## **Explanation of variances**

Name of smaller authority:

Sutton by Dover Parish Council

County area (local councils and Kent

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);
- 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).

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	Variance £	Variance %		Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b>	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	15,988	29,242				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	21,759	0	-21,759	100.00%	YES		The Precept for this year £11,109 was paid early by DDC and was entered in the previous years accounts.
3 Total Other Receipts	1,144	282	-862	75.35%	YES		Grants £505 less. HMRC refund £355 less
4 Staff Costs	4,609	4,290	-319	6.92%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	5,040	7,328	2,288	45.40%	YES		
7 Balances Carried Forward	29,242	17,906			YES	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED  EXPLANATION REQUIRED ON RESERVES TAB AS  TO WHY CARRY FORWARD RESERVES ARE GREATER THAN TWICE INCOME FROM LOCAL TAXATION/LEVIES	Playing field maintenance £127 less. BMX track £45 less. Allotment £635 more (hedgecutting). Community upkeep £1331 more (Downs Road mowing extra area £995 and maintenance contract £360). Donations £339 more (defibrillator cabinet £209, Xmas meal £50, Churchyard £80). Administration excluding staff costs £152 more. Subscriptions £3 more  The precept for this year was included in last years accounts. The box 2 figure showing £0.00 is therefore not a true indiction of the precept for this year which is £11,109. Therefore the carry over figure is not actually twice the amount of the years precept.
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	29,242	17,906				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	l
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments a	no 12,691	12,566	-125	0.98%	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