00%	NO		
Box 3: Other income	4,760	25,976	21,216	445.71%	YES		Increase in Parish Services Scheme funding +£38; Increase in solar panels FIT receipts +£12; CIL Neighbourhood Receipts received in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£6,107; Transfer of funds from defunct Fete Committee for an Entertainment Fund in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£4,247; South East Water Community Fund grant received in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£10,185; Increase in VAT reimbursement from HMRC +£627
Box 4: Staff Costs	5,185	5,627	442	8.52%	NO		
Box 5: Loan interest/capital	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
Box 6: Other Payments	22,041	34,968	12,927	58.65%	YES		Increase in Chairman's Allowance +£222; Increase in Clerk's travel expenses +£39; Decrease in postage -£14; Decrease in stationery & office expenses -£74; Decrease in subscriptions -£60; Increase in telephone costs +£60; Increase in insurance +£21; Increase in annual grant to King George's Field +£417; Football Club changing rooms rewire/other refurbishment in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£3,600; Decrease in expenditure on open spaces -£164; Decrease in footpath maintenance -£500; Increase in highways costs +£53; Increase in contribution to village hall insurance +£78; Grant towards refurbishment of village hall toilets in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£4,000; Grant towards new infrared heaters in the village hall in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£2,500; Payment of South East Community Fund grant to sports clubs and village hall in 2022/23, £0 in 2021/22 +£10,185; Decrease in streetlighting cost -£411; Increase in CCTV maintenance +£6; Additional CCTV equipment in 2021/22, £0 in 2022/23 -£990; Decrease in training -£70; Decrease in s137 expenditure -£500; Queen's Platinum Jubilee costs in 2022/23, none in 2021/22 +£642; Decrease in website -£135; Increase in Annual Parish Meeting costs +£72; Decrease in defibrillator maintenance -£127; Removal of old cricket pavilion in 2021/22, £0 in 2022/23 -£3,098; Purchase of storage container in 2021/22, £0 in 2022/23 -£2,000; Decrease in VAT on expenditure -£825.
Box 7: Balances carried forward	74,659	86,378				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.	Road signage fund £9,947; Entertainment fund £4,247; General fund £72,184
Box 8: Total cash and short term investments	74,659	86,378				Variance explanation not required	
Box 9: Fixed assets & long term assets	133,810	133,810	0		NO	Explain all movements in this category and not just those above 15%	No movement
Box 10: Total borrowing	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		