

Sibford Gower Parish Council

Explanations of variances 2024/25

Box No 3	
Figure in 2025 column	£4,988.00
Figure in 2024 column	£4,408.00
Variance	£580.00

Reasons	
Reason 1: The VAT refund in 2025 was significantly higher than in 2024.	£731.55
Remaining unexplained amount below 10%	-£151.55
Total	£580.00

Box No 4	
Figure in 2025 column	£3,226.00
Figure in 2024 column	£4,561.00
Variance	-£1,335.00

Reasons	
Reason 1: A new clerk was employed in December 2024 and she did not choose to make any payments to herself for the following months within the financial year with the next payment made to her in April 25 so 4 months of payroll was not paid within the 24/25 financial year.	-£1,560.72
Remaining unexplained amount below 10%	£225.72
Total	-£1,335.00

Box No 6	
Figure in 2025 column	£6,175.00
Figure in 2024 column	£13,968.00
Variance	-£7,793.00

Reasons	
Reason 1: A wildflower meadow was planted in the burial ground in 2024 therefore the grass cutting contractors costs were much higher than in 2025	-£2,171.27
Reason 2: Funds were spent on Coronation Celebrations in 2024 which was not required in 2025.	-£1,908.58
Reason 3: Due to the lower spend in 2025 the VAT paid was lower than in 2024	-£895.86
Reason 4: In 2025 it was agreed that the Parish Council would stop maintaining the Millennium Field so no grass cutting costs were paid out for this in 2025.	-£1,960.00
Reason 5: No donations were made to The Village Hall or Sibford Scene in 2025.	-£600.00
Remaining unexplained amount below 10%	-£257.29
	Total <u><u>-£7,793.00</u></u>