

## Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Clapham cum Newby Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

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>2018/19 £</b>	<b>2019/20 £</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>	7995	7789	206	2.6	
<b>Box 3</b> <i>Total other receipts</i>	5238	3285	1953	37	Grant of £3000 received in preceding year for neighbourhood planning facilitation
<b>Box 4</b> <i>Staff costs</i>	3234	3307	73	2.3	
<b>Box 5</b> <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Not applicable
<b>Box 6</b> <i>All other payments</i>	6516	9977	3461	53	£3000 payment for neighbourhood planning facilitation (for which grant received in preceding year) £1335 spent on restoring ornamental fountain for which grant of £1000 received
<b>Box 9</b> <i>Total fixed assets &amp; long term investments &amp; assets</i>	27250	27250	Nil	Nil	
<b>Box 10</b> <i>Total borrowings</i>	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Not applicable
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>	<p>The Parish Council is responsible for four street lights in the parish. Each has a replacement value of £1200 and a contingency fund is held in reserve to cover this.</p> <p>The Council saved its budget for stationery-£25 and for website and IT costs-£50</p> <p>There was no required maintenance of street lights; £150 had been budgeted.</p> <p>The Council received a greater amount in reclaimed VAT than had been anticipated £692.05 as opposed to £250.00.</p>				

	<p>There was a donation to the Friends of Clapham school of £1566.75 which was returned after it became apparent that the school was after all set for closure.</p> <p>Only £300 of a budgeted £500 was spent on signage costs.</p> <p>There has been no Parish Caretaker in post throughout the year and no tree works have been carried out (£200 budgeted) neither have any repairs to seating (£100 budgeted).</p> <p>There was a saving on mileage costs (£125 budgeted £68.40 spent).</p>
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