Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Pilling Parish Council

County area (local councils and Lancashire

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).

	2017/18		Variance V	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	£ 67,523	£ 59,730	£	%		Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	54,000	56,000	2,000	3.70%	NO	
3 Total Other Receipts	7,838	14,568	6,730	85.86%	YES	Pilling Parish Council installed a second ANPR camera on Eagland Hill with the assistance of grants from Grantscape £5,000, the Moons Trust £1,000 and Eagland Hill Residents £914. The Grounds Maintenance contracts were £1,100 more than last year as one of the contracts missed last year and paid twice this year. Increase in bank interest or £13, VAT reclaim £700 and the Senior Citizen's Christmas Party raised more support £120. There were a number of items which were less than last year, donations -£900. [Olothing Collection for residents, -£752 and administration -£100. Pilling Parish Council works that two other councils when large projects need more than one person, but the Parish Lengthsman was not sub contracted during this year -£476 on last year.
4 Staff Costs	39,741	42,513	2,772	6.98%	NO	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	
6 All Other Payments	29,890	47,323	17,433	58.32%	YES	In 2002 Pilling Parish Council earmarked £20,000 for a sports field in the parish. Pilling Memorial Hall has relocated to a larger site with capacity for a sports field and the Council resolved to grant this money for the benefit of sporting facilities on the field. A second ANPR camera and pole was installed on Eagland Hill £7,384. Replacement sit-on mower £2,900 and Leaf Blower, £1,194. Donations increased by £600 with a donation towards the community field insurance, parish insurance by £100 and subscriptions £160. There were a number of items which the council did not spend as much on; Administration -£300, Pilling Newsletter (change of printer) -£300 and the Senior Citizen's Christmas Party did not cost as much this year -£300.
7 Balances Carried Forward	59,730	40,462			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 Assets	53,044	51,036	-2,008	3.79%	NO	
10 Total Borrowings			0	0.00%	NO	

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable