

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Loders Parish Council**

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

Insert figures from Section 2 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 relevant:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- a breakdown of approved reserves on the next tab if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	10,551	14,711				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward does not agree, query this	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	10,000	12,000	2,000	20.00%	YES		Precept increased by £2,000 to cover parish maintenance following the reorganisation at district and county level to a unitary authority and the increasing costs of maintaining the play area.
3 Total Other Receipts	4,430	2,771	-1,659	37.45%	YES		LGCT Grant: LGCT grant from WDDC no longer applicable -49 , Allotments: increase in rents to include allotment insurance 134 , Burial Income: fewer burials -182 , Grants/Donations: DAPTC website grant, WDDC defibrillator grant, S106 grant 1436 , Other: no CIL income and PAYE refund -3191 , VAT: 2017/18 VAT received in 2018/19 194 TOTAL -1658
4 Staff Costs	4,076	5,416	1,340	32.88%	YES		Clerks contracted hours were increased from 25 hours to 40 hours per month from 1st June 2018.
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		N/A
6 All Other Payments	6,195	5,589	-606	9.78%	NO		N/A
7 Balances Carried Forward	14,710	18,477			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	14,711	18,477				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	35,620	35,700	80	0.22%	NO		N/A
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		N/A

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable