

**Minutes of Blessed Hugh Faringdon- Finance Committee Meeting
2 September 2024 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.

Re heating charges on hall hire Sue Coles reports the fee has not been revised for a long time but the setting of the heating needs checking to ensure it is working accurately. (Paul Padley to check-action AC) AC to check fuel bills and report back. NT reported the charges in the Wantage Methodist Church Hall are £30/2hours. LB to check local fees.

There is no budget from Liturgy or Youth groups yet.

Lorraine will attend the diocesan finance meeting and raise the subject of available grants with Heather Hauschild.

Re ‘Sanctuary Faringdon’ and local charity needs, AC has discussed with Katie Foote and Sjoerd Vogt. Their funds are adequate for current needs at present but will keep in touch. All agreed we should not wait too long before finding uses for the Charity Account.

Current finance statement.

ACCOUNT NAME	Balance 1 July 2024	Balance 2 September 2024
Current account	£. 26,518	£ 26,483
Charities account	3067	3067
Buildings account	587	587

AC reported the Xero year end for 2023-2024 account is completed and reconciled for the Diocesan deadline

Buildings Report.

The architect attended on 30 August to monitor the ‘tell tales’ on the church wall. He will report back in due course. There is little significant movement of the cracks so far and so continued monitoring is the best course of action.

NT has inspected the main church gutters with his drone and taken photographs. They are working but there is some moss present. AC to investigate insurance reqs.

Health and Safety. A meeting with ‘Work Nest’ is arranged for 3 September. AC, Fr Claro and Steve Barlow will attend.

Pastoral Amalgamation – There is a meeting to discuss on Tuesday 17 September in the Church. 7.30 pm. for those concerned.

AOB- AC and LB to attend the CDP Finance Meetings 2nd October and 23rd September.

Date of next meeting. Monday 7 October 8.30 pm. Zoom.

Minutes by A. Chell