Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

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);
- New from 2020/21: variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- 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).

	2019/2020 £	2020/2021 £	Variance £	Variance %		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	293,181	487,942				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	28,225	30,250	2,025	7.17%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	319,671	126,008	-193,663	60.58%	YES		The reduction in receipts is because in 2019/2020 the Parish Council received £312,690 in CIL money whereas in 2020/2021 CIL received was £121,165
4 Staff Costs	8,187	8,122	-65	0.80%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	144,947	171,245	26,298	18.14%	YES		The Increase in spend is due to the Parish Council spending CIL money on projects such as kissing gates and CCTV installation
7 Balances Carried Forward	487,942	464,833			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE GREATER THAN TWICE INCOME FROM LOCAL TAXATION/LEVIES	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	465,880	456,209				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments an	75, 049	109,032	33,983	45.28%	YES		The asset register was reviewed in 2020-2021 and it was noted the asset register was missing the war memoral. The whole asset asset register was reviewed, revised and adopted.
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable