

Annual Return Format	Change	Current Year	Prior Year
Balances b/f	-2.8%	4,221.81	4,342.48
Annual precept	0.0%	3,700.00	3,700.00
Other receipts	-76.9%	1,418.55	6,137.44
Staff costs	1.8%	1,195.77	1,175.20
Loan interest / capital repayments			
Total other costs	-86.3%	1,203.06	8,782.91
Balances c/f	64.4%	6,941.53	4,221.81
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Variance Analysis

The Annual precept was unchanged from 2021-22.

Other income was decreased significantly from £6137 in 2021-22 to £1419 in 2022-23. In 2021-22 there was a VAT reclaim of £407 and the residents of Field Assarts raised £5610 towards the purchase of speed indicator signs whereas in 2022-23 there was only a VAT reclaim of £1287. There was a minor increase in income from allotment rents.

Staff salary increased in line with government award.

Other costs were decreased from £8783 in 2021-22 to £1203 in 2022-23. The major differences are explained by capital expenditure on speed indicator signs at a cost of £6774 and litter pickers at £120 in 2021-22 whereas in 2022-23 only £103 was spent on defibrillator pads. There were small increases in subscriptions and insurance in 2022-23 resulting in an increase of general admin costs (3.5%) from £2039 in 2021-22 to £2111 in 2022-23.

The end of year balance of £6942 is significantly increased from £4222. Some of this is a late invoice from OCC, a deferred payment for a dog waste bin in Asthal and some is provision for work to be done on the Asthall Leigh allotments, planning for which has been underway for some time. Some is to offset unknown increased charges for subscriptions and insurance in the next financial year.