

## Explanation of variances –

### Pampisford Parish Council

The JPAG 'Practitioners' Guide' (paragraph 2.15 onwards) provides guidance on explaining significant variances. Please provide explanations for the following:

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

Section 1	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
<b>Box 2</b> <i>Precept</i>	12,000	12,500	500	4	
<b>Box 3</b> <i>Other receipts</i>	5,869	4015	-1,854	-32	VAT reclaimed for 2 years £2,700 previous year, this year £1,670 Grant of £900 for Neighbourhood Plan down from £2,500 last year. Overpayment of insurance reimbursed £64
<b>Box 4</b> <i>Staff costs</i>	5809	5764	-45	-1	
<b>Box 5</b> <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	
<b>Box 6</b> <i>Other payments</i>	14,782	19,424	+4,642	+31	Large expenditure last year: installation of adult gym equipment (£3,589 + £1,170) and gate installation (£960) = £5,719 This year: £4,000 LHI contribution (traffic island), £2,954 housing survey, £3,343 2 <sup>nd</sup> speed sign = £10,297
<b>Box 9</b> <i>Fixed assets &amp; long term assets</i>	92,800	92,800	0	0	
<b>Box 10</b> <i>Borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>	Box 7 is close to twice Box 2 because ....  (Reserves reduced to below Precept having expended on carried over budget for Local Highways Initiative contribution for traffic calming, housing survey for Neighbourhood Plan and additional speed sign.)				