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BOX1

Variation in Balances brought forward March 24 against March 25 is represented by variations in the 2023/24 accounts – already audited.

BOX 2

Precept for **Precept for 2023/24 = £24,000 2024/25 = £29,345**

This increase of £5,345 was to cover an increase in the Clerk's hours with associated salary costs, printing costs, addition of Councillor email addresses and increases to fees and payments. To keep the increase to a minimum, Members also resolved to use £4,900 of Reserves.

BOX 3
Receipts for 2023/24 = £242,329 Receipts for 2024/25 = £141,408
This is a decrease of £100,921 as illustrated below

	2023/24	2024/25	Variance
Bank & Cil Interest	£16,779	£25,527	£8748
VAT Refund	£2,474	£3,230	£756
Grants / Donations	£970	£830	(£140)
Community Infrastructure Levy	£222,058	£111,759	(£110,299)
Shared services	£48	£62	£14
TOTAL	242,329	141,408	(100,921)

BOX 4

Staff Costs 2023/24 = £12,824 2024/25 = £24,536

This is due to the Council increasing the Clerks hours from 12hrs a week to 24hrs a week with additional costs relating to PAYE and the requirement to pay a pension.

BOX 5 There are no Loans or interest payments

BOX 6 Payments (less staff costs) 2023/24 = £64,953 2024/25 = £31,724 This is a decrease of £33,229 generally represented by

Payment Increases	£	Payment decreases	£
Office & Admin costs	133	Fees & Subs	159
Insurance	121	Play area inspections	528
Football Pitch	1795	Election	200
Grants & donations	162	CIL expenditure	33,778
VAT	1283	Repairs	234
Websites & newsletter	170	Training	156
		Grass contracts	1354
		Electric & Xmas tree	484
_	3,664		36,893

£64,953 + £3,664 - £36,893 = £31,724

Mar 2025 balance = £688,149 as a result of variations explained above.
This amount includes £624,295 Community Infrastructure Levy
Actual Council Reserves at £63,854

BOX 8 Balances to be carried forward agree with reconciled bank balance.

BOX 9 The Asset value has increased by £912 due to the purchase of dog bag dispensers, and walk signboards..