Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority: The Charltons Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): Somerset
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 %		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	34,311	25,522				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	15,500	16,000	500	3.23%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	7,313	2,823	-4,490	61.40%	YES		2020/21 - Grants received for Project Chartlons totalling £4518, Bank compensation £150, £1038 received to pay for damage to Fingerpost, £725 Welham Field Rent (incl. £250 paid in advance for 21/22), VAT Refund £596 = £7027 2021/22 - £1675 Grants received from SCC (Opening up Safely), £250 refund from cancelled Play Day, £250 rent received (less £250 paid in advance in 20/21), VAT Refund £384 = 2559.00. (£7027 - £2559 = £4468)
4 Staff Costs	4,159	4,518	359	8.63%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	27,443	16,683	-10,760	39.21%	YES		2020/21 - Projects Charltons totalling 17,444, Pond dredging £696, Xmas Trees £246, Signage/Defibs £813, Website £191, Churchyard Maint £691, Youth Club £1550 = £21631. 2021/22 - Project Charltons £3000, Youth Club £3250, Fingerpost £844, Xmas Trees 392, New Website £1002, QPJ Mugs £557, Legal Fees £253, Churchyard Maint £1200, Library Grant £400 = £10,898 (£21,631 - £10,898 = £10,733)
7 Balances Carried Forward	25,522	23,144			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	25,522	23,144				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	l
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments a	6,6 42	6,642	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