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 onwards: variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;

	2023/24	2024/25	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	69,332	14,115				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	25,387	26,650	1,263	4.97%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	41,140	31,382	-9,758	23.72%	YES		In 24-25 we received £27,746 less in grants, £156 less in bank interest, and £280 less in community hub refunds as this has now finished. In 24-25 we received £10,689 more on VAT refund due to large project undertaken in 23-24. Cemetery fees increased by £3448, The grass cutting scheme from LCC increased by £1702, a refund from a project contractor of £2274 was received, and a refund of insurance was received from the Keelby Sports Association of £311.
4 Staff Costs	10,757	13,446	2,689	25.00%	YES		In 24-25 our handyman retired so there was a period where they overlapped so handyman costs increased by £382. Clerk salary increased by £1285 due to rise in pay point and statutory increase, and HMRC increased by £1022
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	110,977	26,581	-84,396	76.05%	YES		£4371 less spent on Admin, utilities & CSW, £200 less on rent, £1505 less paid out in grants,£199 less in insurance, £6830 less in maintenance and £72654 less in capital projects. £333 more has been spent on annual renewals, £131 on audit fees, £127 more on fuel, £72 more on grass cutting, £73 more on machinery repairs, £420 more on room hire and £207 more on training.
7 Balances Carried Forward	14,115	32,120				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	0	0				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	l
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments ar	960,041	956,174	-3,867	0.40%	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