Terrington Parish Council

Explanation of variances 2021-22

Full explanations, including numerical values, are given, as follows:

- For variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- For variances of £100,000 or more regardless of the % variation year on year;
- Where the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2), a breakdown of approved reserves is given

	2019/20	2020/21	Variance	Variance	Explan- ation	Explanation (to include narrative and supporting figures)
	£	£	£	%	Required?	
1 Balances Brought Forward	4439	5342				
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3131	3,180	49	1.56%	NO	
3 Total Other Receipts	1162	4183	3021	259.98%	YES	Increase due to (i) £2000 donation from Yorkshire Water, (ii) VAT refund for current year of £522 in addition to refund for previous year, in order to bring refunds into line with payments, (iii) £560 higher burial fee income.
4 Staff Costs	0	542	542	∞	YES	The Council has had a paid Clerk since September 2021. In the previous financial year a councillor fulfilled the role without payment.

5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	
6 All Other Payments	3390	3781	391	11.53%	NO	
7 Balances Carried Forward	5342	8382			YES	Earmarked reserves are: £2000 for necessary work on the Cemetery boundary, £1500 for tree work which is often needed at short notice, and £500 towards the eventual replacement of the defibrillator which is now 4 years old. This leaves a General Reserve of £4382 out of which £500 is committed to bridge replacement, leaving a General Reserve of approximately 85% of expected annual expenditure, which is within recommended limits.
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	5342	8382				
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets	15790	18935	3145	19.92%	YES	Items have been revalued on the basis of cost of acquisition as specified in the Governance and Accountability for Local Councils: A Practitioner's Guide (England) 2022 para. 5.64, without allowance for depreciation. Also, new grit bins have been purchased at a cost of £185.
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	

Rounding errors of up to £2 and variances of £200 or less are tolerable.

Box 10 variance explanation not required if change can be explained by box 5 (capital plus interest payment).