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Annual Governance & Accountability Return - Explanation of Variance Section 2

Explanations, including numerical values are required 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).

Box	This year 2017/18	Last Year 2016/17	Variance	Variance if more than 15%	Explanation
3 Receipts (non-precept)	£1,380	£3,099	£1,719	125%	In 2016/17 £1,300 was donated to purchase and run 2 defibrillators. Cemetery income dropped from £1,315 to £240
9 Assets	£23,600	£27,222	£3,622	15%	The PC received a qualified external auditor's report in 2017 commenting that two defibrillators should have been reported as 2 x £1 as they had been donated, not the purchase price. This has been rectified on the Asset Register.

	Annual Precept	Total Reserves	Amount over limit	Explanation
7 Reserves	£3,801	£8,552	£950	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. The PC has ring-fenced a budget to cover defibrillator costs which currently stands at £492.2. The PC budgeted for Cemetery pairs, the invoices for which have not yet been received.3. The PC budgeted for a replacement noticeboard at Hilton which has not yet been purchased.4. The PC has built up a reserve to cover for any election costs which are currently estimated at 12.5% of the precept.