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 <u>Blue</u> 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 onwards: 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).

	2020/21 £	2021/22 £	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	121,195	59,941				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	29,130	29,697	567	1.95%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	43,558	18,785	-24,773	56.87%	YES		2020-21 New Village Park: Grant income total £11,600 and VAT reclaim of £19,788 2021-22 Grant income £6,000. Resident donations for benches, trees and bulb planting £3,788. VAT reclaim not yet submitted Cemetery income £1500 lower than average year due to Covid.
4 Staff Costs	20,101	21,793	1,692	8.42%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	113,841	26,797	-87,044	76.46%	YES		2020-21 New Village Park: Cost £76,704 for play equipment, groundwork and landscaping etc. Grass cutting increased by £1,800. £2,000 Covid relief grant to Social Club. VAT payments approx £15,500 higher than 2019-20 2021-22 Village Park spending only £4,088. Total payments are comparable with 2019-20 (£26,364)
7 Balances Carried Forward	59,941	59,833				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
			-		YES	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	59,941	59,833				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	l
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	82,559	82,559	0	0.00%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable