

Minutes of Blessed Hugh Faringdon- Finance Committee Meeting 12 January 2026 at 8.30pm

Present: Fr Claro, Andrew Chell, Lorraine Brabin, Neill Taylor.

Apologies: N/A

Opening Prayer: Fr Claro led with an opening prayer.

Matters arising and Finance Report.

AC reported all monies are now in the current account including £500 ear marked for charitable purposes. The bank balance of £34,001 is in line with expectation.

The Gift Aid claims are completed to 30 September 2025. The October to December quarter is not yet active to claim. It was attempted to update XERO today but on-line access was not available.

Current finance statement.

ACCOUNT	Balance 12 January 2026	Balance 17 November 2025	Balance 15 Sept. 2025	Balance June 2025	Balance March 2025	Balance 20Jan 2025	Balance 2 Dec. 2024
CDP Buckland							
Current account	34,001	34,497	32,540	29,226	30,900	£.32,120	£. 30,437

Buildings Report.

The architect requested a quote to dig a trench for inspection of the church foundations / underpinning for a 2-day period. The quote was £1560.00 which is considered rather high so a one-day period has been requested and is awaited.

Bristol Fire have completed their inspection and service of the alarms and emergency light equipment.

All gas and electricity readings have been reported to IFM.

Pastoral Area Amalgamation –No further developments.

PPC Matters

The notice board selection is ongoing, JP is investigating a modification to the existing board.

Adverts were placed with KBS News and The Advertiser and JP will be reminded to report back on their success.

PPC are considering a retreat and possibly extending it to the wider pastoral area. Sister Julianne has been suggested. TBC.

Father Claro is away 18 January – until 8 February

AC to report to the congregation re progress on the wall and also remind them regarding BACS offertory giving and Gift Aid.

Date of next meetings 2026– Mondays ; 9 March; 11 May ; 13 July

See emails from Lorraine dated 12 January 21.06-21.08 for links.

The meeting closed with a prayer, led by Fr Claro.

Minutes by A. Chell