## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Courty area (local councils and par<mark>ish meetings only):
Insert figures from Section 1 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</mark> green boxes where relevant:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- 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).

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	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	20,412	20,634				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	22,500	22,500	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	3,313	939	-2,374	71.66%	YES		In 2017/18 we received a VAT reclaim of £2,531.02 and in 2018/19 our VAT reclaim was £134.71
4 Staff Costs	5,676	6,111	435	7.66%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	19,915	18,247	-1,668	8.38%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	20,634	19,715			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	0	0				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	As: 93,000	93,500	500	0.54%	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

BOX 10 VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED IF CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY BOX 5 (CAPITAL PLUS INTEREST PAYMENT)

## **Explanation for 'high' reserves**

(Please complete the highlighted boxes.)

Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:

