Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Fenny Bentley Parish Council

County area (local councils and Derbyshire

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: 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 % | | 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 | 5,255 | 4,595 | | | | Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees | |
| 2 Precept or Rates and Levies | 1,400 | 1,600 | 200 | 14.29% | NO | | |
| 3 Total Other Receipts | 240 | 610 | 370 | 154.17% | YES | Local Project Fund Grant £250; Footpath Maintenance Grant £120. | |
| 4 Staff Costs | 201 | 840 | 639 | 317.91% | YES | Council now employs Clerk, previous Clerk had been volunteer. Clerk started work in Jan 2020 hence staff costs were only £201 in 2019/20. | |
| 5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | NO | | |
| 6 All Other Payments | 2,099 | 1,972 | -127 | 6.05% | NO | | |
| 7 Balances Carried Forward | 4,595 | 3,993 | | | 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 | 4,595 | 3,993 | | | | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED | |
| 9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and | 10,071 | 10,071 | 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