



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1st September 2023 Period start date **To 31st August 2024**
Period end date

Charity name: Shirley Methodist Church

Charity registration number: 1127524

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	<ul style="list-style-type: none">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.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Weekly Sunday worship;● Premises are hired at reasonable rates to community groups.● Pastoral Care and Visiting; Prayer Chain;● Ecumenism – services and events with other local churches, through Churches Together in Shirley;● Work with Young People – Sunday Morning Club and Creche;● Outreach through community projects, bringing people of the neighbourhood together in fellowship. This has included this year: Film nights, bread making, Christmas Carol service, Tree festival; Jumble Sale● Supporting the local Shrublands Foodbank.● Social Fellowship, such as The Guild and lecture series● Helping the world's poor through support for Christian Aid;● Support for older people and links with Hall Grange MHA;

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Other charitable support through: Action for Children (NCH), The Leprosy Mission (TLM) and Tools with a Mission (TWAM).
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	All Trustees have been made aware of the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Shirley Methodist Church has continued to offer weekly Sunday worship to an average of 80 people in the congregation, a few on zoom, as well as providing a community for around 131 adherents in total.</p> <p>The premises are popular and hired at reasonable rates to local community groups.</p> <p>The Christmas Carol service was popular and attended by the wider community.</p> <p>The following activities took place during the year:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The 'In Touch' Pastoral Scheme continues to offer pastoral support to members and adherents throughout the year.

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Jumble Sale took place, which was not only very popular with bargain hunters, but also helped economically disadvantaged people to purchase clothing and other essential items at very low prices. • Our support for TWAM (Tools with a Mission) continued, enabling tools and equipment to be donated and put to good use in the world's poorer communities. • Donations were made to Christian Aid, and also to NCH Action for Children and the Leprosy Mission. • We have continued to support Shrublands Foodbank throughout the year.
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Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	We are in an acceptable financial position, having made a small surplus this year.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	General funds are held for any legitimate general expenses which the Trustees approve. We aim to have reserves in order to meet normal expenditure during the next six months. This year the reserves are currently larger than in the previous year, as due to our temporary bank account closure, some payments could temporarily not be carried out. Restricted Funds are held for the Minister to give to deserving individuals at their discretion, plus a small sum used for any expenses.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£117,104
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	n/a
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	n/a
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	There is no uncertainty about the Charity continuing as a going concern.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	DEED OF UNION (1932) AND METHODIST CHURCH ACT (1976)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	TRUST
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Appointed by church council and/or General Church Meeting

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	SHIRLEY METHODIST CHURCH
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1127524
Charity's principal address	ELDON AVENUE SHIRLEY CROYDON CR0 8SD

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

		Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
	1	Rev Richard Lowson	Chair		Ex officio
	2	Rev Stephen Day	Superintendent Minister		Ex officio
	3	Miss Sukhvinder Kalsi	Treasurer		Church Council
	4	MR J BAXTER			Church Council
	5	MRS E SMART			Church Council
	6	MR B SMART			Church Council
	7	MISS F BYARD			Church Council
	8	MRS M GEORGE			Church Council
	9	MRS R JONES			Church Council
	10	MRS R TAYLER			Church Council
	11	MRS H TARLING			Church Council
	12	MRS R DODOO			Church Council
	13	MRS R HERAT			Church Council
	14	MR M Moore			Church Council
	15	MR T WEY	Church Council Secretary		Church Council
	16	MR S TAYLER			Church Council
	17	MRS J CROOK			Church Council
	18	MRS C ELLIOTT			Church Council
	19	MRS V RUTHERFORD			Church Council
	20	MR DAVID TAYLER			Church Council
	21	MRS SHARON ROUTLEDGE-BROWN			Church Council

	22	MRS DOREEN MOORE		Church Council
	23	MR STEPHEN HUNT		Church Council

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

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Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address
Ind Examiner	Graham Marsden	8 Edgewood Green, Shirley, Croydon CR0 7PT
Solicitor	Gowens Solicitors	Bourne House 475 Godstone Rd Whyteleafe CR3 0BL
Architect	Thomas Ford & Ptnrs	177 Kirkdale, Sydenham, SE26 4QH

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

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Full name(s)

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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Church council secretary

Date

15th June 2025

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
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SHIRLEY METHODIST CHURCH	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2024

Circuit	Circuit no	1129515
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Treasurer:

Sukhvinder Kalsi

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	Note	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	63,604.10	248.03	63,852.13	54,856.09
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	1,035.88	1,049.65	2,085.53	1,035.21
a4	Lettings	40,902.41		40,902.41	44,731.02
a5	Other receipts	1,041.74		1,041.74	18,902.28
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	106,584.13	1,297.68	107,881.81 (a7)	119,524.60

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	46,197.50		46,197.50	35,517.00
b3	Donations			0.00	0.00
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	24,649.11		24,649.11	17,212.20
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	14,324.72		14,324.72	19,430.20
b6				0.00	0.00
b7	Other payments	6,377.70	50.00	6,427.70	5,646.59
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	91,549.03	50.00	91,599.03 (b9)	77,805.99

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR				
	(a6-b8)	15,035.10	1,247.68	16,282.78	41,718.61
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	95,001.70	5,771.78	100,773.48 (c6)	57,923.68
c3	Sub total	110,036.80 (c1+c2)	7,019.46	117,056.26	99,642.29
c4	Transfers and adjustments	48.20		48.20 (c7)	1,131.19
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	110,085.00 (c3+c4)	7,019.46	117,104.46 (c8)	100,773.48 (c6)

Check Res+Unres total	TRUE
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c6 totals	TRUE
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SECTION D		£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS			
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	4,251.81	3,120.62
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	3,742.25	2,017.19
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	3,694.05	886.00
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	4,300.01 (d1+d2-d3)	4,251.81

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS		Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances		
e1	Church Concerts	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00		
e2	Church Guild	164.65	72.00	92.65		513.52	606.17		
e3				0.00			0.00		
e4				0.00			0.00		
e5				0.00			0.00		
e6				0.00			0.00		
e7				0.00			0.00		
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	164.65	72.00	92.65	0.00	513.52 (e11)	606.17 (e12)	Check	TRUE
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	107,881.81 (a7)	91,599.03 (b9)	16,282.78	48.20 (c7)	100,773.48 (c6)	117,104.46 (c8)	Check	TRUE
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	108,046.46	91,671.03	16,375.43	48.20	101,287.00 (x)	117,710.63 (y)	Check	TRUE
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS						

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES		
f1	Cash in hand	61,508.66	73,974.93		
f2	Bank Current Account	6,730.37			
f3	Bank Deposit Account				
f4	Central Finance Board	12,025.34	20,541.72		
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	20,509.11	21,558.76		
f6	Other funds - Co-Operative Bank		1,029.05		
f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	100,773.48 (c6)	117,104.46 (c8)		
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	513.52 (e11)	606.17 (e12)		
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SECTION G

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Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer Sukhvinder Kalsi Date...14/06/25.....

Name and address of treasurer ...Sukhvinder Kalsi

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Signature of the Chair of the meeting*R. Lowson*.....

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Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
 - the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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.

Signature of independent examiner *Graham Marsden*

Name of independent examiner GRAHAM MARSDEN

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner CIPFA

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 8 EDGEWOOD GREEN

..... CROYDON Post Code CR0 7PT

Date 1 June 2025

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Signature of the Chair of the meeting R. LOWSON

Name of the Chair of the meeting RICHARD LOWSON Date 1/6/25

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

...Shirley Methodist..Church

Charity Number ...1127524.....

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Shirley Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages 1 to 3. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

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Name of Church . Shirley Methodist Church

1129515

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below~~) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
 - the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.
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I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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.

Signature of independent examiner *Graham Marsden*

Name of independent examiner GRAHAM MARSDEN

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner CIPFA

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Date 1 June 2025

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