Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Bracebridge Heath 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

- 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 (60x 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value

| | 2021/22 £ | 2022/23 £ | 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 | 236,304 | 253,617 | | | | Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees |
| 2 Precept or Rates and Levies | 148,962 | 152,025 | 3,063 | 2.06% | NO | |
| 3 Total Other Receipts | 15,246 | 33,580 | 18,334 | 120.25% | YES | Variances mainly relate to the receipt of CIL Funding and a income benefit from the release of land from a Council lease. Specific variances are identified below: £15246 (income in 2021/2022) + £10876 (CIL funding received in 2022/2023) + £5931 (income benefit from the release of land from a council lease) + £1774 (Increased income from the hire of the recreation ground and pavillon) + £099 (increased income from rental of allotments) + £999 (increased income from County Council - contribution towards maintenance of grass verges) = £33535 |
| 4 Staff Costs | 61,017 | 73,683 | 12,666 | 20.76% | YES | Variances relate to staffing restructures and delay in seeing the full year effect of these changes. £61017 (staffing costs for year ending March 2022) + £8393 (Full year effect of the staffing restructure which took place in September 2021) + £3173 (cost of implementing NJC pay award announced in October 22) + £1193 (cost of salary scale increments increases) = £73663 |
| 5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.00% | NO | |
| 6 All Other Payments | 85,878 | 105,692 | 19,814 | 23.07% | YES | £85878 (expenditure 2021/2022) + £18855 (Additional play park replacements and repairs carried out in 2022/23) + £5966 (increased cost of insurance) + £5520 (new costs relating to village hall) + £5424 (new costs relating to architect fees) - £15219 (fewer costs relating to streetlight repairs as columns were replaced in year ending March 22) - £1665 (fewer parish council grants awarded) = £105759 |
| 7 Balances Carried Forward | 253,617 | 259,847 | | | NO | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED |
| 8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments | 276,784 | 262,177 | | | | VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED |
| 9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Assets | 761,707 | 770,426 | 8,719 | 1.14% | 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