

Wealdstone Methodist Church Trustees' Report and Accounts 2021

WEALDSTONE METHODIST CHURCH

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Registered Charity No: 1127748

Wealdstone Methodist Church comes under the auspices of the Methodist Church in Britain whose governing body is the Methodist Conference. The authority by which the Conference acts is laid out in the Methodist Church Act 1976. Wealdstone Methodist Church is part of the group of Methodist Churches in the Harrow and Hillingdon Circuit and is accountable to the Methodist Conference. It is also a separately Registered Charity reporting to the Charity Commission.

All activities are undertaken by volunteers, other than the work of a stipendiary minister, appointed by the Circuit to provide guidance and oversight for the work of this and other local Methodist Churches, and the Church Development Worker who has been employed by the church.

Mission Statement

Wealdstone Methodist Church exists to provide regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non-members alike. It provides a sacred space, a building, for prayer and contemplation. It explains and commends Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups and runs a "Young Church" for children. It carries out pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved. It provides a weekly "Friendship Café", a fellowship meeting (The Wesley Guild) and a Toddlers' Group, with a Christian ethos. It offers its halls for hire, subject to availability, to community groups.

Minister

The Revd Stephen Poole Tel: 07760 490606 email: steveej55@hotmail.co.uk

Services for Marriage, Funerals, Baptisms and Confirmation are arranged directly with the Minister.

Church Council Secretary

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Treasurer

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The General Church Meeting

All church members are entitled to attend the General Church Meeting which has a responsibility to consider the whole ministry of the church. It appoints the Church Stewards and elects representatives of the congregation to serve on the Church Council.

The Church Council (Managing Trustees)

The Church Council has authority and oversight over the whole area of the ministry of the church, including the management of its property. Aims and methods, the determination and pursuit of policy and the deployment of available resources are its responsibility. It appoints committees which have authority, in their own areas of responsibility, to initiate action, co-ordinate the work done in the church, advise the Church Council and report to it. Membership of the Church Council is either "Ex-officio" or by election at the General Church Meeting or by co-option by the Church Council itself.

The Church Council members are the managing trustees of Wealdstone Methodist Church. The Custodian Trustees for property matters are the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes, located in Manchester. On appointment, Trustees receive training in their responsibilities through guidance produced by the Methodist Conference and the leaflet 'The Role of a Trustee'.

The trustees are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the church for ensuring that financial statements comply with current legislation. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets

of the church and their proper application under charity law and for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud.

Risks are regularly reviewed by the Church Council and recommendations followed up. Where necessary, advice from relevant professionals is sought.

The Trustees have adopted a Safeguarding Policy in relation to children and vulnerable people, and all trustees are subject to DBS clearance. This is reviewed annually.

There is no bar to anyone engaging in the activities of the church on the grounds of race, religion, gender or sexual orientation, saving that the trustees must by law be church members.

The Church Council is responsible for producing this Trustees' Report for the General Church Meeting and the Charities Commission. This Report for 2020 – 21 was approved by the General Church Meeting on 28 November 2021.

THE AREAS OF CHURCH WORK

The Church Council has identified three “areas” of church work plus one additional area for “administration”. The names of these areas are:

- Worship, Learning and Care
- Ministry
- Local and World Mission
- Administration

WORSHIP, LEARNING AND CARE:

This working area includes all the worship and learning activities that happen on a Sunday as well as discussion groups, Guild and the Wednesday communion services. Pastoral Care is monitored by the Pastoral Committee.

Services of Worship

Sunday: 10.30am. **Young Church** at 10.30 am

Holy Communion is included on the fourth Sunday in the month at 10.30 am.

Wednesday: Holy Communion at 11.30 (30 minutes) on the last Wednesday of the month

The Church Stewards

The General Church Meeting annually appoints as church stewards, two or more persons who are members of the Church. The church stewards are corporately responsible with the minister for giving leadership and help over the whole range of the church's life and activity. This includes being responsible for ensuring that all services appointed on the circuit plan are duly held.

Communion Stewards

The Church Council annually appoints persons to serve as communion stewards who will make provision for the proper celebration of the sacrament of the Lord's Supper

The Pastoral Committee

The Church Council annually appoints pastoral visitors and a Pastoral Committee secretary to share in the pastoral care of members and adherents.

Fellowship and Discussion Groups

Wesley Guild meets on Thursdays at 7.30 pm from October to February.

House Groups: Two groups previously met monthly in a member's home but during the pandemic on group has been meeting fortnightly online instead

MINISTRY

“Ministry” is about the mission of the church to all those who meet on or use the halls for any reason other than worship. Usually these people meet Monday to Saturday. Social activities run by the church are included here as well.

The Church Development Worker

The Church Council has employed a Church Development Worker for the past 5 years. The aim was to develop new opportunities for the church to interact with people from the community and other local churches. A core task is to lead and coordinate the work of the Toddlers’ Group. This employment ended on 31 August 2021 and a new “Church Community Worker” is being sought.

Social Activities Group

The Church Council annually appoints a Social Activities Group to arrange occasional social activities and outings for Church Members, adherents and friends.

Church Community Groups:

The Friendship Café offers a social activity and café on Wednesdays.

The Online Learning Centre is a new group offering digital training to the community.

Toddlers’ Group offers mid-week activities for young children and their parents or carers on Monday and Thursday at 10.00 am.

Shamwari is a social group for members and adherents who normally live alone.

LOCAL AND WORLD MISSION

Local and World Mission is about the mission of the church to people and organisations who are outside the immediate vicinity of the church premises. This includes work in the local community, working with other Methodist churches in the Harrow and Hillingdon Circuit and working with churches of other denominations. It also includes fund raising and other work in support of local and national charities. The charities supported by the church are listed in the accounts.

The Local and World Mission Committee

The Church Council annually appointed a convenor and secretary for the Local and World Mission Committee to discuss and plan the mission of the church and also to decide which charities will receive annual donations from the church. Due to Covid restrictions this committee did not meet between September 2020 and August 2021. A modified church management structure is being tried for the coming year. (See “Achievements” report below).

ADMINISTRATION

The Finance and Property Committees functioned as a single committee during the year

The Finance Committee and the Church Treasurer

The Church Council annually appoints a church treasurer who keeps a record of all church income and expenditure and produces the Annual Accounts.

The Church Council annually appoints a Finance and Property Committee to work with the treasurer on the financial planning of the church and to maintain the buildings and property.

The Finance and Property Committee meets three times a year. The main sources of funds are weekly and monthly offerings, tax recoveries under Gift Aid, donations and some legacies. The church policy is to maintain in its General Reserve an amount equal to six months normal expenses.

The Church Council annually appoints two Property Stewards. The role of Lettings officer is to manage the letting of the premises to organisations who rent the premises for their own purposes. This role is now being carried out by the minister.

Achievements During The Year

During the financial year, 1 September 2020 – 31 August 2021, the Church Council met three times. (The January meeting was cancelled as we were in a lockdown due to Covid-19 and there was little activity to discuss)

The Church Council has appointed a Safeguarding Officer and the annual review of the church's Safeguarding policy took place in October 2020.

The following gives an indication of the work overseen or initiated by the Church Council during 1 September 2020 – 31 August 2021. For most of the financial year many church activities were curtailed due to the Covid pandemic and the consequent Government restrictions. These activities are expected to resume after September 2021.

Mission Plan: The church has produced a Mission Plan outlining the intended key activities for the year. The plan was on hold for most of the year up to August 2021. However, it was reviewed and now will be the basis of activity for the coming year.

Church Services: After a period of lockdown, the church restarted services from Sunday 6 September. However, Covid-19 restrictions were in place. There was no singing, socialising or after church coffee. Face masks were worn and track and trace recording was in place. After Christmas, due to the worsening pandemic situation, services were stopped again until Sunday 14 March. We were pleased that Easter services could be held this year, even although the Covid restrictions were still in place.

When all legal restrictions were removed on 19 July "normal" services were cautiously restarted but people were encouraged to keep wearing masks when attending.

There were 11 Sunday morning communion services with an average attendance of 50. Last year the average for just 5 services was 69. Seven of the 11 services had over 50 communicants.

Strict Covid guidelines were followed for the preparation and administering of communion. Members remained in their seats instead of coming to the communion rail.

This year, due to Covid restrictions, Wednesday communion services were not held. It is planned to restart these once per month from September 2021

There were no baptisms this year. Formally we still have a Young Church but it is currently not meeting.

Normally, a *Worship Forum* meets twice per year after a morning service. This year it was not possible to hold these meetings but it is planned to restart them soon.

Pastoral Committee Work: Pastoral visitors care for our members and adherents and distribute our church magazine. Their workload increased during lockdown periods as the pastoral leaders have to support the members, many of whom were shielding or self-isolating. Communication was maintained by telephone and social media as well as some "socially distant" visiting when it was allowed. The current membership of the church is 114 which is 6 lower than for the previous year.

Fellowship and discussion groups provide a means of sharing, discussion, bible study and prayer in people's homes. The *Afternoon House Group* and the *Evening House Group*, did not meet this year but an online Bible Study group met monthly.

The Wesley Guild did not meet at all this year but plans to restart in October 2021

The Social Activities Group did not arrange any outings or social events but hopes to plan events in the coming year.

Shamwari is a church group for people who live on their own. It too had to stop meeting but is restarting in the new year.

The Church Magazine, Dawn, which is normally published every other month, restarted with the October and December 2020 editions but was not produced in February. Since the April 2021 edition it has continued as normal.

Church Development Worker (CDW) ran the *Wednesday Friendship Café* and *The Toddlers' Group* on Mondays and Thursdays. These had to stop during the Covid crisis. However, Zoom

conference calls, social media and outdoor, socially distant meetings were used to enable members to keep in touch with each other.

During the year, together with a "Digital Ambassador" from the Enderley Road Patients' Association, the CDW set up an *Online Learning Centre*. This group offers digital skills training to local people who need access to government and health services which are available online, eg the NHS or surgery appointments. After several weeks of training, 20 students now know how to go online and find the support and resources that they need. It is hoped that more such courses will start in September, working with the NHS and designed especially for diabetic patients.

Together with *Harrow Citizens* the *Wealdstone Baby Bank* was started in April. This helps and supports young families by providing baby clothes and small items of baby equipment. It meets in the hall on Friday mornings from 10.00am – 12.00 noon.

The CDW, Kath Harrison, has now finished her employment and a new Church Community Worker is being sought to continue this work.

Charities supported and funds raised:

At Christmas 2020 the church raised a total of £1,124 for *Action for Children* from the annual gift service, the Christmas Card distribution, a church donation, home collecting boxes and socially distant carol singing outside the church.

The Annual Bread and Cheese Lunch was held as a "Take Away" as it was not possible to meet for lunch. This raised £265 for the *Centre Point* charity

Christian Aid Week collections were not held this year due to the virus restrictions but church members were encouraged to support the national appeals organised by the charity.

MHA: The annual envelope offering and box collection for Methodist Homes raised £538.67 including Gift Aid.

The church also donated £3,350 to our regular list of local and world charities, which enables us to help people on the margins of society in Harrow and in the wider world

A small team of members enables the church to support and promote *Fair Trade* by selling *Traidcraft* products. However, with services not being for much of the year, the level of activity was much lower.

The *Finance and Property Committees* has met three times during the year, sometimes by using online conference calls. The committee, including the treasurer who is also the Property Secretary, has maintained accounting records of the financial position of Wealdstone Methodist Church. (See attached accounts). Major financial decisions have to be approved by the Church Council.

Use of Premises by other Groups

The church sponsored Scout Group continued to meet on Friday evenings. However, the Brownies, like the Guides the previous year, have closed down due to low numbers.

The premises were let to various community groups: the Montrose Pre-School, a Parkinson's UK Group, the Harrow African Caribbean Association and a Kumon educational group. All of these groups had to be suspended for some time due to the crisis but are now restarting.

The premises are also let to other Christian denominations. *The Arise Church* has been meeting here for many years.

A new tenant is the *LifeSpring Romanian Fellowship Church*, which started in February 2021. Their use of the premises is proving to be significant in terms of the number of regular meetings each week. This is providing more income, offsetting some of the losses due to cancellations caused by Covid.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
For the year ended 31 August 2021
WEALDSTONE METHODIST CHURCH

in the
HARROW AND HILLINGDON CIRCUIT
OF THE LONDON DISTRICT no 35/36

Minister

The Rev. Stephen Poole

Senior Steward

Helen Riley

Church Stewards

Paul Phillips

Gilbert Sam (to 31st July 2021)

Church Secretary

David Milne

Treasurer

Malcolm Aldridge

Independent Examiner

Geoffrey Porter

Registered Charity No 1127748

TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2021

Introduction

The COVID-19 pandemic and consequential lockdown(s) from March 2020 has continued to adversely affect the financial position through the year 2020/21. Income from all sources has shown a slight improvement of 0.75% as compared with last year where income had reduced by 11%. There has been a more significant reduction in costs of 15% as compared with the previous year which has been the significant factor in the resultant out-turn of a £8,290 surplus. This surplus has been largely achieved by two new income streams from use of premises and the Legacy Project Fund supporting the Service and Missions donations. The church accounts are prepared on the receipts and payments method.

Income

The people at Wealdstone continue to be unfailingly generous in their financial support of the church and the various charitable projects for which support is sought either through special appeals. It is anticipated that financial support through regular coffee mornings will be able to recommence shortly. However, the effects of the pandemic have continued to have an impact on the finances of the church. Freewill offering has shown a significant improvement of 9.7% over the past 12 months but this needs to read against a general reduction in lettings income due as not all groups been able to meet. Income from Gift Aid has reduced by 2.2% compared with 2020.

Expenditure

Overall costs have remained within budget. The church has continued to maintain a significant number of donations to various good causes, local and wider, totalling £5,850, albeit a reduction of £5,325 from the previous year from the general income and the legacy projects fund. It must as always be acknowledged that such giving is only made possible through the many tasks undertaken by members and friends in the church without which significant higher costs would be incurred. Such service - some known, some unknown - continues to be a major contribution to the ongoing Christian witness in our community.

Legacies

No new Legacy funds have been received during the year. Legacy funds continue to be expended during the year with the transfer of funds to support the Service and Mission donations. Katharine Harrison, our Church Development Worker, has been employed since October 2016 and her salary costs continue to be funded from the Legacy Fund. Her employment has now ceased as she has moved away. A new Church Community Worker is being sought to continue the significant outreach work that has been achieved. The Church is extremely grateful for the generosity of members and the Church Council will continue to deliberate carefully to ensure that future decisions on expenditure from the fund are wisely made.

Moving forward

The budget for 2021/22 continues to contain an amount of uncertainty. It is hoped that some "normality" to church life will return. Assumptions have been made regarding freewill giving and lettings. At present, it is assumed a greater use of the premises through lettings will be achieved from September. The budget will be frequently monitored and, where necessary, adjustments made. There is no increase in the Fund for Ministry (Circuit Assessment) or the supply of gas and electricity this year. We have also reviewed the charges for the use of premises and increased, where appropriate, the letting charges for the coming year.

It is hoped that income from freewill offering and lettings will increase during the coming year. It is hoped that it may be possible to reinstate the Service and Mission and Property Budgets back to pre-pandemic levels.

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Notes to the Financial Statements for the Year ended 31 August 2021

1. Charitable Status

The Church is registered with the Charity Commission.

2. Basis of Accounting

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historic cost. The accounts show the receipts and payments for the year.

3. Funds

General Funds

The funds held constitute: Unrestricted Funds comprising General Funds held for any purpose of the charity and Designated Funds held for specific purposes of the charity laid down by the Church Council. Restricted Funds are held by the church for narrower purposes, and comprise the Benevolence Fund to meet cases of need and the funds of Organisations Reporting to Church Council. Funds collected for and paid over to External Organisations are also Restricted but these are not included in the SOFA or Balance Sheet. The church has had no Endowment Funds since August 2007.

4. Accounting policies

Incoming Resources

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

Other than the historic cost of the building, no Tangible Fixed Assets have been capitalised. The church premises and contents are held by the Church Council as Managing Trustees on behalf of the Custodian trustees, the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes. The buildings, contents and organ will be insured from renewal on 29th September 2021 for £3,478,999, £153,665 and £401,082 respectively representing the reinstatement cost, not historic cost less depreciation. The figures for 2020 were £3,352,001, £148,056 and £386,441.

Investment properties.

The church holds no investment properties.

Investments

The church holds no investments.

Loans

The church holds no loans from members or other sources.

5. Trustees

Three Trustees also fulfil organists duties and received payment against invoices in accordance with the rates given in Note 7 below totalling £924 (2020 £868). No other Trustees, or persons connected with them, received any remuneration or other benefits from the Church or any connected organisation as a result of their office during the year ended 31st August 2021 (2020 £Nil). Trustees are allowed to reclaim certain expenses incurred as a result of fulfilling their duties. The amount claimed during the year was £Nil. (2020 £Nil).

6. Fees for examination of the accounts

The Independent Examiner received no fees or expenses for reporting on the accounts. (2020 £Nil).

7. Paid employees

The church has one paid employee - the Church Development Worker - at a cost of £19,492, including pension payments, (2020 £18,965) in accordance with the contract and terms and conditions as agreed by Church Council. The only other persons to receive remuneration for their activities on behalf of the church were organists paid at the rate of £28 per service, at a total cost of £924 (2020, £28 & £896).

8. Capital Commitments

At the 31st August 2021 no capital commitments existed, (2020, £Nil).

9. Treasurer's Declaration

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of Wealdstone Methodist Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Malcolm Aldridge, Treasurer

Signed: 

Dated: 30/09/21

10. Declaration by the Chair of the Church Council

I confirm that the accounts will be presented to the Church Council which I intend to chair on 20th October 2021.

The Rev. Stephen Poole, Chair of the Church Council

Signed: 

Dated: 20.10.21.

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Balance Sheet detailed

	As at 31/08/2021	As at 31/08/2020
Fixed assets		
3001: Long Term Investments	—	—
3040: Church premises at historic cost	5,000.00	5,000.00
3041: Hall premises at historic cost	2,775.00	2,775.00
Total Fixed assets	7,775.00	7,775.00
Current assets		
5001: Barclays Current Account	13,949.58	6,943.74
5002: Lloyds Current Account	3,014.96	1,883.56
5004: Central Finance Board	48,580.60	42,670.53
5005: Scottish Widows Bank	—	—
5006: Cash in Hand - Luncheon Club	(0.01)	(0.01)
5007: Cash in Hand - Traidcraft	63.46	22.39
5008: Cash in Hand - Friendship Cafe	—	18.25
5009: Trustees For Methodist Church Purposes	68,754.65	93,773.90
5010: General debtors	—	—
5011: Fund for Ministry in advance	—	—
5012: Cash in Hand - Toddlers	18.00	—
5995: Debtors and creditors transfer account	—	—
5999: Agency transfer account	—	—
Z05: Accounts Receivable	—	—
Total Current assets	134,381.24	145,312.36
Liabilities		
6002: General Creditors	—	—
6699: Agency collections	(51.25)	—
Z04: Accounts Payable	—	—
Total Liabilities	(51.25)	—
Net Asset surplus (deficit)	142,207.49	153,087.36
Reserves		
Excess / (deficit) to date	(10,879.87)	(43,970.96)
Z01: Starting balances	153,087.36	197,058.32
Z02: Gains/(losses) on investment assets	—	—
Total Reserves	142,207.49	153,087.36

Represented by Funds		
Unrestricted	51,772.71	49,763.38
Designated	68,095.83	87,273.43
Restricted	22,338.95	16,050.55
Endowment	—	—
Total	142,207.49	153,087.36

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Statement of Financial Activities

For the period from 01 September 2020 to 31 August 2021

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Prior year total funds
Incoming resources					
Offerings and tax recoverable	54,130.65	12.75	—	54,143.40	50,527.22
Interest and investment income	370.15	—	—	370.15	1,359.23
Lettings	28,303.31	—	—	28,303.31	29,360.50
Other income	3,394.05	—	—	3,394.05	4,510.26
Internal organisations (income)	625.95	11,034.76	—	11,660.71	8,216.05
Legacies	—	—	—	—	—
Total income	86,824.11	11,047.51	—	97,871.62	93,973.26
Resources used					
Circuit assessment or share	45,980.00	—	—	45,980.00	44,714.00
Grants and donations	5,850.00	—	—	5,850.00	11,243.06
Repairs and maintenance	15,231.05	—	—	15,231.05	14,184.84
Utilities, insurances etc	10,658.08	—	—	10,658.08	10,549.65
Provisions	—	—	—	—	—
Other expenditure	5,504.09	—	—	5,504.09	6,427.37
Internal organisations (expenditure)	1,276.89	4,759.11	—	6,036.00	7,360.03
Legacy Projects	19,492.27	—	—	19,492.27	43,465.27
Total expenditure	103,992.38	4,759.11	—	108,751.49	137,944.22
Net income / (expenditure) resources before transfer	(17,168.27)	6,288.40	—	(10,879.87)	(43,970.96)
Transfers					
Gross transfers between funds - in	20,132.86	—	—	20,132.86	12,000.00
Gross transfers between funds - out	(20,132.86)	—	—	(20,132.86)	(12,000.00)
Other recognised gains / losses					
Gains / losses on investment assets	—	—	—	—	—
Gains on revaluation, fixed assets, charity's own use	—	—	—	—	—
Net movement in funds	(17,168.27)	6,288.40	—	(10,879.87)	(43,970.96)
Reconciliation of funds					
Total funds brought forward	137,036.81	16,050.55	—	153,087.36	197,058.32
Total funds carried forward	119,868.54	22,338.95	—	142,207.49	153,087.36

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Fund movement summary

Selected period: 01 September 2020 to 31 August 2021

Fund	Fund Balances brought forward	Incoming Resources	Outgoing Resources	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Journal Entries	Fund balances Carried forward
DHiggins - David Higgins (Young People) Fund	3,000.00	—	—	—	—	—	3,000.00
DiaComCI - Diabetes Community Club Fund	—	3,000.00	—	—	—	—	3,000.00
DIGTF - Digital Inclusion (Good Things Fdn) Fund	1,572.41	(1,572.41)	—	—	—	—	—
OnLearn - Online Learning Fund	—	8,972.41	3,782.40	—	—	—	5,190.01
Benevolenc - Benevolence Fund	931.37	12.75	—	—	—	—	944.12
Buildings - Church Buildings Fund	7,775.00	—	—	—	—	—	7,775.00
ChurchHols - Church Holiday Fund	617.45	—	—	—	—	—	617.45
DFleming - Dedrick Fleming Fund	393.96	—	—	—	—	—	393.96
FrCafePrj - Friendship Cafe/Project Fund	318.34	160.18	96.52	—	—	—	382.00
General - General fund	49,763.38	86,198.16	75,355.97	(8,832.86)	—	—	51,772.71
IntEve - International Evening Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
LegProj - Legacy Projects Fund	81,697.21	—	19,492.27	632.86	—	—	62,837.80
Organ - Organ Fund	2,000.00	—	—	—	—	—	2,000.00
Printing - Printing Fund	769.58	625.95	1,276.89	1,200.00	—	—	1,318.64
Property - Property Fund	2,688.06	—	7,867.25	7,000.00	—	—	1,820.81
Social - Social Activity Fund	276.88	—	—	—	—	—	276.88
Toddlers - Toddlers Fund	434.72	18.00	274.43	—	—	—	178.29
Traidcraft - Traidcraft Fund	730.42	456.58	605.76	—	—	—	581.24
Guild - Wesley Guild Fund	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
YoungCh - Young Church Fund	118.58	—	—	—	—	—	118.58
Totals	153,087.36	97,871.62	108,751.49	—	—	—	142,207.49

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Independent Examiner's report to the Trustees of Wealdstone Methodist Church

This report is on the Church Funds for the year ended 31 August 2021 which are set out on the accompanying pages 2-7 and is in respect of an examination carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011.

Respective responsibilities of the Church Council and the Examiner

As trustees, you are responsible for maintaining proper accounting records and the preparation of the appropriate accounts under section 130 of the Act. It is my responsibility to issue this report on those accounts in accordance with section 145 of the Act.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the Directions made under section 145 (5) (b) of the Act. This examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the Church Treasurer and a comparison of the accounts with those records. The procedures undertaken do not provide evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently I do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the accounts.

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 Act; and
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Acthave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should have been drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.
- (3) I have obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signed:

G. J. Porter

Dated:

29th September 2021

EARMARKED DONATIONS

The amounts raised for other charities and organisations, which do not form part of the Church's Income or Expenditure, were as follows:

Organisation	2020/21	2019/20
Action for Children	898.60	1,658.70
Akim Swedru Methodist Church, Ghana	-	180.00
All We Can	**235.00	**655.41
Centre Point	265.00	-
ChildAid to Eastern Europe	-	360.00
Christian Aid	536.50	408.20
Crisis at Christmas	-	141.85
Cystic Fibrosis Trust	-	183.00
Dementia UK	-	81.00
Firm Foundation	125.00	-
Friends of Amasango	-	201.00
Great Ormond Street Hospital	150.00	-
Harrow Foodbank	205.00	447.00
Harrow Young Carers	-	120.00
International Women's Aid to Mahaica Hospital (Leprosy Mission)	-	210.00
Karibuni Trust	-	119.00
Mary's Meals	-	73.50
MacMillan Cancer Relief	-	200.00
Methodist Homes (MHA)	*538.67	205.90
Methodist Wesley Guild	-	28.00
Methodist Church World Mission Fund (MWiB)		
Easter Offering)	*213.00	-
Moorfields Eye Hospital	-	200.00
Mufakose Methodist Church	-	300.00
Nigeria Health Care Project	-	152.00
RNLI	-	245.00
St Lukes Hospice	100.00	354.50
Traidcraft Exchange	-	2,000.00
Tree Aid (Circuit Services 29/09/19)	600.00	317.75
Work Aid	-	100.80
Zimbabwe Victims Support Fund	-	102.00
	£3,866.77	£9,044.61

*Includes Gift Aid reclaimed by WMC on behalf of the charity and added to the amount raised.

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