

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	2018/19 £	2019/20 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 1 <i>Balances Brought Forward</i>	786	1052				
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	800	900	100	12.50%	NO	
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	289	54	-235	81.31%	YES	In year-end 2018/19 the Parish Council received £289.14 Small Grant funding from Northumberland County Council. In year-end 2019/20 the only other receipt the Parish Council received was a VAT refund of £54.77.
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	484	505	21	4.34%	NO	
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	NO	
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	339	775	436	128.61%	YES	In year end 2019/20 the Parish Council purchased a litter bin at a cost of £289.14. paid £114 for replacement pads for the defibrillator & paid £30 for training for Parish Councillors.
Box 7 <i>Balances Carried Forward</i>	1052	726			NO	
Box 8 <i>Total Cash & Short Term Investments</i>	1052	726			NO	
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	2672	2913	241	9.02%	NO	

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