Explanation of variances – pro forma Name of smaller authority: County area (local councils a 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 · 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). **Explanation** 2020/21 Variance Variance Required? 2019/20 £ £ £ % 1 Balances Brought Forward 839,682 833,668 2 Precept or Rates and Levies 622,717 673,005 NO 50,288 8.08% 3 Total Other Receipts 730,469 297,878 -432,591 YES 59.22% 4 Staff Costs 580,712 597,338 16,626 2.86% NO 5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment 0 0 0.00% NO 6 All Other Payments 778,488 402,029 -376,459 48.36% YES 7 Balances Carried Forward 833,668 805,184 NO 8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments 855,139 800,083 9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments 482,034 542,168 60,134 12.48% NO 10 Total Borrowings 0 0.00% NO Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable Variances of £200 or less are tolerable

- **3. Total Other receipts explanation** Due to the pandemic and limited service provision (closure of services) income levels were significantly reduced. The Civic Hall and Market Hall were closed during lockdown period.
- **6. All other payments explanation** Due to reduced service provision because of lockdown during the pandemic, expenditure was also naturally reduced.