

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority:

Broxted Parish Council

County area (local councils and Essex (Uttlesford)

Insert figures from Section 1 of the AGAR in all Blue highlighted boxes

Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following that will be flagged in the

	2017/18 £	2018/19 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?
1 Balances Brought Forward	11,555	17,280			
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	11,663	12,000	337	2.89%	NO
3 Total Other Receipts	13,218	1,051	-12,167	92.05%	YES
4 Staff Costs	1,910	1,919	9	0.47%	NO
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO
6 All Other Payments	17,246	14,050	-3,196	18.53%	YES
7 Balances Carried Forward	17,280	14,362			NO
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	17,280	14,362			
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	23,112	23,805	693	3.00%	NO
10 Total Borrowings			0	0.00%	NO

Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)

The council is the sole trustee of the trust which owns the Village Hall. In 2017-18 the council received £11,726 from the Village Hall trust account to reimburse part of the council's expenditure in replacing the village hall roof. In 2017-18 the council also received a grant of £905 towards work on the Hall car park which was paid for by the council. In 2018-19 the trust account repaid a further £430 to the council for work done on the roof. Other receipts (the precept and VAT reclaimed) in 2018-19 were similar to those in 2017-18.

In 2017-18 the council made more grants (£5,100 compared to £3,650) than in 2018-19, to contribute to costs relating to a major planning application affecting electors in Broxted. Repairs and refurbishment of the Village Hall cost £4,988.27 more in 2017-18 than in 2018-19. An additional £90 was spent on subscriptions and £451.02 more on the clerk's salary and hedge and grasscutting in 2017-18 compared with 2018-19. Offsetting these figures, in 2018-19 the council instructed consultants to advise on a planning application for a caravan site at a cost of £3,577.20 and paid for training for a new clerk. Overall expenditure was £2,912 lower in 2018-19 than 2017-18.