Explanation of variances 2017/18

Name of smaller authority: Pebmarsh Parish Council

County area (local councils and parish meetings only: **Essex**

Please provide <u>full explanations</u>, 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 Precept or Rates and Levies | 7824 | 7859 | 35 | 0.004 | - |
| Box 3 Total other receipts | 4005 | 2530 | 1475 | 0.36 | For 2016/17, the following receipts were over and above those in 2017/18: • Grass cutting income: £228 • VAT reclaim: £940 • District Council Localism and Collection Funds £366 |
| Box 4 Staff costs | 2509 | 2533 | 24 | 0.009 | - |
| Box 5 Loan interest/ capital repayments | 2867 | 0 | 2867 | 100 | Borrowing paid off in 2016/17 financial year. No loan payments made in 2017/18 |
| Box 6 All other payments | 8395 | 7516 | 879 | 0.10 | - |
| Box 9 Total fixed assets & long term investments & assets | 46907 | 46907 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Box 10 Total borrowings | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | - |
| Explanation for 'high' reserves | Box 7 is more than twice Box 2 because the authority held the following breakdown of reserves at the year end: N/A | | | | |