

**Explanation of variances – pro forma**

Name of smaller authority: **Gedney Hill Parish Council**

County area (local councils and parish meetings only):

Insert figures from Section 2 of the AGAR in all **Blue** highlighted boxes

Next, please provide full explanations, including numerical values, for the following that will be flagged in the green boxes where relevant:

- variances of more than 15% between totals for individual boxes (except variances of less than £200);
- variances of £100,000 or more require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year;

	2024/25	2025/26	Variance	Variance	Explanation Required?	Explanation
	£	£	£	%		
1 Balances Brought Forward	16,257	24,925				Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, <b>DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES</b> Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	17,750	19,397	1,647	9.28%	NO	
3 Total Other Receipts	19,821	34,458	14,638	73.85%	YES	Code 104 Electricity rebate last year £92.53 this year £0 (-£92.53). Code 101 An increase in Bank Interest last year £646.48 this year £707.87 (+£61.39). Code 102 Included in Receipts a VAT reclaimed (+ £2,892.95). Code 103 Grants and Donations received last year £11,332.78 this year £2,667.91 (-£8,664.87). Cost code 140 Play and Plan Day last year £671.50 this year £0 (-£671.51) receipts this year allocated to code 146 . Cost Code 141 Play Park last year £1,000.00 this year £0 (-£1,000.00) receipts this year allocated to code 146. Code 141 Party in the Park last year £265.00 this year £1,723.31 (+£1,458.31) includes receipts allocation from codes 140 and 141. Code 148 Wryde Croft Wind Farm Funding last year £5,000.00 this year £0 (-£5,000.00). Code 151 Flower and Produce Show last year £0 this year £320.00 (+£320.00).Code 154 Lincolnshire Grass Root Funding grant fund received for the refurbishment of the Pavilion totalling last year £0 this year £24,800.00 (+£24,800.00).Code 157 Easter Egg Hunt last year £0 this year £317.00 (+£317.00) Code 131 Cemetery Fees last year £80.00 this year £880.00 (+£800.00).
4 Staff Costs	5,606	6,422	816	14.55%	NO	

6 All Other Payments	23,296	51,725	28,429	122.03%	YES	<p>Code 104 Electricity payments last year £199.10 this year £982.55 (+£729.45) as a result of EDF price increases. Code 105 South Holland Drainage payments last year £32.67 this year £34.55 (+£1.88). Code 106 Anglian Water last year £72.67 this year £88.28 (+£15.61) Anglian Water price increases. Code 107 D Day / Coronation Celebration last year £1,949.00 this year £0 (-£1,949.00). Code 108 Insurance Premium last year £1,951.33 this year £2,298.27 (+£346.94) increase based on market quotations. Code 109 Audit costs last year £150.00 this year £360.00 (+£210.00), increase from last year as this year include External Audit payments of £252.00. Code 110 Hall Hire last year £272.00 this year £320.00 (+£48.00) additional hire of the hall for two EMO. Code 111 Domain Name Management last year £257.00 this year £418.76 (+£161.76) which includes a year plan one off payment of £267.84. Code 127 Subscriptions last year £120.00 this year £714.38 (+£594.38) the increase includes LALC Membership of £286.96 and £270.42. Code 130 Sundry Small Expenses last year £54.52 this year £380.14 (+£325.62) Postage costs £13.60, purchase of Easter Eggs for the Parish Easter Egg Hunt £93.00 and Pavilion Equipment £273.54. Code 132 Poppy wreath payments last year £110.00 this year £25.00 (-£85.00). Code 134 last year £281.70 this year £0 (-£281.70). Code 135 Bank Charges last year £106.70 this year £146.00 (+£39.30) charges have increased from £6.00 to £7.00 per month on both current accounts. Code 136 Speed awareness last year £0 this year £7.80 (+£7.80) payment for a Cllr attending a speed awareness course. Code 137 Stationary payments last year £992.37 this year £192.92 (-£799.45) last year a large stationary purchase was made. Code 138 Grass cutting last year £1,2750.50 this year £0 as this years payments have been allocated to cost code 147 Play Park and cost code 114 Cemetery Maintenance. Code 139 PPC Play Park Committee last year £120.00 this year £0 (-£120.00) the payments this year have been allocated to the cost codes associated with the actual purchase. Code 145 Cemetery last year £0 this year £55.00 (+£55.00) payments associated with treating a mole infestation. Code 147 Play Park last year £180.42 this year £1,098.76 (+£918.34) payments associated with equipment to host events £652.76, insurance payments associated with hosting the events £63.00 and the costs of submitting a planning application for the installation of play equipment £383.00. Code 149 Clerks mobile last year £0 this year £60.00 (+£60.00) the payment increase is due to the purchase of a mobile this year specifically for the Clerk use at a cost of £6.00 per month. Code 152 Flower and Produce Show last year £0 this year £135.44 (+£135.44). Code 156 Recruitment costs last year £0 this year £224.96 (+£224.96) payments associated with advertising for the vacancy for a new Parish Clerk. Code 158 Music Licence last year £0 this year £121.43 (+£121.43) last year PPL PRS provided the licence for the events free of charge but this year we had a charge. Code 114 Cemetery Maintenance last year £628.56 this year £966.00 (+£337.44) increased payments associated with grass cutting and hedge trimming. Code 118 Pavilion last year £1,154.10 this year £31,712.70 (+£30,558.60) refurbishment costs of £24,800, Fire and Electrical Safety Works capital works £2,997.51 and fire maintenance works £1,081.70, alarm maintenance £470.00, Bollard Repair works £28.00, Cleaning £112.50, Equipment £22.99 and general maintenance £350.00. Code 119 Playing Field last year £8,627.03 this year £2,743.47 (-£5,883.56) whilst costs has reduced the grass is being maintained £733.50, the bollard repaired £309.00 and rubbish bins purchased £445.00. Code 131 Clock Winding last year £150.00 this year £200.00 (+£50.00), general uplift for the service. Code 143 £11.44 this year £0 (-£11.44) last year cost a one off purchase. Code 144 last year £30.00 this year £0. (-£30.00) last year cost a one off purchase. Code 124 Councillor Training last year £45.00 this year £264.00 (+£219.00) increased training for the Councillors. Code 125 Clerk Training last year £397.50 this year £186.00 (+£211.50) new Clerk appointments increased training costs last year.</p>
7 Balances Carried Forward	24,925	20,632				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	24,925	20,605				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	427,822	427,822	0	0.00%	NO	
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO	

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable