

Asthal Parish Council: Summarised Accounts & Variance Analysis for Year Ending 31 March 2026

SUMMARY ACCOUNTS (£)	Year ending		Change £	Change %	Note
	31-Mar-26	31-Mar-25			
Balance b/f	6,798	4221.56	114	3.0%	1
Precept	3,914	3,800	(6,464)	-79.7%	2
Other Income	1,644	8,108	0	0.0%	3
Staff costs	1,837	1,837	(3,884)	-51.8%	4
Other costs	3,610	7,495	111	1.6%	5
Balance c/f	6,909	6,798			
Fixed assets	19,705	19,435	270	1.4%	6

VARIANCE ANALYSIS

1. Small increase in precept to cover expected increases in basic administrative costs

2. Other income is down. Grants were received over the course of 2024-25 from CNL for £1500, £2190 from WODC, £1027 from Wild Oxfordshire, £500 from OCC and £2000 from the Wyfold Trust to assist with the re-wilding project on Water Close; a donation of £746 was received for a memorial bench; total £7963. This compares with a VAT refund of £865 and donations of £470 and £140 for a memorial bench and defibrillator training respectively; total £1476 received in 2025-26. A difference of £6487.

3. No increase in costs

4. Other costs are down. In 2024-5 the major works for Water Close totalled £3893. There has been no major work in 2025-26 and costs to service the allotments, defibrillators, benches and noticeboards has been much the same in 2025-26 as in 2024-25

5. Funds carried forward at the end of 2025-26 are comparable to those carried forward at the end of 2024-25. Since nothing has been spent on Water Close this year this reflects funds of £1690 carried forward from the WODC grant of £2190 which was to cover 5 years of work on rewilding Water Close and £1134 similarly carried forward from the Wyfold Trust grant.

6. Fixed asset values are based on estimated replacement costs and replacement bench costs have been increased in line with benches purchased in 2025/26. No additional assets have been acquired.