

# CHANDLER'S FORD METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1127449

## Details

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Other names	CFMC
Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-01-09
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

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## Activities

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**Objects:** The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the date of union the advancement of -(a) the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of the Methodist Church;(b) any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, district, circuit, local or other organisation of the Methodist Church;(c) any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church;(d) any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

**Activities:** The activities of Chandler's Ford Methodist Church are summarised in the mission statement: Our purpose is to worship God and, helped by the Holy Spirit, to love each other, to care for those in need and to share the love of Jesus with those in the community around us. We will do this as a church that seeks inclusion and challenges exclusion.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Hampshire

## Finances

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Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£575,870	£436,479	£2,867,209	16
2023-08-31	£410,290	£404,797	-	-
2022-08-31	£347,173	£338,186	-	-
2021-08-31	£331,210	£320,722	-	-
2020-08-31	£366,280	£380,800	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Alison Elizabeth Fenwick		2024-09-18
Anne Lindsay Heath		2019-05-01
BARBARA JACQUELINE ACKROYD		2012-07-02
Barbara Catherine Lowe		2019-05-01
Brenda Celia Ann Syrratt		2021-11-01
Caroline Anne Husain		2025-06-02
Chris Goodhead		2003-04-27
DAVID GREGORY WRIGHTON		
DIANE LYNDA PUGH		2012-07-02
DR TONY HILL		2016-05-01
Hilary Joan Bowman Singer		2021-11-01
JANE CAROLINE PADLEY		2012-07-02
JANE ELIZABETH MERRYMAN ACMA		
Jennifer Heal		2019-09-25
Julie Samantha Pearce		2024-09-18
Linda Margaret Hedley		2025-06-02
Martin James Waldron		2025-02-12
Rev Bryan Frederick Coates		2025-02-12
Rev Kate Elizabeth Cambridge		2025-02-12
Rev Peter Gerrard Rayson		2022-09-01
Rev Rachael Louise Hawkins		2025-09-01
Ruth Johnson		2018-05-01
SUSAN JANE GULLIVER		2024-06-03
Sandra Anne Coates		2025-02-12
Sara Jane Goodhead		2013-04-29
Tim Padley		2020-09-01

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# Accounts

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# **Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

## **Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2024**

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church is a registered charity, number 1127449

Address: Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 2GJ

Minister and Chair of Trustees: Revd. Ruth Fry

The church has a total membership of 230 as at November 2024 (November 2023: 238), of which 32 served as trustees during the year. We take our place within the Winchester Eastleigh & Romsey Circuit and the Southampton District as part of the national Methodist Church.

### **Vision:**

*'Making more faithful followers of Jesus.'*

### **Mission Statement:**

Our purpose is to worship God and, helped by the Holy Spirit, to love each other, to care for those in need and to share the love of Jesus with those in the community around us.

### **The Methodist Church**

We are part of the wider Methodist Church, a Christian denomination. The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission.

### **Church priorities**

In September 2020 we agreed on four church priorities, which are ongoing:  
Worship, Learning, Caring and Service.

***Worship*** which nurtures people in different stages of life

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church (or "CFMC") continues to offer worship which nurtures people of all ages and stages of faith, and which embraces a variety of worship styles.

As a church we worship God each Sunday, both morning and evening and during a Thursday midweek service. The Sunday 11 am morning service and the Thursday 10.30 am morning service continue to be available in hybrid form (both in person and online). These services are led by Ministers and Local Preachers from the Circuit with church members and adherents as well as authorised worship leaders contributing prayers, readings, and music.

The 'Breakfast Church' service which meets at 9.30 am on the first Sunday of each month goes from strength to strength. This is a service in which those who come along share breakfast together followed by an informal, creative, and contemporary style act of worship. It is popular

with people of all ages but particularly with families, children, and young people. These are planned and lead by a team of volunteers working with an accredited worship leader, Local Preacher or Minister.

The weekly worship at home sheet sent out by the circuit administrator to all churches in the circuit to distribute to those who would otherwise be unable to participate in a weekly act of worship is very much appreciated by those who continue to receive it. There have been several Local arrangements for worship at the 11am service this year which have been led by members of the congregation and have been very well received by all.

The Minister has taken funeral services over the year as have supernumerary Ministers. There have not been any weddings. There was one baptism. The annual remembering service to which recently bereaved members are invited once again proved to be popular and very well received.

**Learning** which equips us as disciples to share God's love and our faith in the church and the world.

The learning programme in the year for our church was called '**I believe ...**' and is based on statements from the Apostles' Creed. The aim is to provide opportunities for members of the worshipping community to reflect upon the fundamentals of the Christian faith and learn how to best share these reflections with others, including non-Christians. This is an occasional series which began with 'I believe in ... God, the Father almighty' in October 2023 and has been followed by 'I believe in ... Jesus Christ, God's only Son' in January 2024 and 'I believe in ... the Holy Spirit' in April 2024. As well as a Personal Bible Study, there is a Group Bible Study that explores each theme in greater depth for use by House Groups.

During Autumn 2023, our own minister, Ruth, in conjunction with another minister from the circuit ran an 8-week course entitled Compass on Tuesday evenings. This explored what it means to know Jesus more deeply and was equally suitable for those simply wishing to find out more, new Christians and lifelong followers of Jesus alike.

Various Fellowship and House Groups continue to meet on a regular basis. Each is responsible for its own programme, but typically this includes a combination of outside speakers, Bible study and topical discussion.

**Caring** which deepens our fellowship and enables us to be an inclusive community.

Pastoral Care is led by our minister Ruth, faithfully assisted by Jane Padley as Lay Pastoral Assistant, and pastoral visitors (who are volunteers drawn from the church membership). There is an annual Pastoral Visitors' Rededication Service which this year took place in July and a Remembering Service which is held on a Sunday close to All Saints' Day (November 1<sup>st</sup>).

Pastoral visitors meet together three times a year to discuss common issues and receive training. Over this past year that has included a session on dementia led by an external speaker Valerie Down from the charity dementia friends.

**Service** through which we share our faith by serving the local community and the wider world.

The service action team coordinates our support for people suffering from injustice both locally and globally. Locally we support the work of Eastleigh Basics Bank, coordinating regular donations and volunteers, and also support local community organisation SCRATCH in its Christmas toy appeals. Our Dovetail Café continues to provide a meeting place for individuals and groups within the community and has continued to grow in popularity as a place where a warm welcome can be found. More Globally we support and promote the work of All We Can and Christian Aid and coordinate responses to Emergency appeals when these arise.

Our community larder continues to provide an open access store outside the church which members of the local community can access anonymously according to their need. This is stocked by donations from local stores and from the church and community. The larder is much used and has received appreciative comments on local social media.

This year the Church is developing a 'Wellbeing Creating Church' initiative, with funded support from local chaplaincy charity IBEX. Through this we hope to explore new ways to support the varied facets of wellbeing not only of our own members but also of the local community, through working with the many groups who use our premises and collaborating with others such as local social prescribers.

### **Work with children, families, and young people**

CFMC has employed someone in this area of our mission for many years. Our children, young people and families' Pastor, Ellie Purkiss, continued to lead the work until resigning in January 2025 to take up other employment. However, we are extremely fortunate that the work with children and young people has also been supported by many volunteers, and since January many more volunteers have stepped up and there are now over 23 people working across the many different clubs and activities. This does not include all the uniformed groups that are also connected with CFMC.

It has been a very busy period of applying for DBS checks, undertaking Safeguarding Training and finding new ways of working in order that we still offer all that we did before with an employed worker. We are grateful to our Circuit Safeguarding Officer, Marilyn Pack, and to our Circuit Youth Worker, Sam Barnes, for their input and support.

DoveTots, Kids' Club, Youth Club, Who Let the Dads Out, Breakfast Church, and Sunday Kids' Church are all operating well at the time of writing, but as before it is very difficult to predict numbers attending on a week-to-week basis particularly with so many other activities for children and young people across many disciplines in our community. We hope that what we do offer

brings children and parents into the orbit of church life and that our welcome and hospitality makes a lasting impression for the future.

We are grateful for Sandy Coates stepping up as Steward for Children and Families, offering support, administration, continuity and support where needed. We are using this time for reflection and review; we hope to employ a part-time Youth Worker in the coming months after discussion and exploration with our new Minister; we continue to hope and pray that our work with children and young people will grow.

In addition, Peter Pan Pre-School is a semi-autonomous facility offered by the church and run by qualified staff. This provides OFSTED approved education and care for 2-5 year olds, on weekdays during term time.

## **Resources**

The year under review saw increasing use of our wonderful suite of premises, both church-related and external users.

Our paid staff team play a vital role in maintaining the church as a widely appreciated community centre at the heart of Chandler's Ford. Katrina Neale our Church Centre Manager, has overseen all matters relating to lettings and helps maintain good relations with a wide variety of community groups operating in the fields of health and welfare, fitness, education, art, music, etc. Our Property Manager Shaun Fletcher retired in December 2023 after many years of good stewardship of the premises and we welcomed Glenn Stephens as his replacement. We also said farewell to our long-standing caretaker Keith Cole in April 2024, and we are pleased to now have Graham Alders in post.

These paid roles are of course supported by a large number of volunteers. This is exemplified in the Dovetail Café which is open six mornings a week and run entirely by volunteers. Our overall aim is to ensure that we make the most of the wonderful facilities we have, offering support and hospitality to all, at a fair cost.

Our multi-phase 30 Years On project continued in the year under review, following the installation of solar panels and batteries in 2023. The name 30 Years On encapsulates a vision: conscious that the church layout was dramatically changed 30 years ago with the building of the Dovetail Centre and various elements, including heating, needing overhaul – but more importantly it focusses on the future and making the premises fit for purpose for the next generation, including accessibility as well as environmental improvements.

The fundraising aspect of 30 Years On was formally launched in October 2023 with a target of £200,000, and the church family and wider community has risen to this significant challenge. At the same time grant funding has been secured both from Methodist sources (District and Circuit) and other grant making trusts. With guidance from experienced church design and planning consultants, at time of writing we have completed two significant phases of work: Heating

(including new boilers) and Accessibility (including a lift to the upstairs rooms and a re-working of toilet facilities). Work is ongoing in respect of the remaining phases focusing on sustainability.

### **Oversight and Governance**

The trustees are members of the Church Council. Members' representatives and Church Stewards are elected at the Annual Church Meeting. A number of committees take responsibility for specific areas of church life and report to the Church Council, including Worship and Service, plus a Resources Committee which oversees the management of staff, property and finance. The Church Council meets quarterly, to review the mission of the church and to discharge its duties as trustees.

The Church Council maintains the highest possible standards in safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. It continues to monitor safeguarding risks, as well as other risks relating to finance and operations (including use of the church premises) and to manage them in as effective a way as possible.

During the year, the leadership team has also continued to meet regularly, with Revd Ruth Fry as the Chair. The leadership team, and wider church, were devastated by the sudden death of Ken Richardson in August 2024. Ken took a leading role in CFMC's Learning activities (see above) as well as being a Lay Preacher and involved in many other aspects of church life. Around the same time we also said farewell from leadership positions to Mark Downer and Anne-Marie Jenkins, and we thank them warmly for their very significant contributions over many years of active service.

### **Fulfilling aims and Public Benefit**

The church mission statement is achieved through a wide variety of worship services, fellowship meetings, group activities, learning opportunities, and the presence of the church and its members in the local community. More details can be found on the church website [www.cfmethodist.church](http://www.cfmethodist.church) By way of examples, the Dovetail Centre Cafe offers a friendly welcome to all for six mornings a week, and the Peter Pan Pre-School provides OFSTED approved education and care for 2-5 year olds. We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Finance and Reserves**

Our main source of unrestricted income is the regular and committed giving by members and friends. The largest item of expenditure is the assessment paid to the Winchester, Eastleigh and Romsey Methodist Circuit. A significant amount of the circuit assessment is used to pay the stipends and related costs to Ministers, and the upkeep of their manses.

The unrestricted funds income (including designated funds) for the year was £231,269 (2023: £240,101). There was a deficit on general funds of £8,640 (2023: deficit of £4,097), after

transferring 10% of regular membership giving to the Benevolence Fund which is used for donating to other charitable causes near and far, including Methodist charities.

The trustees are satisfied that the level of reserves is sufficient to enable the church to continue to meet its charitable objects. After excluding £2.5million which is the valuation of the church premises on the balance sheet, unrestricted reserves at 31 August 2024 were £164,474 (2023: £153,382). This includes a designated Development Fund of £33,700 (2023: £18,244) for major repairs and costs relating to the church premises, and General Funds of £98,528 (2023: £107,167).

Our reserves policy is to maintain at least 3 months' worth of general expenditure (approx. £65k) in our General Fund and 0.5% of the insurance value of our premises (approx. £33.7k) in our Development Fund. Fund movements and balances are set out in note 17 to the accounts and are in line with the reserves policy.

We are forecasting a small financial deficit for 2024/25. This will be met from existing reserves, as a result of which the trustees are confident there are no significant uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Chris Goodhead FCA acted as the treasurer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner: Warner Wilde Ltd, 4 Marigold Drive, Bisley, Surrey GU24 9SF

Investment Bankers: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church  
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

  
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Revd Ruth Fry

Date: 2 June 2025.....

**Trustees who served during the year and to date:**

Revd. Ruth Fry	Rachael Hunt (to Aug. 2024)
Revd. Peter Rayson	Keith Cole
Revd. Kate Cambridge	Anne-Marie Jenkins (to Aug. 2024)
Revd. Bryan Coates (from Oct. 2024)	John Evans (to Sep. 2024)
Jane Merryman	Barbara Lowe
Anne Heath	Ken Richardson (to Sep.2024)
Derek Lowe	Jenny Heal
Chris Goodhead	Tim Padley
Mark Downer (to Aug. 2024)	Alice Wrighton (to Feb. 2024)
David Wrighton	Eleanor Carter (to Sep.2024)
Barbara Ackroyd	David Jenkins (to Aug. 2024)
Susan Gulliver	Hilary Singer
Jane Padley	Brenda Syratt
Diane Pugh	Martin Waldron (from Feb. 2024)
Tony Hill	Alison Fenwick (from Aug. 2024)
Sara Goodhead	Julie Pearce (from Sep. 2024)
Ruth Johnson	Sandy Coates (from Feb. 2025)
Michael Waterson	

Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2024**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023-24 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	147,815			147,815
2 Gift day appeal					0
3 Donations and legacies	5	23,990		170,006	193,996
3a Grants	17			15,000	15,000
4 Investment income	6	2,237			2,237
5 Property income	7	55,686			55,686
6 Internal organisations	17			159,595	159,595
7 Other charitable income	8	1,541			1,541
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>231,269</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>344,601</b>	<b>575,870</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		131,284			131,284
10 Grants and donations			14,750	2,974	17,724
11 Property maintenance		8,720			8,720
12 Insurance, utilities etc		39,274			39,274
13 Depreciation			5,000		5,000
14 Staff costs	11	60,964		15,000	75,964
15 Other expenditure		9,104	756	12,111	21,971
16 Internal organisations				136,542	136,542
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>249,346</b>	<b>20,506</b>	<b>166,627</b>	<b>436,479</b>
18 Losses on monetary investments	13	4,121			4,121
19 Gain/(loss) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-13,956</b>	<b>-20,506</b>	<b>177,974</b>	<b>143,512</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	5,316	40,238	-45,554	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-8,640</b>	<b>19,732</b>	<b>132,420</b>	<b>143,512</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		107,167	2,546,215	70,315	2,723,697
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>98,527</b>	<b>2,565,947</b>	<b>202,735</b>	<b>2,867,209</b>

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**  
**Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024**

Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Totals this year 2024	Totals last year 2023
£		£	£	£

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

**Notes**

Land & Buildings	12		2,500,000		2,500,000	2,500,000
Equipment	12		30,000	1,580	31,580	38,160
Investment properties						
Investments	13	(115)	33,700		33,585	52,060
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		(115)	2,563,700	1,580	2,565,165	2,590,220

**Current Assets**

Debtors and Prepayments	14	51,769			51,769	40,378
Cash at Bank and in hand	14	59,780	2,247	201,155	263,182	140,741
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits						
Central Finance Board Deposits						
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>		111,549	2,247	201,155	314,951	181,119

<b>Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)</b>	15	12,907			12,907	47,642
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<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>		98,642	2,247	201,155	302,044	133,477
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		98,527	2,565,947	202,735	2,867,209	2,723,697
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<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>						
Provisions for liabilities and charges						

<b>Net assets</b>		98,527	2,565,947	202,735	2,867,209	2,723,697
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<b>Funds of the Church</b>	17					
Unrestricted funds		98,527	2,565,947		2,664,474	2,653,382
Restricted funds				202,735	202,735	70,315
Endowment funds					-	
<b>Total Funds</b>	17	98,527	2,565,947	202,735	2,867,209	2,723,697

Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**SOFA for the year ended 31 August 2023 (previous year)**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022-23 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	151,986			151,986
2 Gift day appeal		18,307			18,307
3 Donations and legacies	5	14,594		7,760	22,354
3a Grants including furlough				33,240	33,240
4 Investment income	6	1,749			1,749
5 Property income	7	50,583			50,583
6 Internal organisations				129,189	129,189
7 Other charitable income	8	2,882			2,882
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>240,101</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>170,189</b>	<b>410,290</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		129,264			129,264
10 Grants and donations			14,750	2,951	17,701
11 Property maintenance		8,506			8,506
12 Insurance, utilities etc		44,384		5,000	49,384
13 Depreciation		480	5,020		5,500
14 Staff costs	11	51,891		15,000	66,891
15 Other expenditure		6,954	15,382	685	23,021
16 Internal organisations				104,530	104,530
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>241,479</b>	<b>35,152</b>	<b>128,166</b>	<b>404,797</b>
18 Gains on monetary investments	13	-2,309			-2,309
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-3,687</b>	<b>-35,152</b>	<b>42,023</b>	<b>3,184</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	-410	37,757	-37,347	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-4,097</b>	<b>2,605</b>	<b>4,676</b>	<b>3,184</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		111,264	2,543,610	65,639	2,720,513
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>107,167</b>	<b>2,546,215</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>2,723,697</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

### 1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (effective from 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

### 2. Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There are also Designated funds which have been earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes within Unrestricted funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in note 17. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

### 3. Accounting policies

#### Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

#### Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to it, the trustees judge it probable that they will receive it, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable.

#### Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment.

#### VAT

Since the Church is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

#### Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000. The freehold property is shown at deemed historical cost. Other fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over periods as set out in note 12. Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Investment Properties

Investment properties - no property is currently deemed to not be held for the long term purposes of the charity.

#### Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

#### Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors include Gift Aid not yet received in respect of donations up to the balance sheet date, and prepayments such as Circuit Assessment paid for subsequent periods.

#### Creditors

Creditors include outstanding loan balances from church members which are repayable on demand and interest free.

#### Pension

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Costs are allocated to the Statement of Financial Activities when incurred.

#### Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the charity is a going concern.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

4. Offerings including Gift Aid	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	Total	Total
Standing Orders	93,844		93,844	96,266
Collections and regular giving	25,071		25,071	20,720
Tax credits	28,900		28,900	35,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>147,815</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>147,815</b>	<b>151,986</b>

5. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	Total	Total
Donations	20,990	170,006	190,996	12,354
Legacies	3,000	-	3,000	10,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>23,990</b>	<b>170,006</b>	<b>193,996</b>	<b>22,354</b>

2023 included £7,760 of Restricted Donations.

6. Investment income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	Total	Total
Central Finance Board	1,828		1,828	1,541
Other	409		409	208
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,237</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,237</b>	<b>1,749</b>

7. Property income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	Total	Total
Lettings	53,244		53,244	48,102
Electricity generation	2,442		2,442	2,481
<b>Total</b>	<b>55,686</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>55,686</b>	<b>50,583</b>

8. Other income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2024	2023
	£	£	Total	Total
Fundraising events	934		934	2,747
Donations for other charities	-	-	-	-
Other	607		607	135
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,541</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,541</b>	<b>2,882</b>

Unless otherwise stated all amounts included for 2023 in notes 4-8 above were Unrestricted.

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**9. Payment to Trustees**

	2024	2023
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£ 12,855	20,206
Number of trustees who were paid expenses		
Nature of the expenses:		
Total amount paid	£ nil	nil

**10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£ 1,140	1,080
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£	

**11. Paid employees**

**Staff Costs paid during the year were:**

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 171,083	143,382
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 4,399	6,916
Pension costs	£ 2,494	1,928
Total staff costs	£ 177,976	152,226
<b>Average number of staff employed during the year were:</b>	16	14

The above totals include £102,012 (2023: £85,335) staff costs and 12 (2022: 11) staff relating to Peter Pan Pre-School which is classified as a church internal organisation.

No employees received emoluments over £60,000 during the current or prior year.

**Volunteers**

In accordance with FRS102, the value of volunteer time is not recognised in the accounts. However it is acknowledged that the church benefits greatly from all the work done by its many volunteers, enriching and expanding so many areas of our worship, service and mission. This includes the members of Church Council (trustees) who kindly provide time free of charge to oversee the church's operations and ensure compliance with our many obligations.

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**12. Tangible Fixed Assets**

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Coffee machine (restricted) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Solar Panels £	Church display screens £	Total £
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	2,500,000	4,740	16,993	56,520	24,541	2,602,794
Additions						
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers * (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	2,500,000	4,740	16,993	56,520	24,541	2,602,794

**Accumulated depreciation**

Balance brought forward		1,580	16,993	21,520	24,541	64,634
Depreciation charge for year (-)		1,580		5,000		6,580
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers* (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>		3,160	16,993	26,520	24,541	71,214

**Net book value**

Brought forward 2023	2,500,000	3,160	-	35,000	-	2,538,160
Carried forward 2024	2,500,000	1,580	-	30,000	-	2,531,580

Depreciation (straight line):                      nil                      3 years                      2-4 years                      8 years                      3 years

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### 13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

#### Analysis of investment movements

**2024**

**2023**

#### Change in investment values

	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	52,060	54,369
<b>Add:</b> additions to investments at cost		
<b>Less:</b> disposals at carrying value	- 22,596	
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	4,121	- 2,309
Carrying (market) value at end of year	33,585	52,060

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**14. Analysis of current assets**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>		
Pre paid assessments	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	2,524	5,336
Other debtors	49,245	35,042
<b>Total debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>51,769</b>	<b>40,378</b>

**Analysis of cash at bank**

Lloyds Bank	142,682	39,379
Cash floats	400	400
CAF Bank & Chapel Fund	68,451	32,855
TMCP		10,093
Bank balances held by internal organisations	51,648	58,566
<b>Total Cash and Bank</b>	<b>263,181</b>	<b>141,293</b>

**15. Analysis of current liabilities**

PAYE	2,845	1,858
Accruals and other creditors	10,062	25,784
Loans		20,000
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>12,907</b>	<b>47,642</b>

**16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

At the 31st August 2024 the Church has no capital commitments (likewise for 2023).

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2024 (likewise for 2023).

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**17. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements**

**Unrestricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General fund	107,167	231,269	-249,346	5,317	4,121	98,528
Development fund	18,244			15,456		33,700
Benevolence fund	792		-14,750	14,782		824
Young People's Work	2,179		-756			1,423
Solar Panels	25,000		-5,000	10,000		30,000
Church building	2,500,000					2,500,000
Totals	2,653,382	231,269	-269,852	45,555	4,121	2,664,475

**Restricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Internal organisations:						
Peter Pan Pre-school	52,068	119,980	-121,160	-6,468		44,420
Dovetail Café	3,987	32,473	-11,041	-21,000		4,419
Women's Fellowship	3,829	4,507	-2,850	-2,000		3,486
Others	1,290	2,635	-1,491	-1,531		903
Internal organisations total	61,174	159,595	-136,542	-30,999		53,228
Winchester Eastleigh & Romsey Methodist Circuit grants: staff & utilities		5,000	-5,000			
Southampton Methodist District grants: youthwork & solar panels		10,000	-10,000			
30 Years On	3,750	166,845	-10,283	-14,556		145,756
Legacy November 2017	4,043		-1,828			2,215
Other grants	1,348	3,161	-2,973			1,536
Totals	70,315	344,601	-166,626	-45,555		202,735

**Fund purposes**

**Development Fund:** in case of major unplanned premises costs, set at 0.5% of buildings insurance value.

Transfer includes up-front costs for 30 Years On development project paid in prior year.

**Benevolence Fund:** for giving to other charitable causes, funded by 10% of regular offerings income

**Young People's Work:** funds earmarked for mission amongst children and young people

**Solar panels fund:** book value of 2023 array minus attributed loans (loans repaid this year).

**Internal organisations:** funds held by groups reporting to Church Council

Dovetail Café balance includes coffee machine book value of £1,580.

**Legacy November 2017:** received for specified use: local aid, youth/children's work & training

**Other grants:** funds collected on behalf of other organisations

**Transfers between funds**

A net total of £30,999 was received into general funds from internal organisations to recognise use of premises etc

**18. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions for 2024 or 2023. There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business or given with conditions.

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## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

2 June 2025

Name of Treasurer

Chris Goodhead

Address

13 Merdon Avenue, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants, SO53 1EH

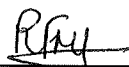
### Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were presented to the Church Council at its meeting on

12-Feb-25

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Ruth Fry

Date

2/6/2025

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Chandler's Ford Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2024

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary 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.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

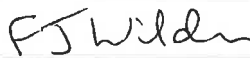
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

Frances Wilde

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FCCA

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Warner Wilde Limited

Address

4 Marigold Drive, Bisley, Surrey, GU24 9SF

Date

4 June 2025

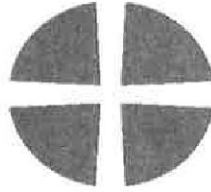
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England & Wales - Charity number 1127449

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# Accounts

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**Church  
Accruals Accounts  
2022-2023**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH  
TEMPLATE REPORT AND ACCOUNTS  
(ACCRUALS BASIS)  
for the year ended 31 August 2023**

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

Registered Charity - Registration number **1127449**

Winchester, Eastleigh & Romsey      **Circuit No**      **26/2**

**Ministers**      Rev Ruth Fry

**Church Stewards**      Barbara Ackroyd  
Diane Pugh  
Barbara Lowe

**Church Treasurer**      Chris Goodhead

# **Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

## **Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2023**

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church is a registered charity, number 1127449

Address: Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 2GJ

Minister and Chair of Trustees: Rev. Ruth Fry

The church has a total membership of 238 in November 2023 (November 2022: 249), of which 30 served as trustees during the year. We take our place within the Winchester Eastleigh & Romsey Circuit and the Southampton District as part of the national Methodist Church.

### **Vision:**

*'Making more faithful followers of Jesus.'*

### **Mission Statement:**

Our purpose is to worship God and, helped by the Holy Spirit, to love each other, to care for those in need and to share the love of Jesus with those in the community around us.

### **The Methodist Church**

We are part of the wider Methodist Church, a Christian denomination. The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission.

### **Church priorities**

In September 2020 we agreed on four church priorities, which are ongoing:  
Worship, Learning, Caring and Service.

***Worship*** which nurtures people in different stages of life

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church continues to offer worship which nurtures people of all ages and stages of faith, and which embraces a variety of worship styles.

As a church we worship God each Sunday, both morning (every week) and evening (monthly) and during a Thursday midweek service. The Sunday 11 am morning service and the Thursday 10.30 am morning service continue to be available in hybrid form (both in person and online). These services are led by Ministers and Local Preachers from the Circuit with church members and adherents as well as authorised worship leaders contributing prayers, readings, and music.

The 'Breakfast Church' service which meets at 9.30 am on the first Sunday of each month goes from strength to strength. This is a service in which those who come along share breakfast together followed by an informal, creative, and contemporary style act of worship. It is popular

with people of all ages but particularly with families, children, and young people. Our children, young people and families Pastor plans and leads these with a team of volunteers.

The weekly 'service at home' sheet has continued to be provided and is very much appreciated by those who would otherwise be unable to participate in an act of worship. The minister, supported by our supernumerary ministers, has conducted funerals and there have also been several baptisms.

We have recently introduced a new style of service once a month at 11 am on a Sunday with the emphasis on informal, contemporary style intergenerational worship. These services are being based around the 12 Methodist Way of Life commitments and are led by our Minister and our children, young people, and families Pastor. In addition to this in December 2023 there were weekly evening meditations throughout Advent.

**Learning** which equips us as disciples to share God's love and our faith in the church and the world.

Following the completion of Holy Habits in early 2023, the new learning programme for our church is called 'I believe ...' and is based on statements from the Apostles' Creed. The aim is to provide opportunities for members of the worshipping community to reflect upon the fundamentals of the Christian faith and learn how to best share these reflections with others, including non-Christians. This is an occasional series which began with 'I believe in ... God, the Father almighty' in October 2023 and has been followed by 'I believe in ... Jesus Christ, God's only Son' in January 2024 and 'I believe in ... the Holy Spirit' in April 2024. As well as a Personal Bible Study, there is a Group Bible Study that explores each theme in greater depth for use by House Groups.

During Autumn 2023, our own minister, Ruth, in conjunction with another minister from the circuit ran an 8-week course entitled Compass on Tuesday evenings. This explored what it means to know Jesus more deeply and was equally suitable for those simply wishing to find out more, new Christians and lifelong followers of Jesus alike.

Various Fellowship and House Groups continue to meet on a regular basis. Each is responsible for its own programme, but typically this includes a combination of outside speakers, bible study (including the 'I believe ...' series) and topical discussion.

**Caring** which deepens our fellowship and enables us to be an inclusive community.

Pastoral Care is shared between our minister, a lay employee, and pastoral visitors (who are volunteers drawn from the church membership). There is an annual Pastoral Visitors' Rededication Service which this year took place in July and a Remembering Service which is held on a Sunday close to All Saints' Day (November 1<sup>st</sup>).

Pastoral visitors meet together three times a year to discuss common issues and receive training. Over the past year this has included a meeting in which we explored Equality, Diversity and Inclusion (EDI) in the context of the pastoral visitor role, and another meeting in which we hosted a speaker from an organisation called Survivors of Bereavement by Suicide (SOBs). She shared her personal experience following the death of her daughter as well as offering advice and signposting us to resources to help anyone who may find themselves caring for others affected by a similar tragedy.

**Service** through which we share our faith by serving the local community and the wider world.

The service action team coordinates our support for people suffering from injustice both locally and globally. Locally we support the work of Eastleigh Basics Bank, coordinating regular donations and volunteers, and also support local community organisation SCRATCH in its Christmas toy appeals. Our Dovetail Café continues to provide a meeting place for individuals and groups within the community and has continued to grow in popularity as a place where a warm welcome can be found. More Globally we support and promote the work of 'All We Can' and Christian Aid and coordinate responses to Emergency appeals when these arise.

Our community larder continues to provide an open access store outside the church which members of the local community can access anonymously according to their need. This is stocked by donations from local stores and from the church and community. This year we have expanded the collections from local supermarkets and through networking in the community a couple of new volunteers have joined the rota of those making the collections. The larder is much used as has received appreciative comments on local social media. We hope our service in the community will be enhanced through the work of the new Community Chaplain.

### ***Work with children, families, and young people***

Our children, young people and families' Pastor, Ellie Carter (now Purkiss – congratulations Ellie!) continues to provide leadership in this area of our work as a church. She is line managed by our Minister. Activities during the year included the following:

**DoveTots** Our stay and play group for preschool aged children and their carers had another great year. We regularly have 15 – 20 children and their carers attending with more families joining each week. There is a lovely busy feel to every session.

**WLTD** Who Let the Dads Out? had a successful year. A small number of families regularly attended and there has been a positive response to the group.

**Breakfast Church** Breakfast Church continues to prove popular with families.

**Activity Packs** The activity packs continue to be our Sunday morning provision for children. The packs include a Bible story, reflection on the story with application, a craft, activity pages and a colouring page. These are always well received and have proved to be a positive way to provide

an input for children within the main service which works well for many families. We are constantly reviewing our Sunday morning children's provision and we will make changes accordingly.

**Hand in Hand Puppets** This group continues to meet regularly and produced a show at Christmas for children and their families which was well attended and very much appreciated.

Throughout the year several key one-off events were well received by the many families who attended. The Christingle service was a particular highlight again this year.

In addition, **Peter Pan Pre-School** is a semi-autonomous facility offered by the church and run by qualified staff. This provides OFSTED approved education and care for 2-5 year olds, on weekdays during term time.

### ***Resources***

The year under review saw a full return to a sense of 'normality' regarding the use of our wonderful suite of premises, both church-related and external users.

Our paid staff team play a vital role in maintaining the church as a widely appreciated community centre at the heart of Chandler's Ford. Katrina Neale our Church Centre Manager, has overseen a marked increase in lettings and helps maintain good relations with a wide variety of community groups operating in the fields of health and welfare, fitness, education, art, music, etc. Our Property Manager Shaun Fletcher retired in December 2023 after many years of good stewardship of the premises and we have welcomed Glenn Stephens as his replacement. Keith Cole continued to serve with boundless enthusiasm as our caretaker during the period.

None of this happens of course without the support of a large number of volunteers. This is exemplified in the Dovetail Café which is open six mornings a week and run entirely by volunteers. Our overall aim is to ensure that we make the most of the wonderful facilities we have, offering support and hospitality to all, at a fair cost.

In March 2023 we installed a new array of solar panels on our extensive roof (adding to the existing panels installed ten years ago) together with appropriate batteries and control systems. This was partly to reduce the impact of dramatically increased light and heat costs, and partly to reduce our carbon footprint. It forms the first phase of our much larger 30 Years On project which was launched in the year under review. 30 Years On encapsulates the vision, conscious that the church layout was dramatically changed 30 years ago with the building of the Dovetail Centre and various elements, including heating, need overhaul – but more importantly it focusses on the future and making the premises fit for purpose for the next generation, including accessibility as well as environmental improvements.

The fundraising aspect of 30 Years On was formally launched in October 2023, and the church family and wider community is rising to this significant challenge. At the same time work is going

on to explore the possibilities of grant funding both from Methodist sources and other grant making trusts. Experienced church design and planning consultants have been engaged and the next phases of work are in the pipeline for the second half of 2024.

Alice Wrighton served in the important post of Resources Chair before standing down in late 2023. Alice brought tremendous professionalism, energy and insight to the role, and we thank her for her invaluable contribution to the life of the church.

### ***Communication***

The church continues to publish a monthly magazine "The Link" that updates the church family on activities, services and upcoming events. As part of our Eco policy, we have greatly reduced the printed copies as we look to use the digital copy (via the website) more frequently. We also send weekly emails to the majority of our congregation which gives links to the weekly notices and the Zoom login for the upcoming services. A few members of our congregations also receive this in printed form.

We continue to update our website ahead of a complete new look, and this remains an important part of communicating with our congregations. In addition we now have a specific website for the Youth and Children's work that we undertake. Use of Social Media remains important with our 4 Facebook pages all serving a specific part of our church family. We have a smaller presence on both Twitter and Instagram.

### **Oversight and Governance**

The trustees are members of the Church Council. Members' representatives and Church Stewards are elected at the Annual Church Meeting. A number of committees take responsibility for specific areas of church life and report to the Church Council. There are currently 3 Action Teams focusing on Worship, Learning and Caring, and Service, plus a Resources Committee which oversees the management of staff, property and finance. The Church Council meets quarterly, to review the mission of the church and to discharge its duties as trustees.

The Church Council maintains the highest possible standards in safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. It continues to monitor safeguarding risks, as well as other risks relating to finance and operations (including use of the church premises) and to manage them in as effective a way as possible.

During the year, the leadership team has also continued to meet regularly, in person again at last. From September 2022 our minister has been Revd Ruth Fry, ably assisted by Susan Gulliver and Jane Padley as Pastoral Assistants. Susan Gulliver retired as a pastoral assistant in March 2023 having faithfully served in the role for many years and Jane Padley's hours were increased to compensate for this.

## **Fulfilling aims and Public Benefit**

The church mission statement is achieved through a wide variety of worship services, fellowship meetings, group activities, learning opportunities, and the presence of the church and its members in the local community. More details can be found on the church website [www.cfmetho dist.church](http://www.cfmetho dist.church) By way of examples, the Dovetail Centre Cafe offers a friendly welcome to all for six mornings a week, and the Peter Pan Pre-School provides OFSTED approved education and care for 2-5 year olds. We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

## **Finance and Reserves**

Our main source of unrestricted income is the regular and committed giving by members and friends. The largest item of expenditure is the assessment paid to the Winchester, Eastleigh and Romsey Methodist Circuit. A significant amount of the circuit assessment is used to pay the stipends and related costs to Ministers, and the upkeep of their manses.

The unrestricted funds income (including designated funds) for the year was £240,101 (2022: £233,420). There was a deficit on general funds of £4,097 (2022: surplus of £1,938), after transferring 10% of regular membership giving to the Benevolence Fund which is used for donating to other charitable causes. Income for the year includes £18,307 (2022: £24,246) from a gift day.

The trustees are satisfied that the level of reserves is sufficient to enable the church to continue to meet its charitable objects. After excluding £2.5million which is the valuation of the church premises on the balance sheet, unrestricted reserves at 31 August 2023 were £153,382 (2022: £154,874). This includes a designated Development Fund of £18,244 (2022: £29,800) for major repairs and costs relating to the church premises, and General Funds of £107,167 (2022: £111,264).

Our reserves policy is to maintain at least 3 months' worth of general expenditure (approx. £65k) in our General Fund and 0.5% of the insurance value of our premises (approx. £32.8k) in our Development Fund. Fund movements and balances are set out in note 17 to the accounts and are in line with the reserves policy.

In-person church activities and usage of our premises has recovered to something like pre-pandemic levels. However with vastly increased utility costs and further investment in staff, we are forecasting a financial loss for 2023/24. This will be met from existing reserves, as a result of which the trustees are confident there are no significant uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Chris Goodhead FCA acted as the treasurer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner: Warner Wilde Ltd, 4 Marigold Drive, Bisley, Surrey GU24 9SF

Investment Bankers: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church  
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2019) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

.....  
Revd Ruth Fry

Date: 19-5-24 .....

**Trustees who served during the year and to date:**

Rev. Ruth Fry

Rev. Peter Rayson

Rev. Kate Cambridge (from Sep. 2023)

Jane Merryman

Anne Heath

Derek Lowe

Chris Goodhead

Mark Downer

David Wrighton

Barbara Ackroyd

Susan Gulliver

Jane Padley

Diane Pugh

Tony Hill

Sara Goodhead

Ruth Johnson

Michael Waterson

Rachael Hunt

Martin Napier (to May 2023)

Keith Cole

Anne-Marie Jenkins

John Evans

Barbara Lowe

Ken Richardson

Jenny Heal

Tim Padley

Alice Wrighton (to Feb. 2024)

Eleanor Carter

David Jenkins

Hilary Singer

Brenda Syrratt

Martin Waldron (from Feb. 2024)

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2023**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2022-23 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	151,986			151,986
2 Gift day appeal		18,307			18,307
3 Donations and legacies	5	14,594		7,760	22,354
3a Grants including furlough	17			33,240	33,240
4 Investment income	6	1,749			1,749
5 Property income	7	50,583			50,583
6 Internal organisations	17			129,189	129,189
7 Other charitable income	8	2,882			2,882
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>240,101</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>170,189</b>	<b>410,290</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		129,264			129,264
10 Grants and donations			14,750	2,951	17,701
11 Property maintenance		8,506			8,506
12 Insurance, utilities etc		44,384		5,000	49,384
13 Depreciation		480	5,020		5,500
14 Staff costs	11	51,891		15,000	66,891
15 Other expenditure		6,954	15,382	685	23,021
16 Internal organisations				104,530	104,530
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>241,479</b>	<b>35,152</b>	<b>128,166</b>	<b>404,797</b>
18 Losses on monetary investments	13	-2,309			-2,309
19 Gain/(loss) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-3,687</b>	<b>-35,152</b>	<b>42,023</b>	<b>3,184</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	-410	37,757	-37,347	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-4,097</b>	<b>2,605</b>	<b>4,676</b>	<b>3,184</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		111,264	2,543,610	65,639	2,720,513
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>107,167</b>	<b>2,546,215</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>2,723,697</b>

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Totals this year 2023	Totals last year 2022
£		£	£	£

Tangible Fixed Assets

Notes

Land & Buildings	12		2,500,000		2,500,000	2,500,000
Equipment	12		35,000	3,160	38,160	480
Investment properties						
Investments	13	33,816	18,244		52,060	54,369
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>33,816</b>	<b>2,553,244</b>	<b>3,160</b>	<b>2,590,220</b>	<b>2,554,849</b>

Current Assets

Debtors and Prepayments	14	40,378			40,378	32,841
Cash at Bank and in hand	14	70,615	2,971	67,155	140,741	156,138
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits						
Central Finance Board Deposits						
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>110,993</b>	<b>2,971</b>	<b>67,155</b>	<b>181,119</b>	<b>188,979</b>

<b>Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)</b>	15	37,642	10,000		47,642	23,315
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<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>		<b>73,351</b>	<b>(7,029)</b>	<b>67,155</b>	<b>133,477</b>	<b>165,664</b>
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>107,167</b>	<b>2,546,215</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>2,723,697</b>	<b>2,720,513</b>
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<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>						
Provisions for liabilities and charges						

<b>Net assets</b>		<b>107,167</b>	<b>2,546,215</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>2,723,697</b>	<b>2,720,513</b>
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<b>Funds of the Church</b>	17					
Unrestricted funds		107,167	2,546,215		2,653,382	2,654,874
Restricted funds				70,315	70,315	65,639
Endowment funds					-	
<b>Total Funds</b>	17	<b>107,167</b>	<b>2,546,215</b>	<b>70,315</b>	<b>2,723,697</b>	<b>2,720,513</b>

**SOFA for the year ended 31 August 2022 (previous year)**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2021-22 £
<b>Income</b>					
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2 Gift day appeal		24,246			24,246
3 Donations and legacies	5	14,321		3,153	17,474
3a Grants including furlough		873		5,200	6,073
4 Investment income	6	1,666			1,666
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6 Internal organisations				105,400	105,400
7 Other charitable income	8	2,176			2,176
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>233,420</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>113,753</b>	<b>347,173</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		129,264			129,264
10 Grants and donations			15,050	3,009	18,059
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13 Depreciation		1,123			1,123
14 Staff costs	11	46,591		5,200	51,791
15 Other expenditure		5,832	1,014	60	6,906
16 Internal organisations				95,679	95,679
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>218,174</b>	<b>16,064</b>	<b>103,948</b>	<b>338,186</b>
18 Gains on monetary investments	13	-3,645			-3,645
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>11,601</b>	<b>-16,064</b>	<b>9,805</b>	<b>5,342</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	-9,663	30,481	-20,818	0
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## Notes to the Accounts

### 1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (effective from 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

### 2. Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There are also Designated funds which have been earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes within Unrestricted funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in note 17. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

### 3. Accounting policies

#### Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

#### Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to it, the trustees judge it probable that they will receive it, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable.

#### Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment.

#### VAT

Since the Church is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

#### Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000. The freehold property is shown at deemed historical cost. Other fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over periods as set out in note 12. Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Investment Properties

Investment properties - no property is currently deemed to not be held for the long term purposes of the charity.

#### Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

#### Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors include Gift Aid not yet received in respect of donations up to the balance sheet date, and prepayments such as Circuit Assessment paid for subsequent periods.

#### Creditors

Creditors include outstanding loan balances from church members which are repayable on demand and interest free.

#### Pension

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Costs are allocated to the Statement of Financial Activities when incurred.

#### Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the charity is a going concern.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

4. Offerings including Gift Aid	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Standing Orders	96,266		96,266	99,477
Collections and regular giving	20,720		20,720	22,190
Tax credits	35,000		35,000	30,038
<b>Total</b>	<b>151,986</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>151,986</b>	<b>151,705</b>

5. Donations and legacies	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Donations	4,594	7,760	12,354	4,974
Legacies	10,000	-	10,000	12,500
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,594</b>	<b>7,760</b>	<b>22,354</b>	<b>17,474</b>

2022 included £3,153 of Restricted Donations.

6. Investment income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Central Finance Board	1,541		1,541	1,243
Other	208		208	423
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,749</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,749</b>	<b>1,666</b>

7. Property income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Lettings	48,102		48,102	35,208
Electricity generation	2,481		2,481	3,225
<b>Total</b>	<b>50,583</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>50,583</b>	<b>38,433</b>

8. Other income	Unrestricted	Restricted	2023 Total	2022 Total
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising events	2,747		2,747	1,924
Donations for other charities	-	-	-	-
Other	135		135	252
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,882</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,882</b>	<b>2,176</b>

Unless otherwise stated all amounts included for 2022 in notes 4-8 above were Unrestricted.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**9. Payment to Trustees**

	2023	2022
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£ 20,206	18,395
Number of trustees who were paid expenses		
Nature of the expenses:		
Total amount paid	£ nil	nil

**10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£ 1,080	650
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£	

**11. Paid employees**

**Staff Costs paid during the year were:**

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 143,382	126,699
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 6,916	4,824
Pension costs	£ 1,928	1,378
Total staff costs	£ 152,226	132,901
<b>Average number of staff employed during the year were:</b>	15	14

The above totals include £85,335 (2022: £81,110) staff costs and 11 (2022: 10) staff relating to Peter Pan Pre-School which is classified as a church internal organisation.

No employees received emoluments over £60,000 during the current or prior year.

**Volunteers**

In accordance with FRS102, the value of volunteer time is not recognised in the accounts. However it is acknowledged that the church benefits greatly from all the work done by its many volunteers, enriching and expanding so many areas of our worship, service and mission. This includes the members of Church Council (trustees) who kindly provide time free of charge to oversee the church's operations and ensure compliance with our many obligations.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**12. Tangible Fixed Assets**

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Coffee machine (restricted) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Solar Panels £	Church display screens £	Total £
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	2,500,000		16,993	16,500	24,541	2,558,034
Additions		4,740		40,020		44,760
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers * (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	2,500,000	4,740	16,993	56,520	24,541	2,602,794

**Accumulated depreciation**

Balance brought forward			16,513	16,500	24,541	57,554
Depreciation charge for year (-)		1,580	480	5,020		7,080
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers* (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>		1,580	16,993	21,520	24,541	64,634

**Net book value**

Brought forward 2022	2,500,000	-	480	-	-	2,500,480
Carried forward 2023	2,500,000	3,160	-	35,000	-	2,538,160

Depreciation (straight line):                      nil                      3 years                      2-4 years                      8 years                      3 years

<b>Chandler's Ford Methodist Church</b>
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### 13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

#### Analysis of investment movements

	2023	2022
	£	£
<b>Change in investment values</b>		
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	54,369	58,014
<b>Add:</b> additions to investments at cost		
<b>Less:</b> disposals at carrying value		
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	- 2,309	- 3,645
Carrying (market) value at end of year	52,060	54,369

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**14. Analysis of current assets**

	<b>2023</b>	<b>2022</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>		
Pre paid assessments	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	5,336	4,061
Other debtors	35,042	28,780
<b>Total debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>40,378</b>	<b>32,841</b>

**Analysis of cash at bank**

Lloyds Bank	39,379	85,747
Cash floats	400	400
CAF Bank & Chapel Fund	32,855	9,369
TMCP	10,093	
Bank balances held by internal organisations	58,014	60,622
<b>Total Cash and Bank</b>	<b>140,741</b>	<b>156,138</b>

**15. Analysis of current liabilities**

PAYE	1,858	1,115
Accruals and other creditors	25,784	22,200
Loans	20,000	
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>47,642</b>	<b>23,315</b>

**16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

At the 31st August 2023 the Church has no capital commitments (likewise for 2022).

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2023 (likewise for 2022).

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**17. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements**

**Unrestricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General fund	111,264	240,101	-241,479	-410	-2,309	107,167
Development fund	29,800		-14,556	3,000		18,244
Benevolence fund	393		-14,750	15,149		792
Young People's Work	1,417		-826	1,588		2,179
Solar Panels	12,000		-5,020	18,020		25,000
Church building	2,500,000					2,500,000
Totals	2,654,874	240,101	-276,631	37,347	-2,309	2,653,382

**Restricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Internal organisations:						
Peter Pan Pre-school	53,683	95,329	-90,440	-6,504		52,068
Dovetail Café	1,315	27,217	-10,545	-14,000		3,987
Women's Fellowship	2,676	4,520	-2,117	-1,250		3,829
Others	2,948	2,123	-1,428	-2,353		1,290
Internal organisations total	60,622	129,189	-104,530	-24,107		61,174
Winchester Eastleigh & Romsey Methodist Circuit grants: staff & utilities		10,000	-10,000			
Southampton Methodist District grants: youthwork & solar panels		23,240	-10,000	-13,240		
30 Years On		3,750				3,750
Legacy November 2017	4,728		-685			4,043
Other grants	289	4,010	-2,951			1,348
Totals	65,639	170,189	-128,166	-37,347		70,315

**Fund purposes**

**Development Fund:** in case of major unplanned premises costs, set at 0.5% of buildings insurance value.

Expenditure relates to up-front costs for 30 Years On development project.

**Benevolence Fund:** for giving to other charitable causes, funded by 10% of regular offerings income

**Young People's Work:** funds earmarked for mission amongst children and young people

**Solar panels fund:** book value of 2023 array minus attributed loans

**Internal organisations:** funds held by groups reporting to Church Council

Dovetail Café balance includes coffee machine book value of £3,160

**Legacy November 2017:** received for specified use: local aid, youth/children's work & training

**Other grants:** funds collected on behalf of other organisations

**Transfers between funds**

A net total of £24,107 was received into general funds from internal organisations to recognise use of premises etc

**18. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions for 2023 or 2022. There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business or given with conditions.

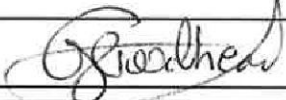
Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

19 May 2024

Name of Treasurer

Chris Goodhead

Address

13 Merdon Avenue, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants, SO53 1EH

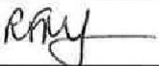
### Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were presented to the Church Council at its meeting on

05-Feb-24

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Ruth Fry

Date

19-5-24

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Chandler's Ford Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2023

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary 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.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

Frances Wilde

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FCCA

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Warner Wilde Limited

Address

4 Marigold Drive, Bisley, Surrey, GU24 9SF

Date

20 May 2024

**CHANDLER'S FORD METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1127449

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# Accounts

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Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2022**

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**Expenditure**

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**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022**

Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Totals this year 2022	Totals last year 2021
£		£	£	£

**Tangible Fixed Assets**

**Notes**

Land & Buildings	12		2,500,000		2,500,000	2,500,000
Equipment	12	480			480	1,603
Investment properties						
Investments	13	24,569	29,800		54,369	58,014
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>25,049</b>	<b>2,529,800</b>		<b>2,554,849</b>	<b>2,559,617</b>

**Current Assets**

Debtors and Prepayments	14	32,841			32,841	56,126
Cash at Bank and in hand	14	76,689	13,810	65,639	156,138	123,433
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits						
Central Finance Board Deposits						
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>109,530</b>	<b>13,810</b>	<b>65,639</b>	<b>188,979</b>	<b>179,559</b>

<b>Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)</b>	15	23,315			23,315	24,005
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<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>		<b>86,215</b>	<b>13,810</b>	<b>65,639</b>	<b>165,664</b>	<b>155,554</b>
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>111,264</b>	<b>2,543,610</b>	<b>65,639</b>	<b>2,720,513</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>
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<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>						
<b>Provisions for liabilities and charges</b>						

<b>Net assets</b>		<b>111,264</b>	<b>2,543,610</b>	<b>65,639</b>	<b>2,720,513</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>
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**Funds of the Church**

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Unrestricted funds		111,264	2,543,610		2,654,874	2,638,519
Restricted funds				65,639	65,639	76,652
Endowment funds					-	
<b>Total Funds</b>	17	<b>111,264</b>	<b>2,543,610</b>	<b>65,639</b>	<b>2,720,513</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>

**SOFA for the year ended 31 August 2021 (previous year)**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020-21 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	150,304			150,304
2 Gift day appeal		24,749			24,749
3 Donations and legacies	5	2,045		810	2,855
3a Grants including furlough		25,861		5,400	31,261
4 Investment income	6	1,022			1,022
5 Property income	7	13,806			13,806
6 Internal organisations				104,309	104,309
7 Other charitable income	8	2,904			2,904
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>220,691</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110,519</b>	<b>331,210</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		130,081			130,081
10 Grants and donations			15,840	2,005	17,845
11 Property maintenance		2,713			2,713
12 Insurance, utilities etc		17,364			17,364
13 Depreciation		3,737			3,737
14 Staff costs	11	47,161		4,700	51,861
15 Other expenditure		3,709	500	306	4,515
16 Internal organisations				92,606	92,606
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>204,765</b>	<b>16,340</b>	<b>99,617</b>	<b>320,722</b>
18 Gains on monetary investments	13	8,998			8,998
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>24,924</b>	<b>-16,340</b>	<b>10,902</b>	<b>19,486</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	-4,093	15,030	-10,937	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>20,831</b>	<b>-1,310</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>19,486</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		88,495	2,530,503	76,687	2,695,685
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>109,326</b>	<b>2,529,193</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

### 1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS 102 (effective from 1 January 2019). The charity has taken advantage of the provisions in the SORP for charities applying FRS102 Update Bulletin 1 not to prepare a Statement of Cash Flows. The financial statements are prepared in sterling, which is the functional currency of the charity. Monetary amounts in these financial statements are rounded to the nearest £.

### 2. Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There are also Designated funds which have been earmarked by the trustees for particular purposes within Unrestricted funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in note 17. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

### 3. Accounting policies

#### Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

#### Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to it, the trustees judge it probable that they will receive it, and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

#### Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable.

#### Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment.

#### VAT

Since the Church is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

#### Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000. The freehold property is shown at deemed historical cost. Other fixed assets are depreciated on a straight line basis over periods as set out in note 12. Tangible fixed assets are initially measured at cost and subsequently measured at cost or valuation, net of depreciation and impairment losses.

#### Investment Properties

Investment properties - no property is currently deemed to not be held for the long term purposes of the charity.

#### Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

#### Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors include Gift Aid not yet received in respect of donations up to the balance sheet date, and prepayments such as Circuit Assessment paid for subsequent periods.

#### Creditors

Creditors include outstanding loan balances from church members which are repayable on demand and interest free.

#### Pension

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Costs are allocated to the Statement of Financial Activities when incurred.

#### Going Concern

The accounts have been prepared on the basis that the charity is a going concern.

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<b>4. Offerings including Gift Aid</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2022 Total</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Standing Orders	99,477		99,477	99,314
Collections and regular giving	22,190		22,190	26,066
Tax credits	30,038		30,038	24,924
<b>Total</b>	<b>151,705</b>	-	<b>151,705</b>	<b>150,304</b>

<b>5. Donations and legacies</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2022 Total</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Donations	1,821	3,153	4,974	2,855
Legacies	12,500	-	12,500	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>14,321</b>	<b>3,153</b>	<b>17,474</b>	<b>2,855</b>

2021 included £810 of Restricted Donations.

<b>6. Investment income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2022 Total</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Central Finance Board	1,243		1,243	805
Other	423		423	217
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,666</b>	-	<b>1,666</b>	<b>1,022</b>

<b>7. Property income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2022 Total</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Lettings	35,208		35,208	11,023
Electricity generation	3,225		3,225	2,783
<b>Total</b>	<b>38,433</b>	-	<b>38,433</b>	<b>13,806</b>

<b>8. Other income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2022 Total</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising events	1,924		1,924	2,353
Donations for other charities	-	-	-	-
Other	252		252	551
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,176</b>	-	<b>2,176</b>	<b>2,904</b>

Unless otherwise stated all amounts included for 2021 in notes 4-8 above were Unrestricted.

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**9. Payment to Trustees**

	2022	2021
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£ 18,395	17,121
Number of trustees who were paid expenses		
Nature of the expenses:		
Total amount paid	£ nil	nil

**10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£ 650	550
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£	

**11. Paid employees**

**Staff Costs paid during the year were:**

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 126,699	130,500
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 4,824	6,000
Pension costs	£ 1,378	2,000
Total staff costs	£ 132,901	138,500
<b>Average number of staff employed during the year were:</b>	14	17

The above totals include £81,110 (2021: £86,639) staff costs and 10 (2021: 11) staff relating to Peter Pan Pre-School which is classified as a church internal organisation.

No employees received emoluments over £60,000 during the current or prior year.

**Volunteers**

In accordance with FRS102, the value of volunteer time is not recognised in the accounts. However it is acknowledged that the church benefits greatly from all the work done by its many volunteers, enriching and expanding so many areas of our worship, service and mission. This includes the members of Church Council (trustees) who kindly provide time free of charge to oversee the church's operations and ensure compliance with our many obligations.

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**12. Tangible Fixed Assets**

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other land and buildings £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Solar Panels £	Church display screens £	Total £
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	2,500,000		16,993	16,500	24,541	2,558,034
Additions						
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers * (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	2,500,000		16,993	16,500	24,541	2,558,034

**Accumulated depreciation**

Balance brought forward			15,390	16,500	24,541	56,431
Depreciation charge for year (-)			1,123			1,123
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers* (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>			16,513	16,500	24,541	57,554

**Net book value**

Brought forward 2021	2,500,000	-	1,603	-	-	2,501,603
Carried forward 2022	2,500,000	-	480	-	-	2,500,480

Depreciation rate/period:                      nil                      2-4 years                      8 years                      3 years

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### 13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

#### Analysis of investment movements

2022                      2021

#### Change in investment values

	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	58,014	49,016
<b>Add:</b> additions to investments at cost		
<b>Less:</b> disposals at carrying value		
<b>Net gain/(loss) on revaluation</b>	- 3,645	8,998
Carrying (market) value at end of year	54,369	58,014

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**14. Analysis of current assets**

	2022	2021
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Pre paid assessments	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	4,061	4,206
Other debtors	28,780	51,920
<b>Total debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>32,841</b>	<b>56,126</b>

**Analysis of cash at bank**

Bank balance held in Lloyds	86,147	26,873
Bank balance held in CAF & Chapel Fund	9,369	24,841
Bank balance held by internal organisations	60,622	71,719
<b>Total Cash and Bank</b>	<b>156,138</b>	<b>123,433</b>

**15. Analysis of current liabilities**

PAYE	1,115	301
Accruals and other creditors	22,200	23,704
Loans		
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>23,315</b>	<b>24,005</b>

**16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

At the 31st August 2022 the Church has no capital commitments (likewise for 2021).

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2022 (likewise for 2021).

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**17. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements**

**Unrestricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General fund	109,326	233,420	-218,174	-9,663	-3,645	111,264
Development fund	26,900			2,900		29,800
Benevolence fund	273		-15,050	15,170		393
Gift Day - Young People's Work	2,020		-1,014	411		1,417
Solar panels fund				12,000		12,000
Church building	2,500,000					2,500,000
Totals	2,638,519	233,420	-234,238	20,818	-3,645	2,654,874

**Restricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Internal organisations:						
Peter Pan Pre-school	66,066	80,487	-87,116	-5,754		53,683
Dovetail Café	745	19,406	-6,086	-12,750		1,315
Women's Fellowship	752	3,708	-1,784			2,676
Drama Group	867			-867		
Others	3,289	1,799	-693	-1,447		2,948
Internal organisations total	71,719	105,400	-95,679	-20,818		60,622
Southampton Methodist District re Youthwork		5,200	-5,200			
Legacy November 2017	4,788		-60			4,728
Other grants	145	3,153	-3,009			289
Totals	76,652	113,753	-103,948	-20,818		65,639

**Fund purposes**

**Development Fund:** in case of major unplanned premises costs, set at 0.5% of buildings insurance value

**Benevolence Fund:** for giving to other charitable causes, funded by 10% of regular offerings income

**Gift Day:** fundraising for mission amongst children and young people; excess to general funds

**Solar panels fund:** 50% of gift day 2022 proceeds, towards new solar panels project in 2023

**Internal organisations:** funds held by groups reporting to Church Council

**Legacy November 2017:** received for specified use: Boys Brigade, local aid, youth/children's work & training

**Other grants:** funds collected on behalf of other organisations

**Transfers between funds**

A net total of £20,407 was received into general funds from internal organisations to recognise use of premises etc

**18. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions for 2022 or 2021. There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business or given with conditions.

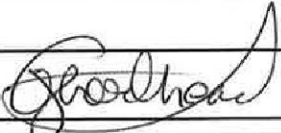
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## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

6 April 2023

Name of Treasurer

Chris Goodhead

Address

13 Merdon Avenue, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants, SO53 1EH


### Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were presented to the Church Council at its meeting on

07-Feb-23

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Ruth Fry

Date

6.4.23

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Chandler's Ford Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2022

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2022 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary 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.

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**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

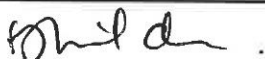
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

Frances Wilde

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FCCA

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Warner Wilde Limited

Address

4 Marigold Drive, Bisley, Surrey, GU24 9SF

Date

20 April 2023



# **Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

## **Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2022**

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church is a registered charity, number 1127449

Address: Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 2GJ

Minister and Chair of Trustees: Rev. Ruth Fry

The church has a total membership of 249 in November 2022 (November 2021: 262), of which 35 served as trustees during the year. We take our place within the Winchester Eastleigh & Romsey Circuit and the Southampton District as part of the national Methodist Church.

### **Vision:**

*'Making more faithful followers of Jesus.'*

### **Mission Statement:**

Our purpose is to worship God and, helped by the Holy Spirit, to love each other, to care for those in need and to share the love of Jesus with those in the community around us.

### **The Methodist Church**

We take our place as part of the wider Methodist Church, a Christian denomination. The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission.

### **Church priorities**

In September 2020 we agreed on four church priorities, which are ongoing:  
Worship, Learning, Caring and Service.

### ***Worship*** which nurtures people in different stages of life

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church has continued to worship God each Sunday, both morning and evening and during a Thursday midweek service. Both the Sunday 11 am morning service and the Thursday 10.30 am morning service continue to be available in hybrid form (both in person and online).

The 'Breakfast Church' service which meets at 9.30 am on the first Sunday of each month goes from strength to strength. This is a service in which those who come along share breakfast together followed by an informal, creative, and contemporary style act of worship. It is popular with people of all ages but particularly with families, children, and young people.

The weekly 'service at home' sheet has continued to be provided and is very much appreciated by those who would otherwise be unable to participate in an act of worship. The minister, supported by our supernumerary ministers, have conducted several funerals.

We have continued to explore the stages of spiritual life in relation to worship, with a focus on the first and second halves of spiritual life. In the first half we build our beliefs and learn how to live our faith in the world. In the second half having experienced the realities of life, we become open to asking questions and move beyond our personal concerns to serve the wider world. We continue to work on the balance of the services we are offering in terms of these stages. Our hope is to be able to increase the number of breakfast church services we can offer as these are the only services with a focus on the first half of spiritual life.

A climate Sunday service was held this year. In addition to this in December 2022 there were weekly meditations throughout Advent. We have also continued to focus on Holy Habits in our worship.

**Learning** which equips us as disciples to share God's love and our faith in the church and the world.

We have now completed our three-year study of Holy Habits, a programme based on Acts 2 v42-47 that is designed to deepen discipleship across a church community. During the period of this report, we have explored the final three (of ten) 'Holy Habits'; 'Breaking Bread' during May and June 2022, 'Eating Together' in Autumn 2022, and 'Making More Disciples' from January to March 2023.

'Breaking Bread' was an opportunity for us to learn more about the theological meaning and significance of Holy Communion to Christians. 'Eating Together' was originally planned to be our third habit back in 2020 but which was postponed because of the pandemic. It was fantastic to be able to eat and share fellowship together at the Harvest Lunch after being unable to do so for so long, and again after a Sunday morning service more recently. These along with our Hospitality Sundays where members of the church community host other members in their own homes are set to continue. We ended our 'Holy Habits' journey with 'Making More Disciples' in which we have been encouraged to become better equipped to 'Share our [Personal Faith] Story' with others and invite them to 'Come and see ... and encounter Jesus for themselves.'

Each habit has been accompanied by resources for use in either a small group setting or for personal study along with dedicated services in which we explore the habit as a congregation. Planning is now underway for a new learning programme to begin in Autumn 2023 which will follow a similar approach including the generation of material for both group and personal study.

Various Fellowship and House Groups continue to meet on a regular basis. Each is responsible for its own programme, but typically this includes a combination of outside speakers, bible study and topical discussion.

**Caring** which deepens our fellowship and enables us to be an inclusive community.

Pastoral Care is shared between ministers, lay employees and pastoral visitors (who are drawn from the church membership). In-person visits have resumed following the restrictions of Covid.

Pastoral visitors meet together three times a year to discuss common issues and receive training.

**Service** through which we share our faith by serving the local community and the wider world.

The service action team coordinates our support for people suffering from injustice both locally and globally. Locally it support the work of Eastleigh Basics Bank, coordinating regular donations and volunteers, and also supporting local community organisation SCRATCH in its Christmas toy appeals. Our Dovetail Café continues to provide a meeting place for individuals and groups within the community. More Globally we support and promote the work of 'All We Can' and Christian Aid and coordinate responses to Emergency appeals when these arise.

During 2022 we oversaw the introduction of a new initiative led by one of the Church housegroups to establish a community larder which takes the form of an open access store outside the church which members of the local community can access anonymously according to their need. This is stocked by donations from local stores and from the church and community. This has been much used as has received appreciative comments on local social media. In addition we have engaged with local Ukraine support group to host a collecting box for much needed items to be sent to those affected by the war in their country. We have continued to engage with the issue of climate change, achieving the Bronze Eco Church award and this links with our property team's ongoing work to reduce our fossil fuel usage.

### ***Work with children, families, and young people***

In September 2021 our part-time youth worker Ellie Carter was appointed. The youth management team met regularly throughout the year to support her and to oversee this area of the work of the church. Activities during the year included the following:

**DoveTots** DoveTots had a great year. We started the academic year with three regular families and by the end of July we were regularly seeing over ten families. We have welcomed over 15 new families throughout the year and we have a really lovely busy feel every session.

**WLTDO** Who Let the Dads Out? Have had a successful year. A small amount of families regularly attended and there has been a positive response to the group. There are some things that can be worked on in order to re-grow this group and these have been identified including a need for more helpers.

**Breakfast Church** Breakfast Church has now been running for a full academic year. Whilst it was not known what to expect, we have been pleasantly surprised by the reception it has received

with numbers continuing to grow including new families. We would love to be able to grow this group, possibly even increasing it to more than once a month. However, this would need a larger team to enable this to happen.

**Activity Packs** The activity packs are our Sunday morning provision for children. The packs include a Bible story, reflection on the story with application, a craft, activity pages and a colouring page. The packs have been well received and have proved a positive way to provide an input for children within the main service which works well for many families. We are constantly reviewing our Sunday morning children's provision and we will make changes accordingly.

**One-Off Events** Throughout the year we were able to hold several events that were very well received by the many families who attended. These were:

- Christmas Craft Morning
- Christingle
- We had planned an Easter Craft Morning which had to be cancelled due to Covid
- Jubilee Celebrations
- Family Film Afternoons
- DoveTots Plus

We were delighted to make Ellie's role full time from September 2022, with support from the Circuit and District, and indeed one day a week is devoted to a wider Circuit role.

### ***Resources***

The year under review saw some significant staffing changes, the lifting of Covid restrictions nationally, and a gradual return to a degree of 'normality', although we remained rightly cautious about risk management in order to ensure ongoing protection for the vulnerable.

In September 2021, Katrina Neale was appointed to the new role of Church Administrator, working across reception, bookings and secretarial support for our ministers and based in the church office every weekday morning. In her voluntary role as Bookings Coordinator, Barbara Lowe also plays a significant part in line managing and working with Katrina and others to ensure the smooth running of the premises especially as this relates to bookings and events.

Thanks to the team's efforts and a return to a new Post-Covid 'normality' we have seen a real upturn in lettings with many of our previous regular community group bookings (including several music groups and self-help groups) coming back as well as one-off concerts and events.

All this, along with the reopening of the Dovetail Cafe (initially Tuesday to Saturday mornings, with Monday now added), means that at last the community 'buzz' is returning and that augurs well for the future of Chandler's Ford Methodist Church as a centre for our local community. The Cafe leaders and their teams have done an amazing job in getting things back up and running in

the Dovetail. Our overall aim is to ensure that we make the most of the wonderful facilities we have, offering support and hospitality to all, at a fair cost.

Since December 2021, costs of both gas and electricity have unfortunately increased dramatically. Lettings charges have been revised to reflect these increased costs, and we embarked on measures to manage energy consumption such as the targeted use of space heaters, use of timers, and minimising switch on times for the more costly gas fired boiler system. These can only be short term measures and work progressing to develop a phased strategy to modernize our heating and energy systems.

A successful Gift Day was held in June 2022 with a focus on Funding the Future. This enabled us to proceed with extending the Youth and Children's Worker role to full time, and to put aside a deposit for the proposed solar panels and battery storage project.

### ***Communication***

The church continues to publish a monthly magazine "The Link" that updates the church family on activities, services and upcoming events. As part of our Eco policy, we have greatly reduced the printed copies as we look to use the digital copy (via the website) more frequently. We also send weekly emails to the majority of our congregation which gives links to the weekly notices and the Zoom login for the upcoming services. A few members of our congregations also receive this in printed form.

Our website is undergoing an overhaul to make it easier to read, but remains an important part of communicating with our congregations. In addition we now have a specific website for the Youth and Children's work that we undertake. Use of Social Media remains important with our 4 Facebook pages all serving a specific part of our church family. We have a smaller presence on both Twitter and Instagram.

### **Oversight and Governance**

The trustees are members of the Church Council. Members' representatives and Church Stewards are elected at the Annual Church Meeting. A number of committees take responsibility for specific areas of church life and report to the Church Council. There are currently 3 Action Teams focusing on Worship, Learning and Caring, and Service, plus a Resources Committee which oversees the management of staff, property and finance. The Church Council meets quarterly, to review the mission of the church and to discharge its duties as trustees.

The Church Council maintains the highest possible standards in safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. It continues to monitor safeguarding risks, as well as other risks relating to finance and operations (including use of the church premises) and to manage them in as effective a way as possible.

During the year, the leadership team has also continued to meet regularly, mostly via Zoom. From September 2021 to August 2022, the ministers were Revd Sue Keegan von Allmen and Revd Ruth Fry, ably assisted by Susan Gulliver and Jane Padley (Pastoral Assistants).

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The unrestricted funds income (including designated funds) for the year was £233,420 (2021: £220,691). There was a surplus on general funds of £1,938 (2021: £20,831), after transferring 10% of regular membership giving to the Benevolence Fund which is used for donating to other charitable causes. Income for the year includes £873 (2021: £25,861) of furlough grants, and £24,246 (2021: £24,749) from a gift day.

The trustees are satisfied that the level of reserves is sufficient to enable the church to continue to meet its charitable objects. After excluding £2.5million which is the valuation of the church premises on the balance sheet, unrestricted reserves at 31 August 2022 were £154,874 (2021: £138,519). This includes a designated Development Fund of £29,800 (2021: £26,900) for major repairs and costs relating to the church premises, and General Funds of £111,264 (2021: £109,326).

Our reserves policy is to maintain at least 3 months' worth of general expenditure (approx. £65k) in our General Fund and 0.5% of the insurance value of our premises (approx. £29.8k) in our Development Fund. Fund movements and balances are set out in note 17 to the accounts and are in line with the reserves policy.

Post year end, in-person church activities and usage of our premises has recovered to something like pre-pandemic levels. However with vastly increased utility costs and further investment in staff, we are forecasting a financial loss for 2022/23. This will be met from existing reserves, as a

result of which the trustees are confident there are no significant uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

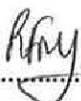
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Signed on behalf of the trustees:

  
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Revd Ruth Fry

Date: 6 - 4 - 23  
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**Trustees who served during the year and to date:**

Rev Sue Keegan von Allmen (to July 2022)

Rev Ruth Fry

Rev Peter Rayson (from September 2022)

Jane Merryman

Anne Heath

Derek Lowe

Chris Goodhead

Mark Downer

David Wrighton

Diana Masters (to May 2022)

Barbara Ackroyd

Susan Gulliver

Jane Padley

Diane Pugh

Tony Hill

Sara Goodhead

Ruth Johnson

Nigel Fenwick (to May 2022)

Rachael Hunt

Martin Napier

Alison Fenwick (to May 2022)

Keith Cole

Anne-Marie Jenkins

John Evans

Barbara Lowe

Ken Richardson

Val Thomas (to May 2022)

Geoff Thomas (to May 2022)

Jenny Heal

Tim Padley

Alice Wrighton

Eleanor Carter (from November 2021)

David Jenkins (from November 2021)

Hilary Singer (from November 2021)

Brenda Syrratt (from November 2021)

**CHANDLER'S FORD METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1127449

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# Accounts

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# **Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

## **Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2021**

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church is a registered charity, number 1127449

Address: Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 2GJ

Ministers and Joint Chairs of Trustees: Rev. Sue Keegan von Allmen and Rev. Ruth Fry

The church has a total membership of 262 in November 2021, of which 34 served as trustees during the year.

### **Vision:**

*'Making more faithful followers of Jesus.'*

### **Mission Statement:**

Our purpose is to worship God and, helped by the Holy Spirit, to love each other, to care for those in need and to share the love of Jesus with those in the community around us.

### **The Methodist Church**

We take our place as part of the wider Methodist Church, a Christian denomination. The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission.

### **Church priorities in 2020-21**

In September 2020 we agreed on four church priorities, which are ongoing:  
Worship, Learning, Caring and Service.

### ***Worship*** which nurtures people in different stages of life

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church has continued to worship God each Sunday, both morning and evening and during a Thursday midweek service. Both the Sunday 11 am morning service and the Thursday 10.30 am morning service continue to be available in hybrid form (both in person and online). In September 2021 a new monthly worship service 'Breakfast Church' was introduced meeting at 9.30 am to share breakfast together followed by an informal, creative, and contemporary style act of worship. This new service is proving to be popular with people of all ages but particularly with families, children, and young people. The purpose in starting this new service is to provide opportunities for those in the first half of life spiritually to be nurtured in their faith through collective worship. The weekly 'service at home' sheet produced during the Covid lockdowns has continued to be provided. The baptism of a teenager took place in December 2021. The ministers, supported by our supernumerary ministers, have conducted several funerals.

We have continued to explore the stages of spiritual life in relation to worship, with a focus on the first and second halves of spiritual life. In the first half we build our beliefs and learn how to live our faith in the world. In the second half having experienced the realities of life, we become open to asking questions and move beyond our personal concerns to serve the wider world. We continue to work on the balance of the services we are offering in terms of these stages. Our hope is to be able to increase the number of breakfast church services we can offer as these are the only services with a focus on the first half of spiritual life.

In July 2021 we celebrated Bible month with a focus on Mark's Gospel. A climate Sunday service was held in August 2021 when we shared together in an eco-communion.

In December 2021 there were weekly meditations throughout Advent. We have also continued to focus on Holy Habits in our worship.

**Learning** which equips us as disciples to share God's love and our faith in the church and the world.

Over the past year, despite the disruption caused by the COVID-19 pandemic, we have continued with our study of *Holy Habits*, a three-year programme intended to deepen discipleship across the church community. During the period of this report we explored 'Serving' in Autumn 2020, 'Sharing Resources' during Summer 2021, 'Gladness & Generosity' in Autumn 2021 and 'Worship' from January to March 2022. Each habit provides the church with a particular focus for 2-3 months, with some services adopting the theme, and groups and individuals being encouraged to engage with the 'habit' through themed material, e.g. Bible Studies.

'Sharing Resources' was an opportunity to reflect upon the huge inequalities that exist in the distribution of resources across the world, nationally and within our local community, and the extent to which these inequalities have been highlighted by the pandemic in terms of financial resilience, health outcomes and access to vaccines. In response the church donated 10% of this year's Gift Day proceeds to the UNICEF Coronavirus appeal.

As part of 'Gladness & Generosity' we held a Community Art Exhibition. The theme was 'Love for God's Creation' and members of the church and local community were invited to produce art works in any medium and offer them for display. Those who did so explored the theme in a variety of ways that reminded us of the enjoyment we all receive through nature, its role in maintaining mental well-being (of particular importance during the pandemic), and God's generosity in providing us with a bountiful as well as a beautiful world. Others reflected on humankind's devastating impact upon our planet, particularly in respect of climate change and the urgent need to take action, that everyone is part of God's creation and of our need to ultimately trust in God's providential care for his creation.

All of the Fellowship and House Groups have now been able to resume in-person meetings again. Each is responsible for its own programme, but for the most part these combine sessions using the *Holy Habits* material and other, often self-generated, material.

***Caring*** which deepens our fellowship and enables us to be an inclusive community.

Pastoral Care is shared between ministers, lay employees and pastoral visitors (who are drawn from the church membership). For many, in-person visits have resumed but some members have preferred to continue receiving the phone calls that replaced visits during the first lockdown in 2020 so both now take place alongside each other.

Pastoral visitors meet together three times a year to discuss common issues and receive training, and this year a new prayer resource has been produced – an attractive booklet containing prayers for use during pastoral visits.

***Service*** through which we share our faith by serving the local community and the wider world.

The service action team coordinates our support for people suffering from injustice both locally and globally. Locally it has focused on the Eastleigh Basics Bank, coordinating regular donations and volunteers, and also supporting local community organisation SCRATCH in its Christmas toy appeals. Our Dovetail Café has been able to resume its services after the closure during the pandemic and continues to provide a meeting place for individuals and groups within the community. More Globally we support and promote the work of 'All We Can' and are active within the local ecumenical group in organizing fundraising and campaigning activities in support of Christian Aid.

During 2021 we also engaged with the issue of climate change, recognising the Climate Emergency and committing to further work in response. We will do this by among other things, encouraging our members to take personal actions to campaign for change and reduce their own carbon footprint and also by working towards updating our credentials as an Eco Church.

### ***Work with children, families, and young people***

The Dovetots parent and toddler group which meets during school term time was seen as a priority for reopening in September 2020 as it operates as a support group for parents. The Hand in Hand Puppet group was also able to begin meeting again and to work towards a contribution to the church nativity service which was held on Christmas Eve.

The Young Peoples Fellowship which had been meeting online before September 2020 began meeting in person again and the support and encouragement given to them by this was very much appreciated by the young people.

Revd Ruth Fry, our Minister with responsibility for co-ordinating the work with young people, children and families initially met online in October 2020 with leaders from all the groups including the uniformed organisations. The long-term aim is to produce and implement a phased strategy for the work with young people, children and families across the Church.

Early in 2021 our youth worker John Andrews resigned from the post in order to relocate to Devon and his full-time contract finished at the end of March 2021.

In September 2021 our part-time youth worker Ellie Carter was appointed. The youth management team met regularly throughout the year to support her and to oversee this area of the work of the church.

The Dovetots group has grown in numbers since September 2021 and more volunteers have been recruited to help with running the group. This is a very positive group which provides support for parents and carers and an opportunity for pre-school children to play together in a safe and welcoming setting. A very successful Christingle service was held in the church on Christmas eve to which many of these parents and children came.

The 'Who Let The Dads Out' group began meeting again in 2022 and is very much appreciated by those who attend monthly.

The work which had begun on the review of the relationship between the church and its Pre-School is continuing and a new term of reference document has now been agreed by the church council.

The pandemic has undoubtedly had a significant impact on the lives of our children and young people. Meeting the spiritual needs of the children and young people with whom the Church has contact, and which forms an important part of their overall health and well-being remains very important to us. Both uniformed groups (Boys and Girls Brigade) continue to provide support and an opportunity to engage with the Christian faith for young people in Chandler's Ford. It is noticeable that Boys Brigade attracts several young people with emotional and behavioural needs.

Since September 2021 two new groups for children and young people have begun meeting twice a month on a Sunday morning during the worship service.

### ***Resources***

The second wave of Covid in Autumn 2020 brought further disruption and had a major impact on church based activities and external lettings through to September 2021. Our focus was on maintaining safety and security, and the general condition of the buildings through times of minimal use.

The Resources staff team continued to operate on much reduced hours, ably supported by a small band of dedicated volunteers who continue to provide excellent support to Shaun Fletcher (Property Manager) and Keith Cole (Caretaker) and we are hugely grateful to them all. Anne Heath and Richard Wright merit special mention here for their week in, week out support during and after Covid lockdown, and this continues.

Throughout 2020-2021, the church continued to access the financial support offered through the extension of the furlough scheme, which covered up to 80% of salary costs. Income from lettings for 2020-2021 was understandably significantly reduced, amounting to only £ 11,023 for the year compared with £44,031 in 2018-19, the last non-Covid affected year.

A key member of our Bookings team, Simon Farrenden, left his role as Administrator in April 2021. We are very grateful to Simon for the hard work he did over several years. Another significant development in 2020-2021 was the retirement of John Bronsdon as Chair of the Resources Committee, and our thanks go to John for the very significant contribution he has made over many years in that role. A new Chair, Alice Wrighton, took over the role in July 2021.

The new year to date has seen some significant staffing changes, the lifting of Covid restrictions nationally, and a gradual return to a degree of 'normality', although we have remained rightly cautious about risk management in order to ensure ongoing protection for the vulnerable.

Furlough ended on 1st October, and our employed staff resumed their normal hours. In this time, Marilyn Pack, (Church Secretary), Jan Moring (Bookings Administrator) and Kelleigh Dauya (Cleaner) left us. We thank them for their loyal service. In September 2021, Katrina Neale was appointed to the new role of Church Administrator, working across reception, bookings and secretarial support for our ministers and based in the church office every weekday morning. In her voluntary role as Bookings Coordinator, Barbara Lowe also plays a significant part in line managing and working with Katrina and others to ensure the smooth running of the premises especially as this relates to bookings and events.

Thanks to the team's efforts and a return to a new Post-Covid 'normality' we are starting to see a real upturn in lettings with many of our previous regular community group bookings (including several music groups and self-help groups) coming back as well as one-off concerts and events.

All this, along with the reopening of our cafe Tuesday to Saturday, means that at last the community 'buzz' is returning and that augurs well for the future of Chandler's Ford Methodist Church as a centre for our local community. The Cafe leaders and their teams have done an amazing job in getting things back up and running in the Dovetail. Our overall aim is to ensure that we make the most of the wonderful facilities we have, offering support and hospitality to all, at a fair cost.

Since December 2021, costs of both gas and electricity have doubled, leading to the prospect of increased costs totaling approximately £14,000. Lettings charges have been revised to reflect these increased costs, and we embarked on measures to manage energy consumption such as the targeted use of space heaters, use of timers, and minimising switch on times for the more costly gas fired boiler system. These can only be short term measures and work is underway to develop a strategy to modernize our heating and energy systems.

## ***Communication***

On a weekly basis we email a large part of our congregation (and deliver to the rest) with important messages, a service sheet that includes hymns, prayers, bible readings and a message to develop the issues raised either by the bible passages or the issues of the moment.

We also publish a monthly magazine "The Link" which gives more in depth articles and messages about our church. This is available in written form in the church and as a PDF via our website [www.cfmetho dist.church](http://www.cfmetho dist.church)

As well as our excellent notice boards in the church premises we now use our website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to engage with the whole of our church community both locally and across the globe. Each platform has people who interact with many of them and some who only know us through that channel. We endeavour to keep our messages mixed in order to encourage engagement and consequently increase the reach of our communications.

The ongoing use of Zoom as an option for church services and meetings has highlighted the benefits of modern technology. We continue to explore how we can make use of this in the future.

## **Oversight and Governance**

The trustees are members of the Church Council. Members' representatives and Church Stewards are elected at the Annual Church Meeting. A number of committees take responsibility for specific areas of church life and report to the Church Council. There are currently 3 Action Teams focusing on Worship, Learning and Caring, and Service, plus a Resources Committee which oversees the management of staff, property and finance. The Church Council meets quarterly, to review the mission of the church and to discharge its duties as trustees.

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The Covid-19 pandemic has continued to impact our finances after the year end, with income from the church premises recovering only slowly. This together with the increased utility costs mean we are forecasting a financial loss for 2021/22. This will be met from existing reserves, as a result of which the trustees are confident there are no significant uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.


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Revd Ruth Fry

Date: 14.5.22  
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**Trustees who served during the year and to date:**

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|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Rev Sue Keegan von Allmen       | Anne-Marie Jenkins                  |
| Rev Ruth Fry                    | Dawn Wood (to June 2021)            |
| Jane Merryman                   | John Evans                          |
| John Andrews (to March 2021)    | Barbara Lowe                        |
| Anne Heath                      | Ken Richardson                      |
| Derek Lowe                      | Val Thomas                          |
| Chris Goodhead                  | Geoff Thomas                        |
| Mark Downer                     | Jenny Heal                          |
| David Wrighton                  | Tim Padley                          |
| Diana Masters                   | Alice Wrighton (from June 2021)     |
| John Bronsdon (to October 2020) | David Jenkins (from November 2021)  |
| Barbara Ackroyd                 | Hilary Singer (from November 2021)  |
| Susan Gulliver                  | Brenda Syrratt (from November 2021) |
| Jane Padley                     |                                     |
| Diane Pugh                      |                                     |
| Tony Hill                       |                                     |
| Sara Goodhead                   |                                     |
| Ruth Johnson                    |                                     |
| Nigel Fenwick                   |                                     |
| Rachael Hunt                    |                                     |
| Martin Napier                   |                                     |
| Alison Fenwick                  |                                     |
| Alison Cole (to June 2021)      |                                     |
| Keith Cole                      |                                     |



Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2021**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2020-21 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	150,304			150,304
2 Gift day appeal		24,749			24,749
3 Donations and legacies	5	2,045		810	2,855
3a Grants including furlough		25,861		5,400	31,261
4 Investment income	6	1,022			1,022
5 Property income	7	13,806			13,806
6 Internal organisations				104,309	104,309
7 Other charitable income	8	2,904			2,904
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>220,691</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>110,519</b>	<b>331,210</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		130,081			130,081
10 Grants and donations			15,840	2,005	17,845
11 Property maintenance		2,713			2,713
12 Insurance, utilities etc		17,364			17,364
13 Depreciation		3,737			3,737
14 Staff costs	11	47,161		4,700	51,861
15 Other expenditure		3,709	500	306	4,515
16 Internal organisations				92,606	92,606
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>204,765</b>	<b>16,340</b>	<b>99,617</b>	<b>320,722</b>
18 Gain/(loss) on monetary investments	13	8,998			8,998
19 Gain/(loss) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>24,924</b>	<b>-16,340</b>	<b>10,902</b>	<b>19,486</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	-4,093	15,030	-10,937	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>20,831</b>	<b>-1,310</b>	<b>-35</b>	<b>19,486</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		88,495	2,530,503	76,687	2,695,685
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>109,326</b>	<b>2,529,193</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>

# Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

Unrestricted £	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted £	Totals this year 2021 £	Totals last year 2020 £
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### Tangible Fixed Assets

#### Notes

Land & Buildings	12		2,500,000		2,500,000	2,500,000
Equipment	12	1,603			1,603	3,900
Investment properties						
Investments	13	31,114	26,900		58,014	49,016
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>32,717</b>	<b>2,526,900</b>		<b>2,559,617</b>	<b>2,552,916</b>

### Current Assets

Debtors and Prepayments	14	56,126			56,126	58,570
Cash at Bank and in hand	14	44,488	2,293	76,652	123,433	106,838
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits						
Central Finance Board Deposits						
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>100,614</b>	<b>2,293</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>179,559</b>	<b>165,408</b>

Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)	15	24,005			24,005	22,639
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<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>		<b>76,609</b>	<b>2,293</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>155,554</b>	<b>142,769</b>
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<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>109,326</b>	<b>2,529,193</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>
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Loans and creditors due after 1 year						
Provisions for liabilities and charges						

<b>Net assets</b>		<b>109,326</b>	<b>2,529,193</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>
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### Funds of the Church

Unrestricted funds	17	109,326	2,529,193		2,638,519	2,618,998
Restricted funds				76,652	76,652	76,687
Endowment funds					-	
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>109,326</b>	<b>2,529,193</b>	<b>76,652</b>	<b>2,715,171</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>

Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**SOFA for the year ended 31 August 2020 (previous year)**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019-20 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	150,442			150,442
2 Gift day appeal					0
3 Donations and legacies	5	17,669		630	18,299
3a Grants including furlough		16,273		8,000	24,273
4 Investment income	6	928			928
5 Property income	7	33,768			33,768
6 Internal organisations				133,255	133,255
7 Other charitable income	8	5,315			5,315
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>224,395</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141,885</b>	<b>366,280</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		130,081			130,081
10 Grants and donations			14,041	1,312	15,353
11 Property maintenance		12,898		82	12,980
12 Insurance, utilities etc		19,396			19,396
13 Depreciation		3,817			3,817
14 Staff costs	11	62,381		8,000	70,381
15 Other expenditure		6,769	230	1,329	8,328
16 Internal organisations				120,464	120,464
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>235,342</b>	<b>14,271</b>	<b>131,187</b>	<b>380,800</b>
18 Gains on monetary investments	13	-880			-880
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-11,827</b>	<b>-14,271</b>	<b>10,698</b>	<b>-15,400</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	7,710	15,744	-23,454	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-4,117</b>	<b>1,473</b>	<b>-12,756</b>	<b>-15,400</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		92,612	2,529,030	89,443	2,711,085
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>88,495</b>	<b>2,530,503</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>

## Notes to the Accounts

### 1. Basis of accounting

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<b>4. Offerings including Gift Aid</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
Standing Orders	99,314		<b>99,314</b>	95,483
Collections and regular giving	26,066		<b>26,066</b>	23,346
Tax credits	24,924		<b>24,924</b>	31,613
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,304</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>150,304</b>	<b>150,442</b>

<b>5. Donations and legacies</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
Donations	2,045	810	<b>2,855</b>	17,299
Legacies	-	-	<b>-</b>	1,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,045</b>	<b>810</b>	<b>2,855</b>	<b>18,299</b>

<b>6. Investment income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
Central Finance Board	805		<b>805</b>	887
Other	217		<b>217</b>	41
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,022</b>	<b>928</b>

<b>7. Property income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
Lettings	11,023		<b>11,023</b>	30,612
Electricity generation	2,783		<b>2,783</b>	3,156
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,806</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>13,806</b>	<b>33,768</b>

<b>8. Other income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	£	£	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total</b>
Fundraising events	2,353		<b>2,353</b>	4,365
Donations for other charities	-	-	<b>-</b>	-
Other	551		<b>551</b>	950
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,904</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>2,904</b>	<b>5,315</b>

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**9. Payment to Trustees**

	2021	2020
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£ 17,121	30,803
Number of trustees who were paid expenses	1	1
Nature of the expenses: Youthworker expenses		
Total amount paid		£ 359

**10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£ 550	650
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor		

**11. Paid employees**

**Staff Costs paid during the year were:**

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 130,500	168,402
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 6,000	6,765
Pension costs	£ 2,000	1,973
Total staff costs	£ 138,500	177,140
<b>Average number of staff employed during the year were:</b>	17	21

The above totals include £86,639 (2020: £106,759) staff costs and 11 (2020: 14) staff relating to Peter Pan Pre-School which is classified as a church internal organisation.

No employees received emoluments over £60,000 during the current or prior year.

**Volunteers**

In accordance with FRS102, the value of volunteer time is not recognised in the accounts. However it is acknowledged that the church benefits greatly from all the work done by its many volunteers, enriching and expanding so many areas of our worship, service and mission. This includes the members of Church Council (trustees) who kindly provide time free of charge to oversee the church's operations and ensure compliance with our many obligations.

**12. Tangible Fixed Assets**  
Cost or valuation

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other land and buildings £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Solar Panels £	Church display screens £	Total £
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	2,500,000		17,233	16,500	24,541	2,558,274
Additions			1,440			1,440
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)			-1,680			-1,680
Transfers * (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	2,500,000		16,993	16,500	24,541	2,558,034

**Accumulated depreciation**

Balance brought forward			15,396	14,437	24,541	54,374
Depreciation charge for year (-)			1,674	2,063		3,737
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)			-1,680			-1,680
Transfers* (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>			15,390	16,500	24,541	56,431

**Net book value**

Brought forward 2020	2,500,000	-	1,837	2,063	-	2,503,900
Carried forward 2021	2,500,000	-	1,603	-	-	2,501,603

Depreciation rate/period:

nil

2-4 years

8 years

3 years

**13. Investments**

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

**Analysis of investment movements**

**2021**

**2020**

**Change in investment values**

	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	49,016	49,896
<b>Add:</b> additions to investments at cost		
<b>Less:</b> disposals at carrying value		
<b>Net gain/(loss) on revaluation</b>	8,998	- 880
Carrying (market) value at end of year	58,014	49,016

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**14. Analysis of current assets**

	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>		
Pre paid assessments	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	4,206	6,350
Other debtors	51,920	52,220
<b>Total debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>56,126</b>	<b>58,570</b>

**Analysis of cash at bank**

Bank balance held in Lloyds	26,873	26,508
Bank balance held in CAF & Chapel Fund	24,841	9,377
Bank balance held by internal organisations	71,719	70,953
<b>Total Cash and Bank</b>	<b>123,433</b>	<b>106,838</b>

**15. Analysis of current liabilities**

PAYE	301	1,401
Accruals and other creditors	23,704	21,238
Loans		
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>24,005</b>	<b>22,639</b>

**16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

At the 31st August 2021 the Church has no capital commitments (likewise for 2020).

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2021 (likewise for 2020).

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**17. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements**

**Unrestricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General fund	88,495	220,691	-204,765	-4,093	8,998	109,326
Development fund	26,900					26,900
Benevolence fund	1,083		-15,840	15,030		273
Gift Day - Young People's Work	2,520		-500			2,020
Church building	2,500,000					2,500,000
Totals	2,618,998	220,691	-221,105	10,937	8,998	2,638,519

**Restricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Internal organisations:						
Peter Pan Pre-school	64,548	100,113	-91,358	-7,237		66,066
Dovetail Café	597	3,969	-1,121	-2,700		745
Women's Fellowship	1,752			-1,000		752
Drama Group	867					867
Others	3,189	227	-127			3,289
Internal organisations total	70,953	104,309	-92,606	-10,937		71,719
Southampton Methodist District re Youthwork		4,700	-4,700			
Legacy November 2017	5,094		-306			4,788
Other grants	640	1,510	-2,005			145
Totals	76,687	110,519	-99,617	-10,937		76,652

**Fund purposes**

**Development Fund:** in case of major unplanned premises costs, set at 0.5% of buildings insurance value

**Benevolence Fund:** for giving to other charitable causes, funded by 10% of regular offerings income

**Gift Day:** fundraising for mission amongst children and young people; excess to general funds

**Internal Organisations:** funds held by groups reporting to Church Council

**Legacy November 2017:** received for specified use: Boys Brigade, local aid, youth/children's work & training

**Other grants:** funds collected on behalf of other organisations

**Transfers between funds**

A net total of £10,937 was received into general funds from internal organisations to recognise use of premises etc

**18. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions for 2021 or 2020. There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business or given with conditions.

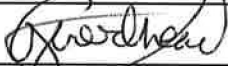
Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

14/05/2022

Name of Treasurer

Chris Goodhead

Address

13 Merdon Avenue, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants, SO53 1EH

### Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were presented to the Church Council at its meeting on

16-Feb-22

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Ruth Fry

Date

14.5.22

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Chandler's Ford Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2021

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary 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.

**Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

Frances Wilde

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

FCCA

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Warner Wilde Limited

Address

4 Marigold Drive, Bisley, Surrey, GU24 9SF

Date

16 May 2022

**CHANDLER'S FORD METHODIST CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1127449

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# Accounts

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Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2020**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2019-20 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	150,442			150,442
2 Gift day appeal					0
3 Donations and legacies	5	17,669		630	18,299
3a Grants including furlough		16,273		8,000	24,273
4 Investment income	6	928			928
5 Property income	7	33,768			33,768
6 Internal organisations				133,255	133,255
7 Other charitable income	8	5,315			5,315
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>224,395</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>141,885</b>	<b>366,280</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		130,081			130,081
10 Grants and donations			14,041	1,312	15,353
11 Property maintenance		12,898		82	12,980
12 Insurance, utilities etc		19,396			19,396
13 Depreciation		3,817			3,817
14 Staff costs	11	62,381		8,000	70,381
15 Other expenditure		6,769	230	1,329	8,328
16 Internal organisations				120,464	120,464
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>235,342</b>	<b>14,271</b>	<b>131,187</b>	<b>380,800</b>
18 Gain/(loss) on monetary investments	13	-880			-880
19 Gain/(loss) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-11,827</b>	<b>-14,271</b>	<b>10,698</b>	<b>-15,400</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	7,710	15,744	-23,454	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-4,117</b>	<b>1,473</b>	<b>-12,756</b>	<b>-15,400</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		92,612	2,529,030	89,443	2,711,085
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>88,495</b>	<b>2,530,503</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>

# Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020

		Unrestricted £	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted £	Totals this year 2020 £	Totals last year 2019 £
<b>Tangible Fixed Assets</b>						
	<b>Notes</b>					
Land & Buildings	12		2,500,000		2,500,000	2,500,000
Equipment	12	3,900			3,900	5,788
Investment properties						
Investments	13	22,116	26,900		49,016	49,896
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>26,016</b>	<b>2,526,900</b>		<b>2,552,916</b>	<b>2,555,684</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors and Prepayments	14	56,050	2,520		58,570	52,900
Cash at Bank and in hand	14	29,068	1,083	76,687	106,838	124,600
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits						
Central Finance Board Deposits						
Other						
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>85,118</b>	<b>3,603</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>165,408</b>	<b>177,500</b>
<b>Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 yr)</b>	15	<b>22,639</b>			<b>22,639</b>	<b>22,099</b>
<b>Net current assets (liabilities)</b>		<b>62,479</b>	<b>3,603</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>142,769</b>	<b>155,401</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>88,495</b>	<b>2,530,503</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>	<b>2,711,085</b>
<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>						
<b>Provisions for liabilities and charges</b>						
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>88,495</b>	<b>2,530,503</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>	<b>2,711,085</b>
<b>Funds of the Church</b>						
	17					
Unrestricted funds		88,495	2,530,503		2,618,998	2,621,642
Restricted funds				76,687	76,687	89,443
Endowment funds					-	
<b>Total Funds</b>	17	<b>88,495</b>	<b>2,530,503</b>	<b>76,687</b>	<b>2,695,685</b>	<b>2,711,085</b>

Name of Church

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church

Charity No. 1127449

**SOFA for the year ended 31 August 2019 (previous year)**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2018-19 £
<b>Income</b>					
1 Offerings including Gift Aid	4	157,202			157,202
2 Gift day appeal			13,012		13,012
3 Donations and legacies	5	3,212		74	3,286
3a Grants				7,500	7,500
4 Investment income	6	1,422			1,422
5 Property income	7	47,058			47,058
6 Internal organisations				172,103	172,103
7 Other charitable income	8	4,425			4,425
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>213,319</b>	<b>13,012</b>	<b>179,677</b>	<b>406,008</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>					
9 Circuit assessment		130,081			130,081
10 Grants and donations			24,461	289	24,750
11 Property maintenance		10,380		728	11,108
12 Insurance, utilities etc		21,955			21,955
13 Depreciation		3,172			3,172
14 Staff costs	11	64,984		7,500	72,484
15 Other expenditure		8,011	2,262	2,264	12,537
16 Internal organisations				143,498	143,498
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>238,583</b>	<b>26,723</b>	<b>154,279</b>	<b>419,585</b>
18 Gains on monetary investments	13	611			611
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties					0
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-24,653</b>	<b>-13,711</b>	<b>25,398</b>	<b>-12,966</b>
21 Transfers between funds	17	18,592	8,620	-27,212	0
22 Other gains/(losses)					0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-6,061</b>	<b>-5,091</b>	<b>-1,814</b>	<b>-12,966</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		98,673	2,534,121	91,257	2,724,051
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<b>4. Offerings including Gift Aid</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>	<b>2019 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Standing Orders	95,483		<b>95,483</b>	99,851
Collections and regular giving	23,346		<b>23,346</b>	31,231
Tax credits	31,613		<b>31,613</b>	26,120
<b>Total</b>	<b>150,442</b>	-	<b>150,442</b>	<b>157,202</b>

<b>5. Donations and legacies</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>	<b>2019 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Donations	16,669	630	<b>17,299</b>	2,258
Legacies	1,000	-	<b>1,000</b>	1,028
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,669</b>	<b>630</b>	<b>18,299</b>	<b>3,286</b>

<b>6. Investment income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>	<b>2019 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Central Finance Board	887		<b>887</b>	1,387
Other	41		<b>41</b>	35
<b>Total</b>	<b>928</b>	-	<b>928</b>	<b>1,422</b>

<b>7. Property income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>	<b>2019 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Lettings	30,612		<b>30,612</b>	44,031
Electricity generation	3,156		<b>3,156</b>	3,027
<b>Total</b>	<b>33,768</b>	-	<b>33,768</b>	<b>47,058</b>

<b>8. Other income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>	<b>2019 Total</b>
	£	£	£	£
Fundraising events	4,365		<b>4,365</b>	2,176
Donations for other charities	-	-	-	-
Other	950		<b>950</b>	2,249
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,315</b>	-	<b>5,315</b>	<b>4,425</b>

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**9. Payment to Trustees**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£ 30,803	29,994
Number of trustees who were paid expenses	1	1
Nature of the expenses: Youthworker expenses		
Total amount paid	£ 359	842

**10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£ 650	480
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£	

**11. Paid employees**

**Staff Costs paid during the year were:**

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 168,402	186,576
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 6,765	7,780
Pension costs	£ 1,973	1,478
Total staff costs	£ 177,140	195,834
<b>Average number of staff employed during the year were:</b>	21	23

The above totals include £106,759 (2019: £119,664) staff costs and 14 (2019: 16) staff relating to Peter Pan Pre-School which is classified as a church internal organisation.

No employees received emoluments over £60,000 during the current or prior year.

**Volunteers**

In accordance with FRS102, the value of volunteer time is not recognised in the accounts. However it is acknowledged that the church benefits greatly from all the work done by its many volunteers, enriching and expanding so many areas of our worship, service and mission. This includes the members of Church Council (trustees) who kindly provide time free of charge to oversee the church's operations and ensure compliance with our many obligations.

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**12. Tangible Fixed Assets**  
Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other land and buildings £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Solar Panels £	Church display screens £	Total £
<b>Balance brought forward</b>	2,500,000		15,304	16,500	24,541	2,556,345
Additions			1,929			1,929
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers * (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>	2,500,000		17,233	16,500	24,541	2,558,274

**Accumulated depreciation**

Balance brought forward			13,642	12,374	24,541	50,557
Depreciation charge for year (-)			1,754	2,063		3,817
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers* (+/-)						
<b>Balance carried forward</b>			15,396	14,437	24,541	54,374

**Net book value**

Brought forward 2019	2,500,000	-	1,662	4,126	-	2,505,788
Carried forward 2020	2,500,000	-	1,837	2,063	-	2,503,900

Depreciation rate/period: nil

2-4 years

8 years

3 years

### 13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

#### Analysis of investment movements

	2020	2019
	£	£
<b>Change in investment values</b>		
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	49,896	49,285
<b>Add:</b> additions to investments at cost		
<b>Less:</b> disposals at carrying value		
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	- 880	611
Carrying (market) value at end of year	49,016	49,896

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**14. Analysis of current assets**

	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>		
Pre paid assessments	-	-
Prepayments and accrued income	6,350	6,180
Other debtors	52,220	46,720
<b>Total debtors and prepayments</b>	<b>58,570</b>	<b>52,900</b>

**Analysis of cash at bank**

Bank balance held in Lloyds	26,508	37,611
Bank balance held in CAF & Chapel Fund	9,377	10,373
Bank balance held by internal organisations	70,953	76,616
<b>Total Cash and Bank</b>	<b>106,838</b>	<b>124,600</b>

**15. Analysis of current liabilities**

PAYE	1,401	1,991
Accruals and other creditors	21,238	20,108
Loans		
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>22,639</b>	<b>22,099</b>

**16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

At the 31st August 2020 the Church has no capital commitments (likewise for 2019).

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2020 (likewise for 2019).

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**17. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements**

**Unrestricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General fund	92,612	224,395	-235,342	7,710	-880	88,495
Development fund	26,200			700		26,900
Benevolence fund	80		-14,041	15,044		1,083
Gift Day - Young People's Work	2,750		-230			2,520
Church building	2,500,000					2,500,000
Totals	2,621,642	224,395	-249,613	23,454	-880	2,618,998

**Restricted Funds**

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Internal organisations:						
Peter Pan Pre-school	67,543	114,070	-113,077	-3,988		64,548
Dovetail Café	1,229	14,150	-4,782	-10,000		597
Women's Fellowship	2,933	2,046	-1,626	-1,600		1,753
Drama Group	1,405	1,093	-132	-1,500		866
Others	3,506	1,896	-847	-1,366		3,189
Internal organisations total	76,616	133,255	-120,464	-18,454		70,953
Dovetail Doors	82		-82			
Southampton Methodist District re Youthwork		8,000	-8,000			
Legacy November 2017	12,624		-2,530	-5,000		5,094
Other grants	121	630	-111			640
Totals	89,443	141,885	-131,187	-23,454		76,687

**Fund purposes**

**Development Fund:** in case of major unplanned premises costs, set at 0.5% of buildings insurance value

**Benevolence Fund:** for giving to other charitable causes, funded by 10% of regular offerings income

**Gift Day:** fundraising for mission amongst children and young people; excess to general funds

**Internal Organisations:** funds held by groups reporting to Church Council

**Dovetail Doors:** funds raised for access doors to the Dovetail corridor, now used for ongoing maintenance

**Legacy November 2017:** received for specified use: Boys Brigade, local aid, youth/children's work & training

**Other grants:** funds collected on behalf of other organisations

**Transfers between funds**

A net total of £18,454 was received into general funds from internal organisations to recognise use of premises etc

**18. Related party transactions**

There were no related party transactions for 2020 or 2019. There are no donations from related parties which are outside the normal course of business or given with conditions.

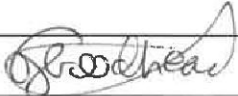
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## DECLARATIONS

### Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

29 May 2021

Name of Treasurer

Chris Goodhead

Address

13 Merdon Avenue, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants, SO53 1EH

### Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2019 were presented to the Church Council at its meeting on

08-Feb-21

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Sue Keegan von Allmen

Date

3/6/2021

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Chandler's Ford Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August

2020

### Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for ensuring that the annual report and accounts for the year to 31 August 2020 present a true and fair view of the Church's income and expenditure for the year and of its assets and liabilities at the balance sheet date. The trustees consider that an audit is not necessary 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.

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**Basis of Independent Examiner's Report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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, in nature or scale, or disclosures in the accounts, seeking explanations from the Trustees concerning 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. My 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 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

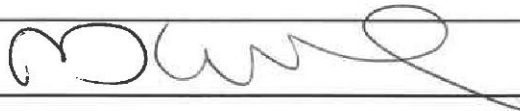
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

(3) I have /have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Name of independent examiner

Mary Wallbank

Signature of independent examiner



Relevant Professional qualification or body

ACIE

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Charity Management Services

Address

18 Park Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hants, SO53 2EU

Date

7.6.2021

# **Chandler's Ford Methodist Church**

## **Annual Report for the year ended 31 August 2020**

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church is a registered charity, number 1127449

Address: Winchester Road, Chandler's Ford, Eastleigh, Hampshire SO53 2GJ

Minister and Chair of Trustees: Rev. Sue Keegan von Allmen

The church has a total membership of 278 in November 2020, of which 32 served as trustees during the year.

### **Vision:**

*'Making more faithful followers of Jesus.'*

### **Mission Statement:**

Our purpose is to worship God and, helped by the Holy Spirit, to love each other, to care for those in need and to share the love of Jesus with those in the community around us.

### **The Methodist Church**

We take our place as part of the wider Methodist Church, a Christian denomination. The calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission.

### **Church priorities in 2020-21**

In September 2020 we agreed on four church priorities. Worship, learning, caring and service.

### ***Worship*** which nurtures people in different stages of life

Chandler's Ford Methodist Church continued to worship God each Sunday, both morning and evening and during a Friday 'Shopper's service', until the first lock-down in March 2020. Since then, worship has been different. Between 29<sup>th</sup> March and 12<sup>th</sup> July, a 'service at home' sheet was provided. We continue to provide this. We resumed worship in the church until the second lock-down when services – including a 'Mid-week service' to replace the Shopper's Service - were transferred to Zoom. We were able to hold traditional Christmas services in the church building, but between January and March our worship was on Zoom, or the services at home sheet. Throughout this time, services have changed to accord with Covid-19 restrictions. We shared in Bible Month in July 2020 and introduced the 'Methodist way of Life' in January. The ministers, supported by our supernumerary ministers, have conducted several funerals.

We have continued to explore the stages of spiritual life, with a focus on the first and second halves of spiritual life. In the first half we build our beliefs and learn how to live our faith in the

world. In the second half having experienced the realities of life, we become open to asking questions and move beyond our personal concerns to serve the wider world. This is now starting to shape our Worship, albeit this has been slowed down by the impact of Covid-19. Our work on the first half of life spirituality has recommitted us to working in greater depth with families with young children and young people. The monthly 'Messy Church' moved on-line in the late autumn and we continue to explore the possibility of 'Breakfast Church.' The involvement of musicians has been limited since March 2020, but we were blessed by the Boy's Brigade band playing before services at Christmas and Easter. Our plans for a Music and Worship Enabler are on hold.

The weekly meditations in Advent and daily meditations in Holy Week were moved on line in 2020 /21. A Quiet Afternoon was held at the beginning of Lent in 2020.

**Learning** which equips us as disciples to share God's love and our faith in the church and the world.

We launched Holy Habits as a way of deepening discipleship in January 2020 and are using the programme to reshape the life of the church. We began with 'fellowship'. 'Prayer' was launched just before the first-lock-down and study / prayer material was provided every week. 'Biblical teaching' followed and we provided the same. Before lock-down there were several house-groups and fellowship groups. In September we moved onto 'Serving' and after this had a break from Holy Habits for Christmas. During the first quarter of 2021 we took the opportunity to link 'The Methodist Way of Life' material generated by the Methodist Connexion to the four Holy Habits that we explored in 2020 as a way of helping us to consolidate the latter. Our next Holy Habit, 'Sharing Resources', was launched in April 2021.

Some of the house groups and the Young People's Fellowship continued on-line and met in gardens when that was possible. The Women's and Men's Fellowships have not been able to meet, but opening of activities for children and young people was given priority, and have taken place when they have been allowed.

We recognise that we struggle with evangelism. However, a membership class in the autumn of 2020 led to two people becoming church members, and during the year 5 more people have become church members. We hope that Holy Habits will help us to make more faithful followers of Jesus.

**Caring** which deepens our fellowship and enables us to be an inclusive community.

There is a wide range of people involved in this area of the church's life. Pastoral care is at the heart of the life of the church and has thrived during the last year. It continues to be shared between church members, ministers and lay employees. From the beginning of the first lock-down, our Pastoral Visitors and Pastoral team began to phone those they care for weekly, and we have ensured that everyone – not only members – has been included. Phone calls are now tailored to individuals. A weekly letter and notice sheet was provided with the service at home sheet from

March – August 2020 via email and personal delivery during daily exercise. A review of pastoral care begun as part of the “fellowship” theme of Holy Habits has created a new job description for Pastoral Visitors and we are exploring ways of appointing more. During the year we have reviewed our pastoral lists.

**Service** through which we share our faith by serving the local community and the wider world.

In June 2020 the church youth worker was furloughed on a full-time basis. From July 2020 this was then on a part time basis until his leaving the post in March 2021. Part time was typically 14 to 21 hours per week. Specific priorities were set by his line manager for the work carried out during this period.

The youth management team met regularly throughout the year. Work on Covid-19 risk assessments began in July 2020 meaning that Dovetots Plus (a group for parents with young children) was able to meet during the school summer holidays of August 2020.

The Dovetots parent and toddler group which meets during school term time was seen as a priority for reopening in September 2020 as it operates as a support group for parents. The Hand in Hand Puppet group was able to begin meeting again and to work towards a contribution to the church nativity service which was held on Christmas Eve. Although only a small number of families attended the nativity service this year due to the pandemic, those that did were very pleased to have been able to come.

The Young Peoples Fellowship which had been meeting online before September 2020 began meeting in person again and the support and encouragement given to them by this was very much appreciated by the young people.

Messy Church began meeting monthly online and this was welcomed and very much appreciated by around 6-8 families.

The ‘Who Let The Dads Out’ group, Senior Youth Club and Junior Youth Club ceased to meet on church premises in March 2020 and have not met since online or in person. Leaders have been in regular touch, however, with all those who previously attended these groups.

The newly appointed Minister with responsibility for co-ordinating the work with young people, children and families initially met online in October 2020 with leaders from all the groups including the uniformed organisations. The long-term aim which was shared at this meeting is to work towards producing and implementing a phased strategy for the work with young people, children and families across the Church.

The strategy will include the Church owned Pre-School group Peter Pan, the only group which has been meeting on the Church premises during much of the pandemic in line with government guidelines. Work has now begun on a review of the relationship between the Church and the Pre-School. A small group with members of all interested parties is to be appointed now to take this forward.

The pandemic will have had a significant impact on the lives of our children and young people. Meeting the spiritual needs of the children and young people with whom the Church already has contact, and which forms an important part of their overall health and well-being, will be one of the main aims of phase one of the new strategy.

Early in 2021 the current youth worker resigned from the post to relocate with his family to another part of the country. His full-time contract finished at the end of March 2021.

A job description and job specification have been drafted. The aim is for the Church to appoint a part-time youth worker who will work as part of a team with the Minister who has responsibility for this area of work and the pastoral worker for children.

The closure of the Dovetail café for large periods of the past year has been challenging for the community, particularly individuals seeking company, and we are grateful to those who enabled it to open between the first and second lock-downs. Curious Café has not been able to meet since March 2020. The closure of the Dovetail Café has also contributed to a loss of income. This has had an impact on the wider community as well as the church. Comments received from our customers and hirers show how much they miss meeting in our church.

The service action team coordinates our support for people suffering from injustice both locally and globally. Locally it has focused in particular on the Eastleigh Basics Bank, coordinating donations and volunteers, and also the work of the Chaplaincy to local businesses. We have also contributed to the support for families through the initiatives of the Parish Church. More Globally we support and promote the work of 'All We Can' and are active within the local ecumenical group in organizing fundraising and campaigning activities in support of Christian Aid.

### **Supporting the church's priorities**

To support our vision and priorities, we employ part time staff, who are managed by church members in the following roles: secretarial, building services manager, lettings administrators, caretaking and cleaning. In addition, other members of the church lead on communication, GDPR, safeguarding, and youth and children's work management.

### ***Resources***

The church continued to be well-used by the community until March 2020 with stewarding provided by church members. Since March we have reopened the building for community use and the Dovetail café as restrictions have allowed.

Due to the pandemic risk assessments were prepared and procedures were put in place to ensure that when the premises were open, all touchable surfaces were regularly cleaned and sanitised. Sanitising hand gel was provided at all entrances and spare face masks provided for worshippers. The church has suffered from a significant reduction in income from room hire. We are grateful

to church members and the maintenance staff who have ensured that the building was cared for during lock-downs and worked to new risk assessments.

To the year end of 31 August 2020, the loss of income from external and church users was £21k. We have made use of the government's furlough scheme which has covered up to 80% of our employees' salaries when they are not working, income from this source being £15k to the year end.

### ***Communication***

On a weekly basis we email a large part of our congregation (and deliver to the rest) with important messages, a service sheet that includes hymns, prayers, bible readings and a message to develop the issues raised either by the bible passages or the issues of the moment.

We also publish a monthly magazine "The Link" which gives more in depth articles and messages about our church. This is available in written form in the church and as a PDF via our website.

Traditionally, we have depended on excellent notice boards to communicate with the wider community, but with few people using the building we have extended our communication. We now use our website, Facebook, Twitter and Instagram to engage with the whole of our church community both locally and across the globe. Each platform has people who interact with many of them and some who only know us through that channel. We endeavour to keep our messages mixed so as to keep engagement. We also encourage our community to like and share posts on social media so as to increase the reach of our communications.

The use of Zoom for church services and meetings has highlighted the benefits of modern technology. We continue to explore how we can make use of this in the future.

### **Oversight and Governance**

The trustees are members of the Church Council. Members' representatives and Church Stewards are elected at the Annual Church Meeting. A number of committees take responsibility for specific areas of church life and report to the Church Council. There are currently 3 Action Teams focusing on Worship, Learning and Caring, and Service, plus a Resources Committee which oversees the management of staff, property and finance. The Church Council meets quarterly, to review the mission of the church and to discharge its duties as trustees. It maintains the highest possible standards in safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

During the year, the new leadership structure has been embedded, although meetings have been held online since March 2020. Our work on a renewed vision for our mission and ministry and our priorities continues to be a work in progress. Facing the challenges of finding sufficient people with the time and energy to resource the work mission and ministry of the church has led us to

work on ways of restructuring the way we manage resources and staff. This also continues to be a work in progress.

From September 2019 to August 2020, the ministers were Revd Sue Keegan von Allmen and Deacon Rona Eastman. Working alongside them, were John Andrews (Youth Worker), Susan Gulliver and Jane Padley (Pastoral Assistants). In September 2020 we were delighted to be joined by Rev Ruth Fry.

### **Fulfilling aims and Public Benefit**

The church mission statement is achieved through a wide variety of worship services, fellowship meetings, group activities, learning opportunities, and the presence of the church and its members in the local community. More details can be found on the church website [www.chandlersfordmethodistchurch.org.uk](http://www.chandlersfordmethodistchurch.org.uk) By way of examples, the Dovetail Centre Cafe offers a friendly welcome to all for 6 mornings a week (when not closed due to the pandemic), and the Peter Pan Pre-School provides OFSTED approved education and care for 2-5 year olds. We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Finance and Reserves**

Our main source of unrestricted income is the regular and committed giving by members and friends. The largest item of expenditure is the assessment paid to the Winchester, Eastleigh and Romsey Methodist Circuit. A significant amount of the circuit assessment is used to pay the stipends and related costs to Ministers, and the upkeep of their manses.

The unrestricted funds income (including designated funds) for the year was £224,395 (2019: £226,331). There was a deficit on general funds of £4,117 (2019: £6,061), after transferring 10% of regular membership giving to the Benevolence Fund which is used for donating to other charitable causes. Income for the year includes £14,772 of furlough grants, whereas 2019 included £13,012 from a gift day .

The electricity feed-in tariff from the solar panels installed in 2013 has continued to come in over budget, and consequently this investment has now been repaid.

The trustees are satisfied that the level of reserves is sufficient to enable the church to continue to meet its charitable objects. After excluding £2.5million which is the valuation of the church premises on the balance sheet, unrestricted reserves at 31 August 2020 were £118,998 (2019: £121,642). This includes a designated Development Fund of £26,900 (2019: £26,200) for major repairs and costs relating to the church premises, and General Funds of £88,495 (2019: £92,612).

Our reserves policy is to maintain at least 3 months' worth of general expenditure (approx. £59k) in our General Fund and 0.5% of the insurance value of our premises (approx. £26.9k) in our

Development Fund. Fund movements and balances are set out in note 17 to the accounts and are in line with the reserves policy.

The Covid-19 pandemic has continued to impact our finances after the year end, with very little income being derived from the church premises. Income from church members has held up well, but the loss of lettings income and the ongoing uncertainty about the timetable for opening up means that we are anticipating a significant financial loss for 2020/21, which will be met from reserves. There are several mitigating factors to limit the deficit:

- A gift day planned for June 2021
- The ongoing use of the furlough scheme
- The youth worker post being vacant in the latter part of the year
- A generous offer from the Winchester, Eastleigh and Romsey Circuit for repayment of 10% of the Circuit Assessment if needed

As a result the trustees are confident that there are no significant uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern.

Chris Goodhead FCA acted as the treasurer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner: Mary Wallbank FCA, 18 Park Road, Chandler's Ford, SO53 2EU

Investment Bankers: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church  
Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities; Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

Signed on behalf of the trustees:

Sue Keegan von Allmen

Rev Sue Keegan von Allmen

Date: 3/6/2021

**Trustees who served during the year and to date:**

Rev Sue Keegan von Allmen  
Rev Ruth Fry (from September 2020)  
Jane Merryman  
John Andrews (to March 2021)  
Anne Heath  
Derek Lowe  
Chris Goodhead  
Mark Downer  
David Wrighton  
Diana Masters  
John Bronsdon  
Barbara Ackroyd  
Susan Gulliver  
Jane Padley  
Diane Pugh  
Tony Hill  
Sara Goodhead  
Ruth Johnson  
Nigel Fenwick  
Rachael Hunt  
Martin Napier  
Alison Fenwick  
Alison Cole  
Keith Cole  
Anne-Marie Jenkins  
Deacon Rona Eastman (to July 2020)  
Dawn Wood  
John Evans  
Barbara Lowe  
Ken Richardson  
Val Thomas  
Geoff Thomas  
Jenny Heal  
Tim Padley (from September 2020)