

Explanation of variances – pro forma

Name of smaller authority: GREAT DUNNLOW TOWN COUNCIL
County area (local councils and UTILES-FORD)

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;
- New from 2025/26 onwards: variances of £500,000 or more in Box 3 require explanation regardless of the % variation year on year for smaller authorities with income and/or expenditure exceeding £5,500,000

	2024/25 £	2025/26 £	Variance £	Variance %	Explanation Required?	Automatic responses trigger below based on figures input, DO NOT OVERWRITE THESE BOXES	Explanation from smaller authority (must include narrative and supporting figures)
1 Balances Brought Forward	1,075,742	1,105,165				Explanation of % variance from PY opening balance not required - Balance brought forward agrees	
2 Precept or Rates and Levies	1,013,793	1,080,977	67,184	6.63%	NO		
3 Total Other Receipts	239,120	213,403	-25,717	10.75%	NO		
4 Staff Costs	525,805	626,076	100,271	19.07%	YES		Excising staff NALC backdated increase £16390, 2 new members of staff £83,881
5 Loan Interest/Capital Repayment	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		
6 All Other Payments	693,685	826,654	132,969	19.17%	YES		See below detailed explanation
7 Balances Carried Forward	1,109,165	950,815				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
8 Total Cash and Short Term Investments	1,145,447	858,150				VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED	
9 Total Fixed Assets plus Other Long Term Investments and	1,104,384	1,430,750	326,366	29.55%	YES		See separate page
10 Total Borrowings	0	0	0	0.00%	NO		

Rounding errors of up to £2 are tolerable

Variances of £200 or less are tolerable

BOX 10 VARIANCE EXPLANATION NOT REQUIRED IF CHANGE CAN BE EXPLAINED BY BOX 5 (CAPITAL PLUS INTEREST PAYMENT)

BOX 5 - detailed explanation	
Financial Assistance Recreation Ground (cancellation grounds staff below)	-126129
No grant to ET Foakes Memorial Hall	-72651
Leagal & Professional re grievance & employment termination	34359
Festive Lights (year 1 of 5 year contract)	45430
Grounds staff no longer recharged to Recreation Ground	122069
New electric truck & EV charger	19295
Dodors Pond project completed in prior year	-202780
Recreation Ground Project to date (still ongoing) MUGA, store, public toilets	276230
Playgrounds - skate park repair	23185
Playgrounds - table tennis tables	4862
Playgrounds - safety surfacing	10517
Small items - balancing figure	-1418
TOTAL	132969

Great Dunmow Town Council financial year 1.4.25 - 31.3.26

ASSETS NOTED

Invoice Date	Payee	Details	Net Amount	ROUNDED
30.9.25	GFK Services Ltd.	Dimplex heater	£373.68	£374
25.11.25	GFK Services Ltd.	Dimplex heater	£373.68	£374
28.11.25	Anglia Fire Protection	New fire alarm system	£3,530.00	£3,530
4.12.25	SE Security Solutions Ltd	Extry intercom system & monitor	£2,202.28	£2,202
20.5.25	RTTec Ltd	Dell desktop/laptop	£1,399.00	£1,399
2.12.25	RTTec Ltd	ARC Smart 7501C	£350.00	£350
28.8.25	Diamond Office Furniture Ltd	2 desks & 4 pedestals	450.00	£450
22.9.25	Ikea Ltd.	Kallax shelving x 3	£379.17	£379
1.9.25	A to Z Supplies	8 x Gopak Contour 25 F tables	£1,000.00	£1,000
31.7.25	Glasdon UK Ltd	Lowther Seat @ Cemetery	£815.33	£815
22.8.25	Fenland Leisure Products Lts	Birds Nest Swing	£1,222.50	£1,222
	Southern Landscape & Construction Ltd			
31.3.26	Ltd	Foundation Springers	£680.00	£680
6.10.25	Picnic Benches	Wheelchair accessible Bench	£1,277.00	£1,277
22.8.25	Rhino Security Ltd	Telescopic bolloard - Downs	£637.50	£637
26.11.25	Glasdon UK Ltd	Lowther Seat @ Downs	£847.97	£848
22.4.25	Street Solutions UK	5 x blank yellow Q-Signs	£216.61	£217
15.7.25	George Browns Ltd	Mountfield petrol mower	£220.00	£220
22.3.26	Hermeq UK Ltd	No waiting bollards x 50	£450.59	£451
5.8.25	Hireco TL Ltd	LDV EV80 caged tipper NX70 USW	£18,000.00	£18,000
20.8.25	OJF Renewables	EV charger & installation	£1,295.00	£1,295
31.3.26	Various	Recreation Ground Project	£308,997.96	£308,998
31.3.26		Demolished old RG Public Conveniences	-£33,994.00	-£33,994
	Southern Landscape & Construction Ltd			
18.12.25	Ltd	Safety Surfacing (claimbing frame)	£10,862.00	£10,862
20.3.26	Xylem Holdings Ltd	Table Tennis Tables x 2	£4,780.00	£4,780
31.3.26	Evolution Skate Parks Ltd	Skate park repair only - not applicable	£0.00	
PROVISIONAL TOTAL			£326,366.27	£326,366
Assets Register at 31.3.25				£1,104,384
Assets Register at 31.3.26				£1,430,750