

**Minutes of Blessed Hugh Faringdon- Finance Committee Meeting  
3 June 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

The Finance Group had not met since 01-12-2023 . Fr Claro outlined that going forward this group would comprise of those listed above for the purpose of organising and managing parish finance . Maintenance members ( Audrey Curnock ) and Health and safety members ( Steve Barlow and Roland Quinney ) will report and liaise to this group according to needs . Expenditure on items under £1000 will be notified to Andrew according to need and above £1000 will need to be presented to the finance committee prior to any commitment.

Fr Claro said the diocese were most concerned that all parishes have a budget going forward in order to manage finances and not spend beyond their means . Andrew replied that the diocese have suggested a draft budget and he was in the process of liaising with them. Groups within the parish are to be consulted for their budgetary needs , Liturgy – J.P.Crilly and Youth , Nicole .

Neill raised the issue of heating charges for the Hall which we believe are still £ 1.20 /hr and may need reviewing . Action. Neill to investigate.

We have been given some roof insulation by Tim Hebborn and need to investigate the value of insulating the roof space above the main church ceiling . Andrew to discuss with Audrey and Architect.

Prior to the next meeting we need to check the B.IHugh Zoom registration which probably resides with Audrey. Action: Andrew.

Andrew reported the Bl Hugh ( Buckland St. George ) bank accounts

ACCOUNT NAME	Balance 9.October 2023	Balance 3 June 2024
Current account	£. 26,164	£ 26,477
Charities account	3067	3067
Buildings account	587	587

The Charities account goes back to the days when 50% of parish income was donated to charity. This account has been frozen for some years but is really due for charitable purposes . Action. Neill to investigate and advise.

Date of next meeting. Monday 1 July 8.30 pm. Zoom.

Minutes by A.Chell