

Explanation of variances

Branxton Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Northumberland**

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	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 1 <i>Balances Brought Forward</i>	624	786			NO	
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	800	800	0	0	NO	
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	99	289	190	191.92%	YES	In year end 2017/18 £85 was raised by a sponsor walk for the Great North Air Ambulance organised by the Parish Council. In year-end 2018/19 £289 was received from Northumberland County Council to purchase a litter bin
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	312	484	172	55.13%	YES	In year-end 2018/19 the Clerk received a pay increase of 85p per hour and worked an additional 12.5 hours.
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	NO	
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	425	339	-86	20.24%	YES	In year end 2017/18 £85 a cheque was sent to the Great North Air Ambulance proceeds of the sponsor walk
Box 7 <i>Balances Carried Forward</i>	786	1052			NO	
Box 8 <i>Total Cash & Short Term Investments</i>	786	1052			NO	
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	2672	2672	0	0	NO	

Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	NO	
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