Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Blundeston & Flixton 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);
- 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 %	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	78,362	81,964				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	9,223	9,764	541	5.87%	NO		
							The difference of £5589 is due to cil payment of £827.59.A Wedding in the village hall £200 ,more VaT claimed back of £1289.04,Northern Parish Grant £1460.00, and £180.00 from East Suffolk for Road signs,and £1200.00 from Northern Parish ,difference between East Suffolk Locaility budget of £457.00 from last year to this year
3 Total Other Receipts	1,712	7,301	5,589	326.46%	YES		
4 Staff Costs	1,950	1,973	23	1.18%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	5,383	20,752	15,369	285.51%	YES		
							The Difference of £15384 is due to £192 for concrete post around the pond,,Fence for Millenium Green £4286.40 plus another £2040.00 to complete the fence,Planters for blundeston in bloom £1018.20,Church Fund £150 extra,Painting railings and 2 springs for Zipwire in playpark £553.91,New chain for swing £203.40,Footpath signs £41.64,Tree cutting £480.00,Dog bins £277.20,Signs For blundston in bloom£180.00,Footpath in Market lane £6000.00.
7 Balances Carried Forward	81,964	76,304				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	£50,000 received relating to telecoms mast to be spent on asset for village perpetuity
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	81,964	76,304				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	380,474	380,933	459	0.12%	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