

**Sicklinghall Parish Council**  
**Explanation Of Variances**

	Section 1	2022 £	2023 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation of variance
Opening Reserves	Box 1	23,455	18,494	- 4,961	-21%	Not required
Precept	Box 2	2,000	1,000	- 1,000	-50%	Precept reduced as agreed
Other Receipts	Box 3	14,486	1,726	- 12,760	-88%	Reduced cemetery throughput; and prior year donation not repeated
Staff Costs	Box 4	2,212	2,937	725	33%	Clerk's wages higher
Loan Int/Cap Repayment	Box 5	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	N/A
All Other Payments	Box 6	19,234	9,579	- 9,655	-50%	Cemetery upgrade in prior year not repeated
Closing Reserves	Box 7	18,494	8,704	- 9,790	-53%	Not required
Closing Cash Balances	Box 8	14,453	5,761	- 8,693	-60%	Not required
Total Fixed Assets	Box 9	2,554	1,915	- 638	-25%	Vehicle Activated Signage depreciating
Total Borrowings	Box 10	-	-	-	#DIV/0!	N/A
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Explanation for 'high' reserves:	Reserves largely relate to cemetery income which is unplanned/variable; reserve for cemetery refurb and VAS signs					