

K&F PC - Additional explanation of year on year variances and overspends/underspends vs budget 24-25

Expansion of detail included in Financial Report to Annual Parish Meeting April 2025

Year on year variances

AGAR reference	Variance	
2. Precept or Rates and Levies	+£1,332 (+5%)	As per approved Precept increase plus CIL
3. Total other receipts	-£2,705 (-77%)	See "RG VAT refund" below. A VAT reclaim for £2,486 was made on 13/1/25 and resubmitted on 19/3/25 following dialogue with HMRC, however the refund remains outstanding.
4. Staff costs	-£601 (-7%)	Reduction in Clerk salary as per terms of agreement at PC mtg 11 th Nov 2024
6. All other payments	-£3266 (-20%)	Delayed spend on environmental services projects (see below). Also reduced expenditure on Broadband resulting from appointment of new Clerk (see below)

Variances vs budget

Significant overspends	Variance	
Community projects	£710 (215%)	Funding for Parish Newsletter & website. This perpetual spend was approved at the PC meeting on 13 th Nov 23.
Grants \$137 (charitable)	£355 (22%)	Poppy appeal, Xmas collection
Insurances	£126 (9%)	Premium increase
Significant underspends		
Environmental Services	£3,050 (79%)	£1k Reserves allocated but held in Unity savings account. Other planned work (£2k) was not completed during the year, predominantly improved access control to

		restrict unauthorised parking. This work will carry over to 25-6.
Salaries/PAYE	£680 (7%)	Reduction in Clerk salary as per terms of agreement at PC mtg 11 th Nov 2024
RG VAT refund (*expense balanced by income)	£1000 (15%)	Change of HMRC practice leading to delayed payment. This will not now be received until FY 25/6. Note the RG VAT payment is balanced out by HMRC refund The PC claim VAT refund on behalf of the Rec Ground. It appears as in income and expense in the PC accounts
Professional Services Reserves	£1,750 (100%)	Reserves allocated, but held in Unity current account This Reserves allocation is as per budget. Reserves are held in the standard bank accounts
Misc (audit, Broadband etc)	£529 (33%)	Due to the retirement of the previous Clerk, the broadband costs were no longer directly chargeable, hence underspend. There remains a reduced level of expense resulting from Working From Home agreement – part of salary review 11 th Nov 24.



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1st April 25