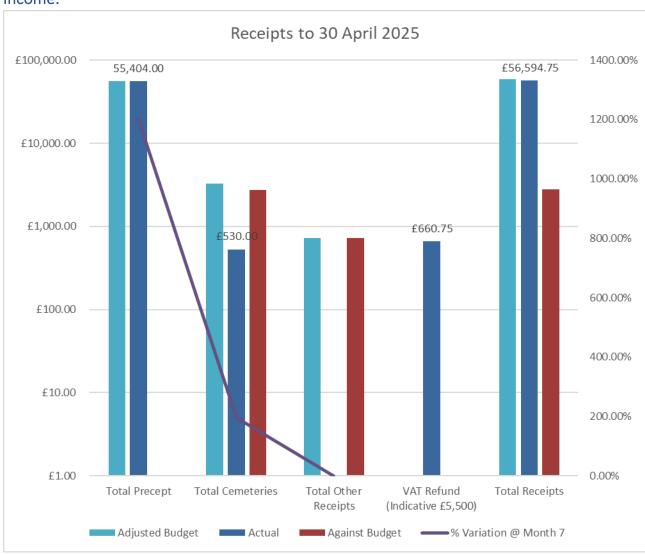
# Budget Report to 30 April 2025

## Income:

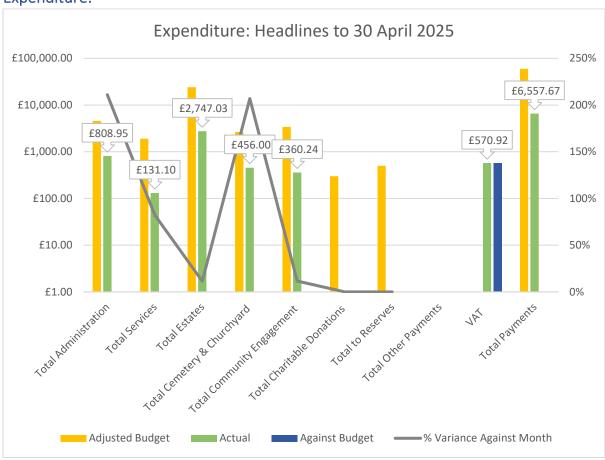


## Notes:

Precept for 2025.26 was received on 28th April 2025

VAT claims are now submitted monthly (where the total is above £100), a total of £660.75 received in April for March '25 claim.

# **Expenditure:**



Notes:

**Administration:** The spending profile is skewed towards the first two quarters of the year,

when most subscriptions and insurance fall due. Staff costs have been

recorded separately to align with separate recording under AGAR.

**Services:** Profile is skewed to first half of year when most software subscriptions fall

due.

**Estates**: Grounds contract invoicing is now monthly, with the contract running from

March to February.

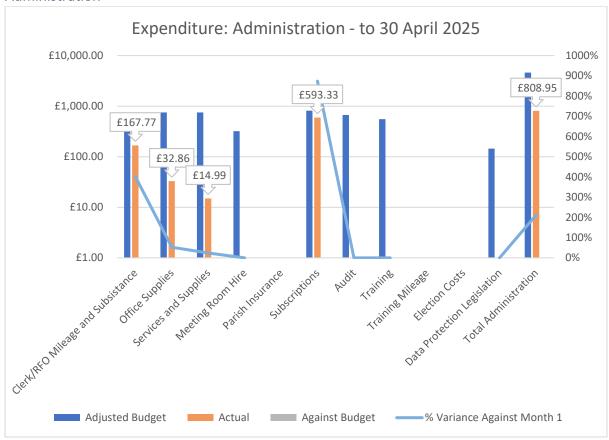
**Community** Grants to local organisations moved to community engagement as in most

**Engagement:** cases the powers to grant fall outside s.137 LGA.

**Projects** No current spending under this headline.

VAT income and expenditure is set as indicative levels and not included in precept calculation or budget lines.

## Administration



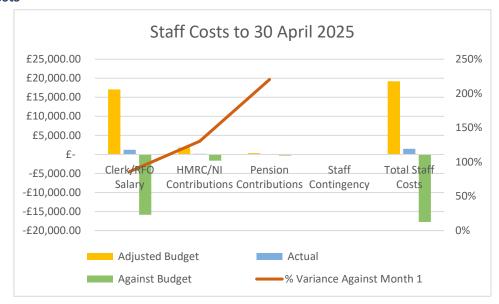
## **Notes:**

**Insurance** – Slightly under budget – Insurers have been advised of recent capital purchases (new metal feat to swing set and replacement cargo net at Cemetery Road – the schedule has been updated with no additional premium).

The parish council is now on a new three year undertaking, with insurance budget set at £1500 and the insurance premium being £1334.48.

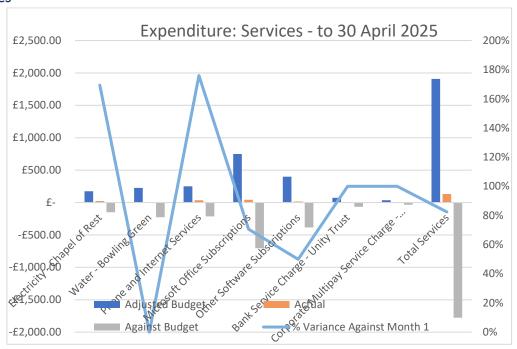
**Training** – There are now two vacancies for parish councillors, which, once recruited, should incur some training costs.

## **Staff Costs**



**Salary** – The clerk has clarified with SALC the way the on-costs (employer NI & pension contributions) are calculated to reduce any risk of overspend.

#### **Services**

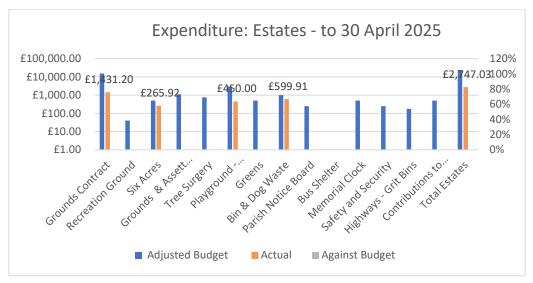


## Notes:

Moving to Everflow for water supply and monthly billing avoided peak bills in the last FY despite a fairly dry summer. The account is currently in credit by approximately £12.

The electricity contract is now open for re-negotiation but currently awaiting new rates to reduce the standing charge.

#### **Estates**

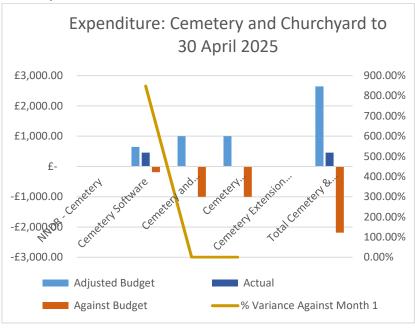


#### **Notes**

A move to identifying any groundworks required during budgeting process has reduced spending over budget.

Maintenance spending on play area equipment has been combined across all sites in the 2025-26 budget. Spend on low-risk issues for play areas will move to February in 2025-26 financial year, to allow for any urgent work which may need to be dealt with.

## Cemetery and Churchyard

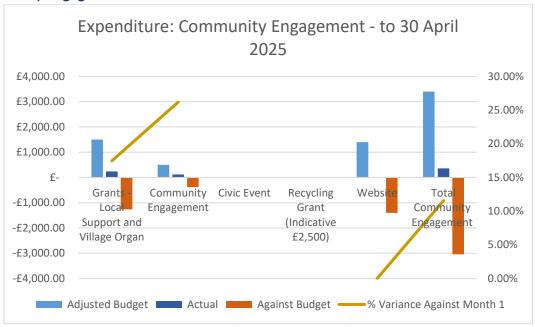


#### Notes:

Cemetery refurbishment (which included works to memorials) was a little over budget. It is now unlikely that costs may yet be recovered on this from deed owners.

Cemetery software was over budget due to a cancellation fee (£137.50) with the previous supplier which had not been budgeted for. Cemetery software for 2025-26 has been paid.

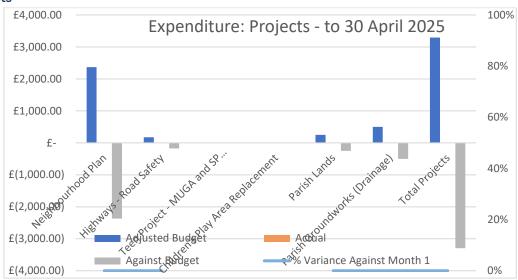
# **Community Engagement**



#### Notes:

One application for a grant has been received and approved in this FY, (but has not yet been paid due to delay in receipt from applicant of acceptance form with bank details).

## **Projects**



## Notes:

An underspend on Neighbourhood Plan arising from delayed invoicing from consultant.

### Overview:

Although a move to BACS has resulted in more timely payments and a reduction in commitments from one financial year being paid in the next. It is important to be aware of this, as delayed payments may on occasion result in an overspend against the budget lines and an identified need to reverse the virements in May arising from the underspend in the previous financial year.

Scheduling decisions on capital expenditure earlier in the financial year have helped to address this issue.

Hilary Workman Clerk & RFO May 2025

## **Earmarked Reserves**

The table below shows Earmarked Reserves following changes from approved budget and Transfer of unspent funds following year end (Minutes 25.04.13 & 14 refer)

			inges to erves	•					
		fron		Transfer					
				Unspent					
Movement in Earmarked Funds	01 April 2025			Funds	April	м	lovement	Current	
Staff Contingency	£ 1,600.00	£	-		•		£0.00	£1,600.00	
Training - line deleted	£ -	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Data Protection - line deleted	£ -	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Elections	£ 600.00	£	(500.00)				-£500.00	£1,100.00	
Insurance - line deleted	£ - "	£	-				£0.00		
Grounds & Asset Maintenance	£ 1,650.00	£	-				£0.00	£1,650.00	
Tree Surgery - line deleted	,,,,,,,	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Cemetery & Churchyard	£ - "	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Play Equipment Replacement	£ 800.00	£	-				£0.00	£800.00	
Play Equipment Maintenance		£	-	£ (2,250.00)	£ 2,250.	0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Playground Replacement	£ -	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Six Acres Development - line deleted		£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Memorial garden - line deleted	£ -	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Legacy - line deleted *	£ -	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Day Club - line deleted *	£ -	£	-				£0.00	£0.00	
Neighbourhood Planning	£ -	£	-	£ (1,870.00)	£ 1,870.	0.00	£0.00	£0.00	
Safety & Security matters	£ 575.00	£	-		£ 575.	5.00	£575.00	£0.00	
Highways	£ 750.00	£	-		£ (325.	5.00)	-£325.00	£1,075.00	
Grants - Local Support & Village									
Organisations	£ 1,855.00	£	-				£0.00	£1,855.00	
Civic Event/Community Engagement	£ -	£	_	£ (500.00)	£ 500.	00	£0.00	£0.00	
Charitable Donations - line deleted*	£ -	£	-	2 (500.00)	_ 500.		£0.00	£0.00	
Total		£	(500.00)	-		-	20.00	20.00	
Total Earmarked Reserves	£ 7,830.00			£ (4,620.00)	£ (4,620.0	.00)	-£250.00	£8,080.00	
									% Operating Reserve to
Operating Reserve	£ 10,975.50							£60,762.58	114.31%
Total Reserves	£ 18,805.50							£ 68,842.58	
* moved to grants & local organisations									

Operating reserves at end of April '25 were £60,762.58, 114.31 % of Net Revenue Expenditure<sup>1</sup> There are no proposed changes to Earmarked Reserves.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Precept less transfers to reserves and capital expenditure Hilary Workman Clerk & RFO May 2025