Explanation of variances -- pro forma

Name of smaller authority: EAST HUNTSPILL PARISH COUNCIL

County area (local councils and : 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);
- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;
- New from 2025/26 onwards: variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £6,500,000

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	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	95,679	89,757				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	38,500	42,000	3,500	9.09%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	1,359	2,708	1,349	99.26%	YES		Bank interest since opening a deposit account = £1309
4 Staff Costs	15,214	18,944	3,730	24.52%	YES		increase in Clerks PAYE/NIC = £311 average due to extra clerks private pensions
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	30,766	24,148	-6,618	21.52%	YES		Less work altering the pavilion = £5250 - less dog foo emptying £700 less playground inspection £700
7 Balances Carried Forward	89,757	91,361				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	89,757	91,361				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	161,091	161,406	315	0.17%	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