

**Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council, Shropshire**

**Explanation of significant variances in the accounting statements – Section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2021.**

Please provide **full explanations, including numerical values**, for the following:

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

<b>Section 1</b>	<b>2019/20 £</b>	<b>2020/21 £</b>	<b>Variances (+/-) £</b>	<b>Detailed explanation of variances</b>
<b>Box 1</b>	10,965	21,714		
<b>Box 2</b> <i>Precept</i>	21,500	23,500	2,000	-
<b>Box 3</b> Other income	23,621	6,991	16,630	Previous year: £12,285 in Community Infrastructure Levy Neighbourhood Funds, £780 OG35 book sales, £8,445 National Lottery grant for 4 defibrillators, Current year: None of the above but West Mercia Police Grant £5,000 towards Vehicle Activated Signs
<b>Box 4</b> Staff costs	7,753	8,670	917	
<b>Box 5</b> Loan interest/capital	NIL	NIL	-	
<b>Box 6</b> Other payments	26,619	20,004	6,615	Reduction in previous year: Admin £550, Street Lights £200, Community Actions £2,365, OG35 Book £975, Traffic Calming Gates £4,633, Community Grants £750, 4 Defibrillators £7600. Current year: Increase of Newsletter costs £500, Increase of VAT paid £700, 2 Vehicle Activated Signs £7,777. Deposit on new Bus Shelter £1,400.
<b>Box 7</b>	21,714	23,531		
<b>Box 8</b>	21,714	23,531		
<b>Box 9</b> Fixed assets & long term assets	63,112	70,889	7,777	Purchase of 2 Vehicle Activated Signs for traffic calming
<b>Box 10</b> Total borrowing	NIL	NIL	-	
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>				

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