

Explanation of variances

Name of smaller authority:

Mersham Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

Kent

Insert figures from Section 1 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

	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	Variance £	Variance %						Explanation Require d?	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	0	5,089								Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	0	25,724	25,724	#DIV/0!	0	1	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward does not agree, query this	50% of the left over funds following the closure of the Mersham with Sevington Parish Council
3 Total Other Receipts	0	2,934	2,934	#DIV/0!	0	1	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	Precept was set in November 2019 when still part of the Mersham with Sevington Parish Council with forecast costings	
4 Staff Costs	0	6,142	6,142	#DIV/0!	0	1	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	A grant for a speedsign and the settingup of the website were provided = 2145.25 Concurrent Functions and Council Tax Support Grants were received = £776 Interest was received = £12.56 12.56+2145.25+776 = 2933.81	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	0	NO		

6 All Other Payments	0	9,253	9,253	#DIV/0!	0	1	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	<p>The Caretaker costs were £7515 Working from home allowance = £180 Litter picker equipment = £30.98 Membership to Kent Association of Local Councils = £481.34 Printing of Covid newsletter = £61.97 Internal Audit costs = £65.00 Website setup = £14.69 Insurance = £495.42 Covid-19 supplies for volunteers = £48.74 Clerks Expenses = £79.09 Play area inspection and repairs = £107.4+£11.32 Dog waste bags = £103.24 Training = £58.57 7515+180+30.98+481.34+65+14.69+495.42+48.74+79.09+107.4+11.32+103.24+58.57+61.97 = 9253</p>
7 Balances Carried Forward	0	18,352								<p>VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED</p>
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	0	18,352								<p>VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED</p>
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	0	45,578	45,578	#DIV/0!	0	1	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	0	0	0	NO		