## **Leavenheath Parish Council**

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## Explanation of Variances for External Audit (Year Ending 31st March 2024)

- 3) The difference in total other receipts of £1997 which was greater in the 2023 year can be explained as follows: During the year ending March 2023, Neighbourhood Plan Grant was greater by £1580, and Events Income was greater by £1434. This can be balanced by £827 more CIL Receipts in the 2024 year and £189 more bank interest in the 2024 year.
- 6) The All-Other payments difference of £5138 which was greater in the 2024 year can be explained as follows: -

During the 2024 Year there was £2334 more on Village Green Expenditure, £2094 more on Events, £278 more on Street Lighting, £200 more charity donations, £164 more on Election costs and £60 more on Meeting publicity The small additional difference is from minor variations over other headings.

8) The differences between boxes 7 and 8 are due to VAT payments still to be re-claimed. In the 2024 year £1583 was paid in respect of VAT

## **Explanation of High Reserves: -**

£31,000 is earmarked for a new Playground made up from £12359 CIL monies £5071 raised at the Jubilee and the balance from Parish Council Reserves.

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