

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Esrick Parish Council**
 County area (local councils and parishes): **Selby District, North Yorkshire**

Insert figures from Section 1 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	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	12,307	13,998				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	18,798	18,837	39	0.21%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	29,043	15,825	-13,218	45.51%	YES		Other receipts are generally one off by nature. 2017/18 included an exceptional receipt of loan to pay for street lighting renewal £27,000, donation to playing fields repairs £1378. 2018/19 included an exceptional receipt of grant to fund Neighbourhood hood plan £6800, S106 grants £605, donation for village green and pond repairs £7095, donation for playing fields repairs £650
4 Staff Costs	4,528	4,569	41	0.91%	NO		
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	1,342	2,935	1,593	118.70%	YES		Loan was taken out part way through 2017/18 so 2017/18 has a part year effect, 2018/19 has full year repayments
6 All Other Payments	40,280	16,676	-23,604	58.60%	YES		2017/18 contained exceptional item: Streetlighting (£32,410), 2018/19 contained exceptional items of items of village green/pond repairs £8498. Routine costs for streetlighting electricity, insurance, grass cutting and day to day expenditure remain consistent around £8000
7 Balances Carried Forward	13,998	24,480			NO	VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	13,998	24,480				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and Ass	108,949	117,535	8,586	7.88%	NO		
10 Total Borrowings	25,901	23,344	-2,557	9.87%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable