

**Welshampton and Lyneal Parish Council, Shropshire**

**Explanation of significant variances in the accounting statements – Section 2 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return Accounts for the year ended 31 March 2019.**

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 1</b>	<b>2017/18 £</b>	<b>2018/19 £</b>	<b>Variances (+/-) £</b>	<b>Detailed explanation of variances</b>
<b>Box 2</b> <i>Precept</i>	16,052	19,500	3,448	Increase of Precept to help fund WW1 commemoration events in Parish
<b>Box 3</b> Other income	1,495	6,127	4,632	Increase of neighbourhood Funds of £4,125, Interest of £50 and VAT reclaim of £1,160. Environmental Maintenance Grant not provided of £700
<b>Box 4</b> Staff costs	6,100	7,513	1,413	Increase of hours worked to support WW1 commemoration events in Parish
<b>Box 5</b> Loan interest/capital	NIL	NIL	-	
<b>Box 6</b> Other payments	15,431	20,037	4,606	Increase of: Community Grants of £1,000, administration, insurance and newsletter costs of £725, VAT reclaimed of £350 and grounds maintenance/repairs £375 Funding of WW1 commemoration events in Parish £2,150
<b>Box 9</b> Fixed assets & long term assets	58,104	58,354	250	
<b>Box 10</b> Total borrowing	NIL	NIL	-	
<b>Explanation for 'high' reserves</b>	Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end:			

April 2019