## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

SOUTH STOKE PARISH COUNCIL

County area (local councils and BATH and NORTH EAST 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);
- 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 %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES
1 Balances Brought Forward	9,507	13,221				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	7,858	9,858	2,000	25.45%	YES	The precept was increase by £2000 in anticipation of repairs to the village hall (£1,000), road safety scheme (£1,000), professional fees for planning advice on a major development proposal, and £1,000 in anticpation of the removal of funding for the Parish Sweeper.
3 Total Other Receipts	11,035	8,614	-2,421	21.94%	YES	Community Infrastructure Levy funds of £2,659, and grants totalling £782 were received in 2017/18. A grant of £1146 was received in 2018/19 to replace a memorial bench.
4 Staff Costs	8,218	8,945	727	8.85%	NO	
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	
6 All Other Payments	6,961	8,658	1,697	24.38%	YES	£865 more was spent on Professional and Legal Advice in 2018/19, and £800 spent on the Village Hall car park where there had been no expenditure in 2017/18
7 Balances Carried Forward	13,221	14,090			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	13,221	14,090				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments	an 1	1	0	0.00%	NO	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	