Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Little Melton PC

County area (local councils and South Norfolk

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);
- 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).

	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	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	62,088	57,448				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	21,736	22,971	1,235	5.68%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	7,758	40,599	32,841	423.32%	YES		In 2019 we received £23990 CIL and £12401 commuted sum towards the future maintenance of a new open space, however the VAT refund was only £3392 compared to £6363 in 2018
4 Staff Costs	624	624	0	0.00%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	33,510	25,079	-8,431	25.16%	YES		In 2018 we spent £14452 on new heating and other improvements to the village hall, only £3858 was spent in 2019 on hall maintenance.
7 Balances Carried Forward	57,448	95,316			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	57,488	95,316				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments a	nc 1,143,700	1,143,700	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

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:

