

Explanation of Significant Variances 2018/19 for

STRATTON PARISH COUNCIL

Year Ending 31 March 2019

Explanation of Significant Variances between Year 2017/18 and Year 2018/19

Receipts

- Precept
The Precept increased from £8,553 in 2017/18 to £9,600 in 2018/19, an increase of £1,047.
- Planning Gain
No CIL Neighbourhood Proportion Payments were received in 2018/19, a reduction in income of £6,771.
- VAT
The amount of VAT reclaimed reduced from £2,952 in 2017/18 to £472 in 2018/19, a reduction of income of £2,480.

Overall income reduced from £19,059 to £10,892, a reduction of £8,167.

Payments

- Planning Gain
A total of £2,580 was spent on various Parish improvements from the CIL Neighbourhood Proportion payment received in 2017/18, while only £1,208 had been spent in 2017/18. An increase of £1,372.
- Trees
Various actions taken to fell and remove three trees and replace with two new trees on the village green, cost of £838 incurred.
- Parish Clerk
Parish Clerk served a full year, whereas in 2017/18 he only served for 10 months, increase in salary together with increment, an increase of £328.
- Laptop Computer
A new lap-top computer was purchased at a cost of £639.
- Grounds Maintenance
Contractors performed a full year of duties on grounds and hedge maintenance at an increased cost of £1,300 over the cost incurred in 2017/18.

Overall expenditure increased from £8,264 to £13,006, an increase of £4,742.

Notes

The Parish holds substantial reserves from a Planning Gain, income from the capital can only be spent on the maintenance of public open spaces.