# **Explanation for Significant Differences 2017-18**

### 1. Introduction

Middridge Parish Council's underlying Income and Expenditure do not vary significantly from one Financial Year to another. However, there are occasionally additional Items of Income and Expenditure which distort the normal picture; these occurred in both the Financial Years in question, as follows:-

## 2. 2016-17

Income and Expenditure were increased by a £4204 Grant from Groundwork UK (Locality), which was used to pay for Training Sessions and Consultancy Support from Planning Advice Plus on Neighbourhood Planning (£4084), plus Hire of the Village Hall for Training Sessions (£120).

Thus the underlying position is as follows:-

Total Other Receipts (Box 3) = 6355 - 4204 = 2151Other Payments (Box 6) = 9626 - 4204 = 5422

## 3. 2017-18

Income and Expenditure were again increased by a £2751 Grant from Groundwork UK (Locality). This was used to pay £2636 for:-

- (a) Consultancy Support from Planning Advice Plus on Neighbourhood Planning (£2546)
- (b) WM Services for printing Copies of the Survey Questionnaire (£90).

**NOTE** – the unspent £115 of this Grant will be accounted for in the Parish Council's 2018-19 Accounts.

The Parish Council also had additional Expenditure of:-

- (a) £2784 to Oliver's Trees for Maintenance of the Trees on the Village Green, and of the large Ash Tree at the Play Area entrance.
- (b) £350 to the Skill Mill for Improvements to various Paths

Thus the underlying position is as follows:-

Total Other Receipts (Box 3) = 4878 - 2751 = 2127Other Payments (Box 6) = 11235 - 2636 - 2784 - 350 = 5465

### 4. Conclusion

Once additional Items of Income and Expenditure are taken into account, it can be seen that Middridge Parish Council's underlying Income and Expenditure did not vary significantly i.e. by more than 10%, between the 2016-17 and 2017-18 Financial Years.