

Section 5**c) Explanations of significant variances on the Accounting Statements - continued****Suggested layout for explanations**

One sheet to be prepared for each variance that requires explanation.

BOX NO 6	£
Figure in 2016 column	4876
Figure in 2015 column	6147
Variance (2016 figure less 2015 figure) A positive figure is an increase, a negative figure is a decrease	-1271

Reasons (as many as are applicable)	Amount £
Reason 1 Less Section 137 payments in 2015	1556
Reason 2	
Reason 3	
Reason 4	
Unexplained	
Confirm unexplained amount is less than 15% of 2015 figure	285 = 4.6%

Council Tax Support Grant (Applies only to Parish Councils and Meetings)

The Council Tax Support Grant, if received, is paid over at the same time as the Precept. Please note that **only the Precept should be recorded in Box 2 (Precept or Rates and Levies)** on the Annual Return.

Council Tax Support Grant must be included in Box 3 (Total other receipts).

The Council Tax Support Grant, if paid, may be annotated separately on the documentation sent to the Council by the District/Borough Council when the payments are made. If it is not you will need to contact your District/Borough Council to find out how much Council Tax Support Grant has been paid for 2015/16.