Section 1	2021/22 £	2022/23 £	Variance £	Variance %	Detailed explanation of variance (with amounts) £
Box 1 Balances brought forward	15728	18071			
Box 2 Precept	8700	10500	1800	21%	Precept 22/23 increased to cover additional cost of works to trees in closed churchyards £1500 and cost of repainting Ulting village sign £300
Box 3 Other receipts	259	827	568	219%	Increase in VAT recovered £529 and interest received £40 (22/23)
Box 4 Staff costs	3336	4023	-687	-21%	NALC pay increase (£316); additional clerk's pay for handover period (£318) and additional clerk's expenses during handover period (£43) (22/23)
Box 5 Loan interest/ capital repayments	0	0	0	0	
Box 6 Other payments	3280	8829	-5549	-169%	Increases in cost of work to trees in closed churchyards (£4200); VAT reclaimed (£704); repainting Ulting village sign (£552); mower service (£183); 4th quarter (21/22) churchyard grass cutting invoice paid (22/23) (£92) and laptop battery (£33); offset by reduction in cost of streetlight repairs £86; reduction in cost of printing newsletter £76 and reduction in cost of memberships £63 (22/23)
Box 7 Balances carried forward	18071	16546			
Box 8 Cash and short term investments	18071	16546			
Box 9 Fixed assets and long term assets	86648	87401	753	1%	
Box 10 Borrowings	0	0	0	0	
Explanation for 'high' reserves	Box 7 is mo	re than twic	ce Box 2 becau	ise:	