Explanation of significant variances in the accounting statements - Section 2

Parish Council name: __Cassop-cum-Quarrington Parish Council_____

Please explain any variances of more than 15% between the totals for individual boxes in Section 2. We do not require explanations for variances of less than £200; however, in some cases there may be 'compensating' variances which leave the overall total for a box relatively unchanged – e.g. where there was a major one-off project in one year (e.g. contribution to village hall extension of £30,000), but a totally different expense of a similar size in the next (e.g. purchase of playground equipment of £28,000). In such cases, it would be helpful to provide an explanation of movements within each box. We also ask you to explain any change where there is a movement to or from zero. Please either use the proforma below, or complete a separate schedule if more space is required.

Section 2	2021/22 £	2022/23	Variance (+/-) £	Detailed explanation of variance (for each reason noted please include monetary values (to nearest £10)
Box 2 Precept	66,900	69,786	+2886	Increase in precept demand levied upon Council Taxation Authority and increase in Council Tax Base set by the Council Taxation Authority
Box 3 Other income	21,652	72,241	+50,589	Reversal of Items in 2021/2022• Footpaths Grant-1,228• Section 106 funding-13,500• VAT Recovered-3,437New Items in 2022/23-3,437• Footpaths Grant+1,289• Section 106 funding+53,089• Increased Cemetery Income+191• Decreased Allotment Income-181• VAT Recoverable+14404Total50,627
Box 4 Staff costs	10,717	11,732	+1015	As of 1 April 2022, the Parish Clerk received an additional salary point and the National Minimum Wage increase was recognised. The Parish Clerk received a national pay award backdated to 1 April 2022.
Box 5 Loan interest/ capital	0		0	
Box 6 Other payments	72,446	138,005	+65,559	Reversal of Items in 2021/2022• Parks and Open Spaces-6089• Local Footpaths-1170• Neighbourhood Plan Costs-2000• Provision of Youth Services-37734• Burials and Cemetery-1516• New Artwork for Bowburn-13500• Christmas Lights Storage-1150

			7740	 General Administration -4480 VAT Recovered -4478 New items in 2022/2023 Parks and Open Spaces +8400 Local Footpaths +1230 Provision of Youth Services +39689 Burials and Cemetery +1669 New Artwork for Bowburn +53389 Christmas Lights Hire +7949 Allotments & Garages +3700 General Administration +7401 VAT Recoverable +14404
Box 7 Balances carried forward	46,516	38,806	-7710	Overspend in relation to: - Allotments and Garages Christmas Lights Total -8,149
Box 9 Fixed assets & long term assets	215,417	260,417	+45,000	The People's Lamp, a sculpture commissioned by the Parish Council at a cost of £45,000, was installed during the year.
Box 10 Total borrowing	0		0	