

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Rainow Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): Cheshire East

Please provide **full explanations, including numerical values**, for the following:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- a breakdown of approved reserves if the total reserves (Box 7) figure is more than twice the annual precept/rates & levies value (Box 2).

Section 2	2016/17 £	2017/18 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	10818	11934	1116	10%	
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	5518	5381	-137	-2%	
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	3944	4113	169	4%	
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	

Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	10459	8241	-2218	-21%	<p>Variation - decrease of £2049.40 in 2017/8 from 2016/17 due to the following:</p> <p>AUDIT FEES - decrease = Decrease Total £18</p> <p>BKVC - Decrease mainly due to no competition in 2016/17 = Decrease Total £112.30</p> <p>CIVIC SERVICE COSTS - Decrease in costs for due to outlay in 2016/17 = Decrease Total £77.67</p> <p>CLERKS REIMBURSEMENTS - Decrease due to significant reduction in printing costs (change in printers) = Decrease Total £440.95</p> <p>CLERKS SALARY - Increase due to additional invoicing for the Raven of £120.08 and increase in pay scales from 1st April 2017 = Increase Total £168.72</p> <p>GARDEN MAINTENANCE - Decrease due to late submission of invoice from contractor in 2017/18 = Decrease Total £1126.17</p> <p>HALL HIRE - Decrease due to additional meetings for Operation Shield (@ £25), Robin Hood meetings (@ £31.50), an additional Extraordinary meeting (@ £30) and increase costs for Hall Hire up by £1.50 = Decrease Total £199</p> <p>INSURANCE - premium Increase = Increase Total £110.87</p> <p>PLAYGROUND - Decrease in expenditure due to new safety barrier, new locks and various small jobs in 2016/17 works needed in 2017/18 but postponed due to weather = Decrease Total £275</p> <p>KRIV - Increase in contribution due to contribution to community bus repairs = Increase Total £250</p> <p>PROJECT EXPENSES - increase in 2017/18 due to fixing plastic mesh in memorial garden, SID movements and contribution to Rural</p>
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Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	13930	13930	0	0	
Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	
Explanation for 'high' reserves	Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:				

