

Explanation of significant variances in the accounting statements - Section 2

Parish Council name: Wigginton and Hopwas 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	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	Variance (+/-) £	Detailed explanation of variance (for each reason noted please include monetary values (to nearest £10))
Box 2 <i>Precept</i>	20,000	22,000	2,000 10%	
Box 3 <i>Other income</i>	1,548	5,258	3,710 240%	£3820 additional VAT refunds compared to last year due to increased spending on asset replacement with recoverable VAT
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	6,417	7,502	1,086 17%	£1070 Overtime and training hours, additional workload (previous clerk had 3 parishes benefitted from economies of scale) Coronavirus regulations, changes to meeting prep, CiLCA, policy changes. Clerk contract increased from 8hrs to 12hrs per week.
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/capital</i>	0	0	0	
Box 6 <i>Other payments</i>	10,053	34,015	23,962 238%	£21,924 spent on double yellow lines (£3,522) replacement fencing (£17,387) replacement litter bin (£535) replacement signage (£480) Additional £2000 donated to CMG Trust for play area maintenance
Box 7 <i>Balances carried forward</i>	35,215	20,956	-14,259 -40%	£17,387 for replacement fencing used some Asset Replacement reserves, Earmarked reserves now £5k for contingency & £15k for asset replacement
Box 9 <i>Fixed assets & long-term assets</i>	Re-stated from 71,551 to 71,557	85,333	13,776 19%	Last years figure restated by £6 as 6 items were not included in the asset register with unknown acquisition date & value. Nominal £1 adjustment for each for 2 x Litter bin, 3 x dog bins and 1 x dog bag dispenser. This year disposal of assets £1601 (£1,500 Wooden Fencing at HPF, £100 signage, £1 litter bin) This year's accrual of assets £15,377 (£14,489 Bow Top Steel Fencing, £466 litter bin, £422 signage) £71,557 - £1,601 + £15,377 = £85,333
Box 10 <i>Total borrowing</i>	0	0	0	