



CULLERCOATS
METHODIST CHURCH



Annual Report of the (Managing) Trustees
(covering the year from September 2020 to August 2021)

Charities Commission Report

Our Mission

To live and grow in the love of God and to show how God, through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit, gives meaning and direction to life.

Our Vision

To be a positive influence both on those we live and work alongside and those that use our building each day.

Objectives and Activities

When planning our objectives and activities for the year, the trustees have considered the Charity Commission's guidelines on public benefit and, in particular, the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion. We try to enable ordinary people to live out their faith as part of our community through the four core activities of the Methodist Churches "Our Calling".

The people who make up Cullercoats Methodist Church are a living community rich in our diversity but united in loving and following Jesus. Because our church includes a full age range from 0 – 99, we try to offer something for everybody on a very varied and full menu of activities, worship, groups and interests.

We are a church which is proud of its evangelical roots, and is always seeking to join in God's mission. We enjoy a high profile within the communities of Cullercoats, Marden Estate and Tynemouth, but include people who travel into CMC because this is where they wish to belong.

We work collaboratively across the North Shields and Whitley Bay Methodist Circuit and wider in the Newcastle-Upon-Tyne Methodist District. We seek to encourage Kingdom growth in the local area, working with other churches and Christian groups where ever possible.

Achievements and Performance

As we have moved out of the restrictions placed upon us by the COVID19 pandemic we have been slowly trying to find our feet again. The disruption of the previous few years has meant much has changed including people's health and habits. During this year we have tried to re-establish certain groups in a safe way so that people could meet again. This has proved a slow and difficult journey at times but we have managed to navigate our way through it.

Move to Digital

The pandemic caused us to embrace the digital world and saw us trial various ways to meet online. As we have moved back into meeting in person we have tried to adapt our digital presence. We continue to offer zoom for our main Sunday services so people can join in from home if they are unwell or unable to make it in person.

We have also continued to use zoom for some meetings even with the ability to meet in person. This option has been helpful as it has given us a flexibility of when and where we can meet. As our building has become busier with community groups using the rooms available, meeting on zoom has given us an extra option going forward.

Meeting digitally also works to reduce our environmental impact as people do not need to travel by car to meetings or worship. This is only a small benefit but one that is important to note as we seek to make our church more eco friendly.

Continuing Lockdown Lessons

During the COVID19 lockdowns we discovered new ways of connecting with our community and building relationships with others. As we have moved out of this time we have tried to learn some of the important lessons and continue them now.

This has included;

- Creating and handing out gifts at certain times in the year to bless our community.
- Continuing to develop how our messy church runs and connecting with new families.
- Creating opportunities to meet people outside the building as well as in.

Reopening the Building

During COVID19 we spent a lot of time decorating and refurbishing parts of the building during the time it was closed. Since the restrictions have been lifted we have been able to welcome a number of local community groups, small businesses and other organisations into the building.

We have hired our rooms out to groups who work with children and have a number of sessions now that run in the week for those with babies. We have also seen all of our uniformed organisations start up again and begin to meet throughout the week.

We have also been able to offer space to groups who would not be able to afford rooms but who we have felt would benefit from being gifted the space. This included a group of mums who had babies during the pandemic and hadn't been able to meet up with others. We were able to give them a room to meet in each week at no charge to allow them to socialise with other mums and for their babies to spend time with others.

Looking Forward

As things have begun to return to normal we have also begun to look at the future and how we can moved forward. We recognise that our resources are not what they once were but we hope to be able to do some new things in our communities in the coming years.

Cullercoats Methodist Church

End of Year Financial Statements

Year ending 31st August 2021

Introduction

The End of Year Financial Statements of Cullercoats Methodist Church for the year ending 31st August 2021 are presented on the following pages. The accounts have been prepared using the Finance Coordinator accounting package for church organisations developed and supported by Data Developments.

Comments

The statement of financial activities shows a decrease in Church Funds of £4,811 during the year ending 31st August 2021.

These figures are very encouraging given that the Covid 19 pandemic had a significant impact on church activities from mid-March 2020 through to 31st August 2021 and beyond.

There are two key reasons for this decrease in church funds. Firstly, member donations were sadly reduced by around £4,000 due to a Covid related decrease in active members. Secondly, serial Covid 19 lockdowns led to a reduction in room lettings of around £5,000. Pleasingly, these reductions were offset by a number of small grants and legacies received, and operating costs were reduced due to Covid 19 related reduced in-church activity.

Church reserves continue to be healthy, representing approximately 4 months of church outgoings. We expect this trend to continue through 2022 as room lettings recover post-Covid 19, and fund raising activities are able to resume.

List of Church Council Members (Trustees) during 2021

Rev David Wynd	Minister
Mrs Jill Turner	Church Council Secretary
Mr Andrew Esson	Treasurer
Mr Paul Fairlamb	Steward
Mr George Chapman	Steward
Mr John Brown	Steward
Mrs Sue Carr	Church Meeting Representative
Mrs Barbara Kemp	Pastoral Committee
Mr Peter Hutton	Property Secretary
Mr Robin Berks	Finance Committee
Mrs Christine Williams	Young Church Coordinator
Mrs Maureen Morrison	Lay Workers
Mrs Carolyn Forrest	Church Meeting Representative
Mrs Anne Hutton	Church Meeting Representative
Mrs Kathy Wakefield	Church Meeting Representative
Mrs Lynn Jones	Church Meeting Representative
Mr Stewart Morrison	Church Meeting Representative
Ms Pauline Wright	Church Meeting Representative
Mrs Sheila Gibbon	Safeguarding Officer
Mr Graham Tipple	Worship Development Group Chair

Statement of Financial Activities

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
1 - Offerings and Tax recoverable	100,295	—	—	100,295	104,200
2 - Interest and Investment Income	583	—	—	583	2,875
3 - Lettings	4,731	—	—	4,731	10,123
4 - Other Income	15,930	26,539	—	42,470	35,223
Donations for General/Project Funds	—	—	—	—	—
Total income	121,540	26,539	—	148,080	152,423
Resources used					
8 - Circuit Assessment or Share	87,600	—	—	87,600	73,953
9 - Grants and Donations	100	—	—	100	—
10 - Repairs and Maintenance	9,921	—	—	9,921	9,172
11 - Insurance, Utilities, etc.	7,825	—	—	7,825	10,543
12 - Depreciation	1,653	—	—	1,653	1,974
14 - Other Expenditure	20,369	27,073	—	47,443	47,304
15 - Major Projects	—	—	—	—	—
Total expenditure	127,469	27,073	—	154,543	142,947
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(5,929)	(534)	—	(6,463)	9,475
Transfers					
Gross transfers between funds - in	102,057	391	—	102,448	84,844
Gross transfers between funds - out	(102,057)	(391)	—	(102,448)	(84,844)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
Net movement in funds	(5,929)	(534)	—	(6,463)	9,475
Total funds brought forward	73,616	47,419	—	121,036	111,560
Total funds carried forward	67,686	46,885	—	114,572	121,036
Represented by					
Unrestricted					
General fund	52,353	—	—	52,353	64,758
Designated					
ALPHA Mission Project	—	—	—	—	—
Bank Transfers	—	—	—	—	—
Circuit Quarterly Provision	0	—	—	0	(2,216)
General - Fixed Assets	(17,541)	—	—	(17,541)	(15,887)
H@H - Holiday at Home	729	—	—	729	729
Mission Contingency	7,340	—	—	7,340	6,560
Mission Partners	502	—	—	502	502
Outlook Mission Provision	11,700	—	—	11,700	7,800
Praise Party	0	—	—	0	0
Property Contingency	10,411	—	—	10,411	9,180
Sponsorship	0	—	—	0	0
Summer Special	2,187	—	—	2,187	2,187
Restricted					
Agency collection	—	—	—	—	—
Benevolence	—	1,095	—	1,095	1,095
Buildings Improvement Fund	—	(520)	—	(520)	(520)
Investments @ TMCP	—	58,566	—	58,566	58,566
Memorial	—	979	—	979	979
PAYE Working Fund	—	(274)	—	(274)	(274)
Playgroup Working Fund	—	(12,959)	—	(12,959)	(12,425)
Young Church	—	—	—	—	—

Balance sheet

Class and code	Description	This year	Last year
Fixed assets			
ASSAVA	Audio Visual Aids	—	—
ASSBLD	Church Buildings	1,850	1,850
ASSCHR	Chairs in Church	—	—
ASSINV	TMCP Investments	65,124	66,777
ASSMOW	Motor Mower	—	—
	Total Fixed assets	66,974	68,627
Current assets			
BNKBRC	Barclays 40316822	7,047	14,257
BNKCFB	CFB 28601	24,928	19,151
BNKCSH	Cash in Hand	—	—
BNKPTY	Petty Cash	200	200
BNKTMCP	TMCP 18147	998	998
BNKTSB	TSB 14408360	5,408	19,147
Z05	Accounts Receivable	9,854	7,709
	Total Current assets	48,437	61,464
Liabilities			
6699	Agency collections	839	839
Z04	Accounts Payable	—	8,217
	Total Liabilities	839	9,056
	Net Asset surplus(deficit)	114,572	121,036
Reserves			
	Excess / (deficit) to date	(6,463)	9,475
Z01	Starting balances	121,036	111,560
Z02	Other gains/(losses)	—	—
	Total Reserves	114,572	121,036
	Represented by funds		
	Unrestricted	52,353	64,758
	Designated	15,333	8,858
	Restricted	46,885	47,419
	Endowment	—	—
	Total	114,572	121,036

Statement of assets and liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	This year	Last year
Fixed assets - Investments						
TMCP Investments -	—	(6,543)	71,667	—	65,124	66,777
Totals	—	(6,543)	71,667	—	65,124	66,777
Fixed assets - Tangible assets						
Audio Visual Aids -	1,200	(1,200)	—	—	—	—
Church Buildings -	1,850	—	—	—	1,850	1,850
Totals	3,050	(1,200)	—	—	1,850	1,850
Current assets - Cash at bank and in hand						
Barclays 40316822 -	44,296	(29,306)	(7,942)	—	7,047	14,257
CFB 28601 -	(4,859)	29,787	—	—	24,928	19,151
Petty Cash -	—	200	—	—	200	200
TSB 14408360 -	(89)	5,497	—	—	5,408	19,147
Totals	39,348	6,178	(7,942)	—	37,584	52,756
Current assets - Debtors						
Accounts Receivable -	9,854	—	—	—	9,854	7,709
Totals	9,854	—	—	—	9,854	7,709
Current assets - Investments						
TMCP 18147 -	99	16,898	(16,000)	—	998	998
Totals	99	16,898	(16,000)	—	998	998
Liabilities - Agency accounts						
Agency collections -	—	—	839	—	839	839
Totals	—	—	839	—	839	839
Liabilities - Creditors: Amounts falling due in one year						
Accounts Payable -	—	—	—	—	—	8,217
Totals	—	—	—	—	—	8,217
Grand total	52,353	15,333	46,885	—	114,572	121,036

Analysis of income and expenditure

	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Endowment	Total This year	Last year
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS						
1 - Offerings and Tax recoverable						
DONCSH - Collection Plate Cash	4,505	—	—	—	4,505	4,455
DONENV - Envelope Scheme	2,196	—	—	—	2,196	6,085
DONSND - Sundry Donations	6,944	—	—	—	6,944	11,900
DONTAX - Gift Aid Tax Recovered	24,819	(6,000)	—	—	18,819	13,130
DONTSB - TSB Direct Receipts	67,829	—	—	—	67,829	68,628
Total	106,295	(6,000)	—	—	100,295	104,200
2 - Interest and Investment Income						
INVINT - Investment Interest Received	26	556	—	—	583	2,875
Total	26	556	—	—	583	2,875
3 - Lettings						
TRDLET - Letting of Premises	4,731	—	—	—	4,731	10,123
Total	4,731	—	—	—	4,731	10,123
4 - Other Income						
MISPRJ - Mission Project Income	20	—	—	—	20	—
OFFPRJ - Office Project Income	—	—	—	—	—	—
PRPPRJ - Property Project Income	—	—	—	—	—	—
TRDFEE - Fees for Weddings, etc.	100	—	—	—	100	489
TRDOFF - Office Services Income	4,285	—	—	—	4,285	5,305
TRDPRP - Property Services Income	—	—	—	—	—	267
TRDPRT - Printing Services Income	—	—	—	—	—	—
VOLCMC - Appeal for CMC Funds	—	—	—	—	—	—
VOLGRT - Grants Received	4,525	—	—	—	4,525	8,883
VOLLEG - Legacies Received	7,000	—	—	—	7,000	2,000
VOLPLAY - Playgroup Receipts	—	—	26,539	—	26,539	18,277
Total	15,930	—	26,539	—	42,470	35,223
4 - Other Income - Donations for General/Project Funds						
DONBIF - Buildings Improvement Fund Donations	—	—	—	—	—	—
GRTBIF - Buildings Improvement Fund Grants	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—
INCOME TOTAL	126,983	(5,443)	26,539	—	148,080	152,423

EXPENDITURE

8 - Circuit Assessment or Share

CIRASS - Circuit Assessment	—	87,600	—	—	87,600	73,953
Total	—	87,600	—	—	87,600	73,953

9 - Grants and Donations

GFTCMC - CMC General Gifts	100	—	—	—	100	—
MINGFT - Ministry Gifts	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	100	—	—	—	100	—

10 - Repairs and Maintenance

PRPBLD - Building Maintenance	3,245	885	—	—	4,130	2,697
PRPGRD - Garden/Grounds Maintenance	150	—	—	—	150	200
PRPMTL - Cleaning/Consumable Materials	201	—	—	—	201	949
PRPSTF - Property Staff	5,439	—	—	—	5,439	5,324
Total	9,036	885	—	—	9,921	9,172

11 - Insurance, Utilities, etc.

UTLELC - Utilities - Electric	1,373	—	—	—	1,373	2,502
UTLGAS - Utilities - Gas	3,520	—	—	—	3,520	4,344

12 - Depreciation

DPRASS - Depreciate Fixed Assets	—	1,653	—	—	1,653	1,974
Total	—	1,653	—	—	1,653	1,974

14 - Other Expenditure

GENAVA - General AVA Maintenance	154	—	—	—	154	—
GENBEV - General Beverages, etc.	—	—	—	—	—	626
GENBNK - General Bank Charges/Refunds	—	—	—	—	—	—
GENLIB - General Library Costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
GENLIC - General Licenses	1,122	—	—	—	1,122	1,051
GENMUS - General Music Costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
GENORG - General Organist Costs	—	—	—	—	—	319
GENPUB - General Church Publicity	—	—	—	—	—	—
GENSBS - General Subscriptions	—	—	—	—	—	—
MINMIS - Mission Work	260	—	—	—	260	271
MINMTL - Pastoral Materials	150	—	—	—	150	414
MINTRN - Training Costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
MINVIS - Visiting Preacher Costs	—	—	—	—	—	—
MINYC - Young Church Costs	529	—	—	—	529	420
OFFMTL - Office Materials	1,496	—	—	—	1,496	1,687
OFFSRV - Office Servicing	—	—	—	—	—	390
OFFSTF - Office Staff	11,565	—	—	—	11,565	10,836
OFFTEL - Office Telephone/Internet	1,980	—	—	—	1,980	2,147
PAYPLAY - Playgroup Wages	—	—	26,682	—	26,682	24,534
PAYTAX - HMRC - Tax + NICs	—	—	391	—	391	1,085
PRTLSE - Printing Equipment Leasing	1,157	—	—	—	1,157	1,157
PRTMTL - Printing Material	1,950	—	—	—	1,950	2,364

PRTSRV - Printer Servicing

Total	—	—	—	—	—	—
	20,369	—	27,073	—	47,443	47,304

15 - Major Projects

EXPBIF - Buildings Improvement Fund Expenditure	—	—	—	—	—	—
PRJMIN - Projects - Ministry	—	—	—	—	—	—
PRJMIS - Projects - Mission	—	—	—	—	—	—
PRJOFF - Projects - Office	—	—	—	—	—	—
PRJPRP - Projects - Property	—	—	—	—	—	—
PRJPRT - Projects - Printing	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total	—	—	—	—	—	—
EXPENDITURE TOTAL	37,331	90,138	27,073	—	154,543	142,947
GRAND TOTAL	89,651	(95,581)	(534)	—	(6,463)	9,475

Conclusion

Our finances in the year ending 31st August 2021 continue to be healthy.

We have continued to weather the challenges to date of the Covid 19 pandemic due to a combination of reduced expenditure and some much appreciated grants and legacies received during the year. This trend has continued in the eight months since the end of August 2021.

This report dated: 6th June 2022

Andy Esson
Treasurer
Cullercoats Methodist Church

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Cullercoats Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st Aug 2021

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- ☐ Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- ☐ to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- ☐ to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting

records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met;

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signature:



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