Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority : Lydlinch Parish Council	

Please provide <u>full explanations, including numerical values</u>, for the following:

County area (local councils and parish meetings only:

- 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	2016/17 £	2017/18 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 2 Precept or Rates and Levies	£5,700	£7,000	£1,300	22.81%	Increase of £1,300 was made to facilitate building a fund for maintenance and upgrade of the Village Hall in order to be able to make a bi-annual grant of a sum which enables more major works to be completed.
Box 3 Total other receipts	£45	nil	£45	100%	Not required less than £200
Box 4 Staff costs	£2,097	£2,132	£35	1.37%	Not required less than 15% and £200
Box 5 Loan interest/ capital repayments	nil	nil	nil	nil	
Box 6 All other payments	£5,939	£2,282	£3,567	61.68%	The total decrease in other payments of £3,657 is made up of: Reductions in other payments of total -£4,614 Post office services (s137) -£250 Hall Hire for mtgs -£20 Notice Board exp£44 Grants Village hall -£4000 Footpath maintenance -£300 Offset by increased payments at a total of £957 Office expenses £53 Insurance premium £13 Web Site £183 DAPTC subscription £38 Dog bin maint. & emptying £670
Box 9 Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets	£3,069	£3,124	£54.72	1.78%	Not required less than 15% and £200
Box 10 Total borrowings	nil	nil			

Explanation for 'high'	Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:
reserves	N/A