Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Bo

Boddington Parish Council

County area (local councils and Gloucestershire

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).

	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	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	10,184	4,363				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	3,250	3,250	0	0.00%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	0	2,793	2,793	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	Council received a £1891.79 contribution towards their village gates from Gloucestershire County Council and they also received £900.93 in the form of a VAT refund
4 Staff Costs	2,214	2,350	136	6.14%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	6,857	1,428	-5,429	79.17%	YES		Council purchased village gates at the cost of £4540.31 in 2021/22, Council paid £326.40 for gates to be installed, Council donated £500 to the church in 2021/22, Council purchased a bin for £398.4 from Tewkesbury Borough Council in 2021/22. Council paid an additional £45.75 to PATA in 2021/22 and an additional £6.25 to SLCC. Council also reimbursed ex councillor G Coveney in 2021/22 for a total of £43.20 due to her contributions towards the website. In 2022/23 the council paid £16.50 extra on training, £59.99 on software, £15 on cleaning village gates, £74.40 on email and website host, £70 on internal audit, £1.90 on GAPTC Subscription, £8.12 on room hire, £17.08 on insurance and 179.53 on expenses.
7 Balances Carried Forward	4,363	6,628			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS	Reservies are high due to contribution for Gloucestershire Council towards village gates. Reserves have been allocated towards precept in 2023 24 to keep increase low Council is also considering the purchase of defibrilator and mobile speed camera.
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	4,363	6,628				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	6,676	6,676	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