

**2023-24 BUDGET & PRECEPT****FINAL VERSION**

	<b>2023-24 Proposed Budget</b>	<b>2023-24 Proposed Precept</b>	<b>2022-23 Precept</b>	<b>Spent at 31.10.2022</b>	<b>Spent at 31.03.22 (YE)</b>
Professional Fees	650.00	650.00	650.00	449.00	586.00
Insurance	600.00	600.00	400.00	367.08	367.08
S137	200.00	200.00	0.00	0.00	150.00
Defibrillator	0.00	0.00	200.00	200.00	0.00
Bank Charges	72.00	72.00	72.00	36.00	72.00
Clerk's Salary	6,000.00	6,000.00	6,200.00	3,080.35	4,567.63
Clerk's Mileage	70.00	70.00	70.00	17.10	17.10
Clerk's Pension	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Postage, telecoms etc	150.00	150.00	150.00	75.44	120.00
Subscriptions	400.00	400.00	450.00	367.63	362.94
Consumables	100.00	100.00	100.00	64.74	64.47
Software Licences	150.00	150.00	150.00	66.66	168.14
Training	0.00	0.00	500.00	458.00	327.00
Web fees	175.00	175.00	140.00	173.00	125.00
Newsletter	300.00	300.00	300.00	116.00	256.00
Data Protection	40.00	40.00	40.00	35.00	35.00
Grounds Maintenance	1,000.00	750.00	1,000.00	0.00	503.38
Footpath Assistant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	223.43 funded by SCC payment
Equipment repair/main.	200.00	200.00	200.00	284.33	0.00
Waste management	400.00	400.00	400.00	335.20	335.20
Street Lighting	1,750.00	1,250.00	750.00	0.00	713.12
Tree Surgery	1,250.00	1,250.00	1,000.00	0.00	680.00
Info Box	50.00	50.00	50.00	0.00	40.88
LGA 1976, s19(3)					
Payment to CIO	8,250.00	8,250.00	8,250.00	8,250.00	13,135.00
PWLB Contingent Fund	6,575.92	6,575.92 ringfence	0.00	0.00	0.00
PWLB	3,151.84	3,151.84	151.84	75.92	13,151.84 met by gift
MSDC Business Rates	0.00	0.00	3,000.00	0.00	3,892.03 refunded after the year end

General Reserve	500.00	500.00 ringfence	5,000.00	0.00 ringfence	0.00
Churchyard Maintenance	1,235.00	1,235.00 ringfence	3,000.00	0.00 ringfence	0.00
MSDC Parish Grant	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-204.00
Election Costs	765.00	765.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Hall Rental (for CPC meetings)	144.00	144.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,178.76</b>	<b>33,428.76</b>	<b>32,223.84</b>	<b>14,451.45</b>	<b>39,689.24</b>
					<b>35,797.21</b> post MSDC refund

**A 2023/24 precept demand of 33,784.56 would present a 5.291% increase on 2022/23**  
**This is a draft % figure at this time, as it's dependent on the MSDC Band 'D' figures usually available in December.**

**PWLB details:**  
**PW 487910 June 2009 to June 2028 (20 years) repayments 5,027.75 x 2 annually**  
**PW 498630 December 2010 to December 2030 (20 years) repayments 1,548.17 x 2 annually**

### Reserve Funds

Allotments	379.69	
CIL Reserve (earmarked)	320.54	
Tree Works (earmarked)	2,570.00	
PWLB Contingency (earmarked)	7,000.00	plus £3,000 from 22/23 precept
PWLB 2022/23 Repayment (earmarked)	6,500.00	due to be paid 1 Dec. 2022
Churchyard Maintenance	1,000.00	plus £3K from 22/23 precept
Training	500.00	
Street Lighting Energy Costs	750.00	
Election Costs	438.25	
General Reserve	<u>12,837.70</u>	plus £5k from 22/23 precept
	<b><u>32,296.18</u></b>	

**NOTES:**

The Finance Working Group (FWG) met on 10 Nov. 2022 to consider the first draft of the 2023/24 budget and precept. These are the revised figures to be put to the Council, for consideration, following that meeting.

The Coddendam Centre Funding: the 2023/24 budget and precept includes the full amount of funding request put to the Council of £8,250.00.

Insurance: the Council has had a 3 year long term policy, which ends next year. It's very probable that we will see a significant increase in the premium, due Sept. 2023

Footpath Assistant: historically, the grass cutting of the footpaths around the parish was undertaken by SCC. However, CPC became unsatisfied with the works and so took on the role of securing the workforce to undertake the works, paid for with money received from SCC. Andrew Soanes is no longer able to take on this role; 2021 should've been his last but as no one came forward when the job was advertised, he thankfully stepped in as an emergency solution for this year.

The FWG can see difficulties in finding anyone to come forward to take on the role in the future and so as a solution, proposes the works be handed back to SCC. There would be a possible cost saving as if there is CPC equipment used for this work only, it would no longer be needed and so saving on maintenance costs of said equipment.

Street Lighting: the FWG proposes that the street lights be turned off from 12pm to 6am, thus saving energy and costs. The initial response to the parish circular has been positive, with no comments against the proposal. SCC has estimated a 45% saving. I would therefore propose reducing the draft budget and precept amounts to £1,250. This would present a 3.739% increase on 2022/23.

Hall Rental: In 2021, The Coddendam Centre advised of their intention to charge for the use of the foyer / hall for Parish Council meetings. If the charge is the 'local' rate it will be £24 x 6 meetings per year.

**NIL BALANCE INCREASE:**

If CPC wanted to achieve a 0% increase on last year's precept, we would need to find a saving of £1,704.92 on the proposed precept.

1%	£1,382.68
2%	£1,060.44
3%	£738.20
4%	£415.97
5%	£93.73