Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Winterborne St Martin PC County area (local councils and 1 Dorset Council (West Dorset) Insert figures from Section 2 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 green boxes where relevant:

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Variations of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than 12200),
New from 2020/21: 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).

	2019/20 £	2020/21 £	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	12,142	12,466				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	5,500	7,000	1,500	27.27%	YES		Increase in precept in line with budget
3 Total Other Receipts	2,339	955	-1,384	59.17%	YES		reduction in income due to no grant funding in year(-950), no vat return (-509) but addititional income from Allotments (75) + £1384
4 Staff Costs	3,341	3,522	181	5.42%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	4,174	4,066	-108	2.59%	NO		
7 Balances Carried Forward	12,466	12,833			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	12,466	12,833				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments an	60,148	59,517	-631	1.05%	NO		reduction in assets, 1 bench disposed of, troughs and BT phone box added
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable