

## Wroxton & Balscote Parish Council

### 2024/25 Budget Amendments

The following budget was approved at the Parish Council meeting on 8 January 2024, for the purpose of setting an unchanged Precept of £10,000 for the year ending 31 March 2025. The Precept is incorporated into the CDC Council Tax levy and represents a small proportion of every resident's Council Tax bill.

	2023/24		2024/25		
	£		£	£	Notes
<b>Income</b>	10,000	Precept	10,000		
	13,737	Site rents	13,987		1
	1,200	Grass cutting grant from OCC	1,200		
	60	Bank Interest	120		
	<b>24,997</b>			<b>25,307</b>	
<b>Expenditure</b>	4,500	Staff costs	5,250		
	300	Staff expenses	192		
	2,500	General administration	1,525		2
	8,000	Grass cutting	7,750		
	2,500	Path and verge clearance	2,500		
	900	Dog bin emptying	900		
	950	Sportsfield rent	950		
	1,090	Insurance (net of third party contribution)	600		3
	1,000	Cemetery costs	1,200		4
	800	Subscriptions	900		5
	150	Hire of village halls	150		
	500	Training	300		
	500	Asset maintenance	500		
	1,000	Contingency	1,550		
	<b>24,690</b>			<b>24,267</b>	
<b>Surplus</b>	<b>307</b>			<b>1,040</b>	

**Notes:**

1. The breakdown of site rents is Cellnex £7,544, Air Waves Solutions £4,500 and Wroxton Woodyard £1,943.
2. Administration costs include items such as training, legal fees, bank charges, audit fee and, this year, election fees.

3. The Parish Council decided to change its insurance arrangements, resulting in a significant reduction in the premiums paid, despite the continuing impact of inflation.
4. Cemetery costs are higher due to the inclusion of hedge and grass cutting charges, but they are in practice offset by income from burial and headstone charges, for which a budget has traditionally never been set.
5. \Subscriptions include the cost of OALC membership and two important software packages covering accounting and cemetery administration.

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Responsible Financial Officer

9 January 2024