Explanation of variances - pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **MELSONBY PARISH COUNCIL**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only: NORTH YORKSHIRE

Please provide <u>full explanations</u>, 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	2016/17 £	2017/18 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
Precept or Rates and Levies	8560	9000	440	5%	
Box 3 Total other receipts	36988	4784	-32204	-87%	In the previous two years the PC received large grants towards the cost of providing new play equipment in two of our playparks. No large grants were received during 2017/18.
Box 4 Staff costs	2889	2913	24	<1%	
Box 5 Loan interest/ capital repayments	0	0			
Box 6 All other payments	45536	12564	-32972	-72%	For the previous two years the PC has had a larger expenditure due to the provision of new play park equipment in two of our playparks. In 2017/18 no major capital projects were undertaken.
Box 9 Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets	40484	41218	734	1.2%	
Box 10 Total borrowings	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: £9623.64 National Savings a/c held towards expected costs in future provision of a village hall £726.18 Bank savings a/c held for play park costs £9443.87 Current a/c to cover expected village maintenance costs including provision of footpath to new burial ground.				