

(Response to Statement of Variances - Year ended 31 March 2026 Box 6: Other payments)

VARIANCES EXPLANATION

The following listed works were deemed essential by the Council but could not be budgeted for due to their unexpected nature. Aging Council buildings require reactive repair, which is not expected during budget planning. Additionally, a Tree Management Survey carried out in May 2025, prompted unforeseen but essential tree work to be carried out within a 6 month period. Maintenance, plumbing, playground repairs, drainage, and footpath issues that materialised during the year had to be completed for public safety. The Parish Council is aware that these budgetary challenges do occur and will attempt to take them into account at the time of future budget setting.

30-Mar-26	WALLER PARK GARAGE DOOR - ELECTRICAL WORKS	£390.00	
29-Jan-26	DARENTH HALL COOKER INSTALLATION	£222.00	
01-Sep-25	DARENTH HALL REDECORATING WORKS	£6,600.00	
01-Sep-25	DARENTH HALL MAKING GOOD WORKS	£4,800.00	
01-Sep-25	DARENTH HALL REFURBISHMENT WORKS	£4,590.00	
17-Apr-25	DARENTH HALL INTRUDER ALARM REPLACEMENT	£1,824.00	
		£18,426.00	£18,426.00
31-Mar-26	TREE SURVEY WORK	£1,272.00	
16-Feb-26	POPLAR POLLARDING	£1,800.00	
16-Feb-26	POPLAR POLLARD No 220	£1,800.00	
13-Feb-26	TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT CHARGES - TREE POLLARDING	£2,000.00	
13-Feb-26	TREE SURVEY WORK	£400.00	
13-Feb-26	POPLAR POLLARD No 212	£1,800.00	
04-Feb-26	TREE SURVEY WORK Nos 193/194/203/204/364	£1,500.00	
30-Jan-26	TREE SURVEY WORK	£1,356.00	
06-Jan-26	TREE SURVEY WORK	£2,358.00	
05-Jan-26	TREE SURVEY WORK	£1,080.00	
		£15,366.00	£15,366.00
02-Mar-26	DARENTH HALL SINK REPAIRS	£465.00	
11-Dec-25	DARENTH HALL UNDERFLOOR PIPEWORK REPAIRS	£2,785.00	
05-Sep-25	DARENTH HALL PIPEWORK REPAIRS IN LOFT	£1,860.00	

27-Aug-25	DARENTH HALL INLET VALVE REPLACEMENT	£905.00	
27-Aug-25	DARENTH HALL BOILER DECOMMISSION/NEW RADIATORS	£17,286.00	
15-Aug-25	DARENTH HALL CENTRAL HEATING MATERIALS	£2,000.00	
23-Jul-25	DARENTH HALL CENTRAL HEATING MATERIALS	£4,000.00	
17-Jun-25	DARENTH HALL TOILET REPAIRS	£2,445.00	
14-May-25	WALLER PARK PAVILION DISABLED TOILET REPAIR	£180.00	
14-May-25	WALLER PARK PAVILION MALE TOILET FLUSH REPAIR	£424.00	
14-May-25	DARENTH HALL LEAK - TEMPORARY REPAIR	£240.00	
14-May-25	DARENTH HALL WATER PIPE REPLACEMENT	£387.00	
09-Apr-25	WALLER PARK PAVILION PRESSURE GAUGE	£823.00	
		£33,800.00	£33,800.00
20-Mar-26	WALLER PARK REPLACEMENT GARAGE DOOR (2nd Phase Payment)	£2,874.00	
12-Mar-26	WALLER PARK REPLACEMENT GARAGE DOOR (1st Phase Payment)	£2,400.00	
		£5,274.00	£5,274.00
30-Mar-26	WALLER PARK PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT	£1,267.37	
12-Mar-26	PLAYGROUND REPAIRS	£1,125.00	
27-Feb-26	WALLER PARK PAVILION FOOTPATH REPAIRS	£1,200.00	
22-Jan-26	STREETLIGHT REPAIRS DUE TO VANDALISM - CATAPULTS	£570.00	
12-Dec-25	STREETLIGHT REPAIRS DUE TO VANDALISM - CATAPULTS	£930.00	
19-Dec-25	COUNCIL OWNED ROAD DRAINAGE/SOAKAWAY REPAIRS	£489.00	
29-Sep-25	STREETLIGHT REPAIRS DUE TO VANDALISM	£438.00	
		£6,019.37	£6,019.37
	TOTAL:		£78,885.37