

## Annual Governance & Accountability Return Section 2 ~ Explanations of Quantified Significant Variances 2022-23\*

**Box 2:** The precept levied increased by £598 from £2,880 in 2021-22 to £3,478 in 2022-23. (Variance =  $\pm 20.76\%$ )

Box 3: Total other receipts were £1,762 less than in 2021-22. This was a net reduction because a significant fundraising event planned for September 2022 was cancelled and a grant intended for participatory budgeting projects was received in March 2023.

(Variance = -25.08%) See Page 2.

**Box 4:** N/A

**Box 5:** N/A

**Box 6:** All other payments came to  $f_{1}$ ,000 more than in 2021-22.

(Variance = +33.78%) See Page 2.

**Box 7:** N/A - carry forward reserves are greater than at the end of 2021-22 because a grant of £2,500 for participatory budgeting projects created a net increase in reserves of £1,952.

**Box 8:** N/A

Box 9: N/A

**Box 10:** N/A

## Statement of Reserves

The Parish Council held the following reserves at the year end:

RESERVE	AMOUNT
Haigh Windpump Reserve	£950
Canal Towpath Repair Reserve	£604
Elections	£1,400
Participatory Budgeting Projects Reserve	£2,500
General Reserve	£5,232
TOTAL	£10,686

\*Detailed quantified explanations are only provided for variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except when variances are less than £200).

<u>Box 3</u>

ITEM	2021-22 £	2022-23 £	DIFF £	BALANCE £	NARRATIVE
VAT Claim	0	384	384	384	VAT claim made covered 3 years
Insurance Claim	0	792	792	1,176	Settlement of claim for replacement of damaged bench
Events	5,993	555	(5,436)	(4,260)	Bubblefest planned for September 2022 was cancelled resulting in reduced income
Council Tax Support Grant	1,032	1,032	0	(4,260)	Council Tax Support Grant the same both years
Other Grants	0	2,500	2,500	(1,760)	Participatory budgeting grant received in March 2023
TOTAL:	7,025	5,263	(1,762)	-25.08%	Variance

## <u>Box 6</u>

ITEM	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	DIFF £	BALANCE £	NARRATIVE
s137 Grants, Donations,	100	100	0	0	Donation to Royal Britsh Legion – same both years.
Street Furniture	0	892	892	892	Purchase and fitting of replacement for damaged bench
Conferences, Subscriptions	187	315	128	1,020	One year's membership subs paid both years, but fees for training

					course undertaken by members covered in 2022-23
Insurance, audit, rent, licences	460	574	114	1,134	Increase in rent due to return to face-to-face meetings
Community engagement, events	2,152	1,801	(351)	783	Bubblefest planned for September 2022-23 was cancelled, so fee refunds made to stallholders and performers paid token fees
VAT	61	278	217	1,000	VAT paid on bubbling stall
TOTAL:	2,960	3,960	1,000	33.78%	Variance