

Nuneham Courtenay Parish Council

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Significant variations between Accounting Statements for 2022-23 and 2023-24

Box 4: Staff costs

2022-23: £3,521

2023-24: £2,965

Change: 16% decrease

1. The overall decrease of £556 was the result of the Clerk being required to work 17% fewer hours in 2023-24 than in 2022-23: 208¼ hours in 2023-24 compared with 251½ in 2022-23 – an overall decrease of 43¼ hours worked.
2. The Clerk's hours worked are recorded against 12 categories and the total hours worked in 2023-24 were down on 2022-23 in nine out of 12 categories.
3. The biggest decrease was in the hours the Clerk worked for the Vale and South Oxfordshire Neighbouring Parishes Joint Committee: a decrease of 11½ hours. This reflected the fact that the Clerk had to issue only four invoices in 2023-24, compared with 19 in 2022-23.
4. The second biggest decrease was of 9¼ in the hours the Clerk spent dealing with bills for the Village Hall. This reflected the fact that the Council took responsibility for the Village Hall's electricity bills in 2022-23 whereas the Village Hall Committee took back that responsibility in 2023-24 when its finances were healthier.
5. The third biggest decrease was of 8¾ hours in the hours the Clerk spent on governance. This reflected the fact the Council held six meetings in 2023-24, compared with seven in 2022-23.

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