

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: Ulgham 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 %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	10,800	11,000	200	1.85	
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	1487	10062		576.6	The Parish Council received a grant of £8000 from the Community Foundation Sisters North Steads Wind Farm Community Benefit Fund. VAT in the sum of £1896 was received.
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	3010	3200	190	6.31	Slight increase in expenditure on stationary, mileage and copying
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	9047	16798	7751	85.67	The Parish Council paid £8000 For the refurbishment of the War Memorial in 2018-19. They also purchased a WW1 commemorative seat at a cost of £974.
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	42279	43280	1001	2.37	A new memorial seat was purchased for location at the War Memorial
Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	
Explanation for 'high' reserves	Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end: N/A				