

# Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Carlton on Trent Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **Nottinghamshire**

**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>2016/17 £</b>	<b>2017/18 £</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>	2866	3009	143	5	Not required
<b>Box 3</b> <i>Total other receipts</i>	110	400	290	264	In 2017/18 the council applied for a £300 grant to enable them to purchase a laptop for uploading items to the website.
<b>Box 4</b> <i>Staff costs</i>	1659	1985	327	20	£178 of March 17 wages were not paid until April 17 meaning 13 months wages were paid this year and only 11 last year.
<b>Box 5</b> <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	
<b>Box 6</b> <i>All other payments</i>	339	868	529	156	A laptop was purchased at £291 in 2017/18 The VAT reclaimed in 2017/18 was £182 lower than in 2016/17 The council now incurs bank charges which it didn't in previous years, they being £44 to date £36 hall rental for meetings in Jan Feb Mar 2017 was paid in 2017/18
<b>Box 9</b> <i>Total fixed assets &amp; long term investments &amp; assets</i>	3152	3443	291	9	Not required
<b>Box 10</b> <i>Total borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>	7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:  Not applicable				