## **Explanation of variances**

Name of smaller authority: Three Saints South Elmham Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only: **Suffolk** 

## 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	2016/17 £	2017/18 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts £)
<b>Box 2</b> Precept or Rates and Levies	3000	3200	200	7%	To cover rising costs.
Box 3 Total other receipts	785	362	-423	-54%	A smaller grant received
Box 4 Staff costs	1146	1560	414	36%	Clerk salary for a complete year. No paid Clerk for a period in 2016/17.
Box 5 Loan interest/ capital repayments	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a

Box 6	1613	1316	-297	-18%	Clerk's Office Costs (full year)	30.00			
All other					Clerk's Expenses (folders/stationery)	-16.47			
payments					Training (none attended)	-16.00			
					Insurance (yearly increase)	-11.47			
					SALC Subscription (yearly increase)	3.77			
					Payroll Services (now done by the Clerk)	-90.00			
					Miscellaneous (not required)	-16.50			
					Internal Audit Fee (no invoice received)	-42.00			
					Hall Hire (one booking less)	-6.00			
					S137/Donations (another grant given)	401.00			
					CIL Money (none received)	-493.82			
					VAT on payments (less to claim back)	-79.14			
					Cheque 100568 not presented (all presen	ted this			
					year)	40.00			
Box 9 Total fixed	11031	11139	108	10%	Noticeboard scrapped	-93			
assets &					New noticeboard	201			
long term					New Hoteebourd	201			
investments									
& assets Box 10	n/a	n/a	n/a	m/a	n/a				
Total									
borrowings									
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:								
	Restricted Reserves								
	CIL Money (To be spent by 2019)				505.76				
	Transparency Grant				466.65				
	Common Maintenance				2,500.00				

By-Election	1,000.00
General Reserves	1,767.68