## **Explanation of variances**

This is prepared based on information in "Governance and Accountability for Local Councils : a Practitioner's Guide"

Important note: These figures have been prepared on a RECEIPTS and PAYMENTS basis.

Box No.	Description	31/03/2022 £	31/03/2023 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Notes
1	Balances brought fwd	9631	15465				BALANCE B/F AGREES
2	Annual precept	4553	4553	0	0%	No	
3	Total other receipts	3463	3510	46	1%	No	
4	Staff Costs	0	419	419	N/A	No	Payment of monies due to the estate of M Davies.
5	Loan interest/capital repayments	0	0	0	0%	No	
6	Total other payments	2182	11266	9084	416%	Yes	Return of ward grant, May Festival grant. New IT equipment: laptop, colour laser and label printer. New defibrillator, cabinet and installation.
7	Balances carried forward	15465	11842	-3622	23%	Yes	Return of ward grant of £3500 fro Lakeside culverting
8	Total Cash and Short Term Investments	15465	11842	-3622	23%	Yes	Return of ward grant of £3500 fro Lakeside culverting
9	Total Fixed Assets and Long Term Investments	9763	12047	2284	23%	Yes	Added new laptop, laser printer and label printer to register. Added new defibrillator and cabinet to register.
10	Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0%	No	

This report is intended as a guide to the variances you may need to explain. The specific requirements vary between external auditors so please check the requirements shown on the pro forma provided to your council

Please note a breakdown of approved reserves will also be required if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept value (Box 2)