

The Parish of St Paul, Oldham

Minutes of St Paul's PCC Meeting held via Zoom

At 7.00pm on Thursday 23rd April 2026

Present: Zahra Shafiei (Chair), Nick Andrewes, Lynne Street, Carol Vaudrey, Colin Platt.
Auriel Hopkinson, Bahati Philemoni, Richard McEwan.

Apologies: - Megan Locklin, Andrea Marshall.

Prayers: - Richard

Minutes from 10th February 2026 were passed as correct.

Proposed by: - Carol

Seconded by: - Nick

Unanimously Agreed

Matters arising: - None

Correspondence: - None

Vicars Report: - The Easter services were well attended and enjoyed by those who came. It was decided to print flyers, in colour, as publicity for new events. The Confirmation will be held at St Thomas's on the 10th May; there is one candidate from St Paul's. The "Fit for Purpose" Lent course was well attended. The disposal of the old kitchen water heater was discussed, Nick suggested offering it to the Roma church. Nigel needs to be consulted over disconnecting it from the electric.

Fabric: - Having been successful with our grant application from the One Oldham Fund, the agreement paperwork has not been received, therefore work cannot begin. The Diocese has given permission, under List B, to complete the underfloor work.

The Fabric committee met on site to look at the various aspects of the building that requires repair work. The roof plans were discussed as this work will resolve the issues we are having with the Chancel Arch, Sanctuary Arch and Organ chamber.

The PCC approves the application for work on the roof above the Chancel and Sanctuary arches under List B

Unanimously Agreed

The grant application to the War Memorials Trust, for work on and around the East Window, has been refused. A grant application will be made to the Diocesan Building Fund for £20k, this has to be match funded. Nick also talked about applying for a de-carbonisation grant

Chairs: - The Fabric committee also discussed the design and colours for the chairs. A palette of earth colours was chosen, yellow, orange and red.

