

Minutes of Blessed Hugh Faringdon- Finance Committee Meeting 13 July 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.

The bank balance of £25,568 is lower than the May value by £468 normally at this time of year the account is recovering from higher winter heating costs. We need to remind the parish that our reserves are falling and invite them to review their offertory, this would be most appropriate in early September.

Current finance statement.

ACCOUNT	13 July 2026	11 May 2026	9 March 2026	Jan. 2026	Nov. 2025	Sept. 2025	June 2025
Balance CDP Buckland							
Current account	25,568	26,036	29,765	34,001	34,497	32,540	29,226

Buildings Report.

Inspection of the footings and underpinning is planned for 11-14 August following some excavation. Access to the church hall via the courtyard will be suspended while this operation is in progress.

The Health and Safety report for Coxwell Gardens has raised enquiries regarding the condition of the brick wall to the rear of the presbytery. Andrew will seek advice from the architect / author of our quinquennial report on how to proceed with this.

Pastoral Area Amalgamation –No further developments.

PPC Matters

No further news regarding the notice board, goody bags and the youth group.

Any other business

The credit card reader recently required some attention and adjustment having failed to work for a couple of weeks. Father Claro fixed it but would like it to be connected directly to the parish account rather than the Filipino chaplaincy account. Andrew to enquire with diocesan finance on this matter.

Date of next meetings 2026– Mondays; 14 September

See emails from Lorraine dated 13 July for details.

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

Minutes by A. Chell