Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Barnigham Parish Council**

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);
- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- **New from 2025/26 onwards**: variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £6,500,000

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	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	18,969	22,702				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	40,000	45,000	5,000	12.50%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	2,697	12,606	9,909	367.41%	YES		Misc* +£510, interest +£264., Burials +£566, VAT +5814, SCC Grant +£2000, WS Grant +£1850. Less NHP Grant -£1095 (* Misc comprising of: £49.50+ clothing bank, +£100 bank comp, +£465 traffic grant, +£233 Selfhelp Grant, +£105 equipment reimbursement. Less -£200 War Memorial Grant, -£175 Cricket Meadow Grant, -£68 Training reimbursement.)
4 Staff Costs	26,358	28,943	2,585	9.81%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	12,606	21,493	8,887	70.50%	YES		Traffic count +£558, S137 Air Ambulance donation +£200, NHP +£1314, SID +£3427, Play Area +£369, Grass Cutting +£1966, Playing Field +£1649, Office admin expenses +£1092, Hall hire +£57, Subscriptions +£132, Data Protecion +£73, Audit +£10, Insurance +£54. Less Aggies maint -£258, Church maint -£778, General maint -£201, Training -£176, Hedge maint -£600.
7 Balances Carried Forward	22,702	29,872				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments						VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and			0	0.00%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings			0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable