

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: **Skelsmergh & Scalthwaiterigg Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only): **South Lakeland District Council**

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 £)
Box 2 <i>Precept or Rates and Levies</i>	3,829	3,762	67	1.79%	Not Applicable (NA)
Box 3 <i>Total other receipts</i>	849	1,716	867	102%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> VAT claim this yr - £337 (insufficient to claim last year) Woodland income down this yr £45, cf £161 last year Grant money received this yr £1.2k cf 500 last yr,
Box 4 <i>Staff costs</i>	1,763	1,849	86	4.9%	NA
Box 5 <i>Loan interest/ capital repayments</i>	0	0	0	0	NA
Box 6 <i>All other payments</i>	6,505	2,235	4,270	66%	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Two big spends last yr of approx £1.5k x2, for community defibrillator and access/road improvements. Other smaller grants (e.g. for the Community Hall: wi-fi and ride-on mower) and purchases (road sign and new notice board). Some of last yr's spend were committed to in the previous year, but the invoices were delayed.
Box 9 <i>Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets</i>	4,125	4,125	0	0	NA
Box 10 <i>Total borrowings</i>	0	0	0	0	NA
Explanation for 'high' reserves	Box 7 (£3,381) is more than twice Box 2 (£3,762) because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end: NA				