

Explanation of variances – Stoke by Nayland Parish Council 2019/20

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).

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (<u>must include narrative and supporting figures</u>)
1 Balances Brought Forward	15,579	27,057				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward does not agree, query this	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	12,385	12,823	438	3.54%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	7,889	8,425	536	6.79%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	3,066	3,053	-13	0.43%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	278	557	278	100.00%	YES		The reason for the variance is that two payments were made in 19/20 vs one in 18/19 which was the first year of the loan.
6 All Other Payments	5,452	20,520	15,068	276.37%	YES		The principal reasons for the variance were payments in 2019/20 of: £6,196.88 for street lighting works £4,320 for the Landscape Character Assessment £2,254 for return of unspent grant funds £1,092 for refurbishment of the war memorial £522 for clock maintenance £459 for insurance related to the Recreation Ground £220 for speed gun recalibration
7 Balances Carried Forward	27,056	24,174			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	27,057	24,174			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	52,678	52,678	0	0.00%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	4,774	4,315	-459	9.62%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable