

BLOCKLEY PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL RETURN 201718
EXPLANATION OF VARIANCES

Box No.	Type	2017	2018	Difference	%	Explanation
2	Precept	48,766	68,720	19,954	40.1	Year two of five year strategy approved by community& council in 2016 to increase precept by £20k per annum to enable funding for prior agreed specific projects in the town.*
3	Other income	9,291	12,549	3,258	35	
4	Staffing	25,334	30,455	5,121	20.2	See below
6	Other payme	40,099	43,918	3,819	10	See below
Box 3	Increase £3,258 comprised £3,200 grants for youth activities. Balance of £58 miscellaneous income from wayleave agreement + minor donations.					
Box 4	Increase £5,121 The council took over a local charitable organisation (St Georges Village Hall) in 2017 as sole Trustee. Staff salaries for SGH were paid via the council cost of £5,610. Salaries for SGH staff will be paid under separate accounts in 2018/19. Other staff costs went down by £489.					
Box 6	Increase of £3,819 comprised of cost of £2,340 for unforeseen damage to church wall. £1,250 for cost of re-negotiating grasscutting contract with new contractor following folding of previous company. Other increase of £229 on miscellaneous items.					

* A list of the specific projects can be provided upon request.