

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

**SIDDINGTON PARISH COUNCIL**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

**GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

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).

<b>Section 2</b>	<b>2016/17 £</b>	<b>2017/18 £</b>	<b>Variance £</b>	<b>Variance %</b>	<b>Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)</b>
<b>Box 2</b> <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	19835	22135	+2300	+11.6%	
<b>Box 3</b> <i>Total other receipts</i>	3054	2514	-540	-17.7%	Reduced contribution from football club to grass cutting costs (£400)
<b>Box 4</b> <i>Staff costs</i>	8756	4146	-4610	-52.6%	2016-17 – overlap between new and old clerks and gratuity paid to retiring clerk (£4709)
<b>Box 5</b> <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	
<b>Box 6</b> <i>All other payments</i>	26808	14354	-12454	-46.4%	2016-17 – new play equipment purchased (£18999) 2017-18 – increased costs: grasscutting (£3932), training (£95), increased internal audit fees (£130), insurance/room-hire (£29), defibrillator purchase (£1515)
<b>Box 9</b> <i>Total fixed assets &amp; long term investments &amp; assets</i>	60130	60130	NIL	NIL	
<b>Box 10</b> <i>Total borrowings</i>	NIL	NIL	NIL	NIL	
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>	Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:				