

FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1127814

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-02-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

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: Activities in accordance with the objectives of The Methodist Church - religious activities, and provides facilities for local community groups and clubs.

Classification

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

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£118,667	£109,263	-	-
2024-08-31	£91,416	£106,255	-	-
2023-08-31	£102,387	£88,267	-	-
2022-08-31	£85,757	£82,498	-	-
2021-08-31	£70,279	£71,861	-	-

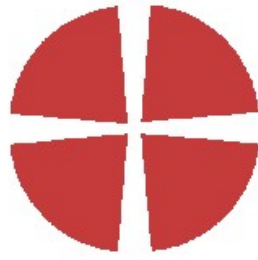
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Audrey Mann		2023-05-01
Catherine Ann Stevenson		2010-05-01
Christopher John Woodhams		2021-05-01
Edith Livingstone		2016-05-01
Heather Karen Murphy		2024-05-01
JILL ELIZABETH GROOM		
Jean Petter		
Kevin Foster		2016-05-01
LINDA JANE FOSTER BA PGCE		
Linda Woodhams		2023-05-01
Margaret Shepherd		2016-05-01
Margaret Wheeler		2018-05-01
Mark Stuart Brooks		2019-05-01
Michael John Petter		2016-02-01
Michael Shepherd		2016-05-01
NIGEL MARTIN COX BA HONS		
Peter Charles Moody		2020-05-01
ROBERTA WATSON		
Rachel Davies		2024-05-01
Rev Pauline Annette Crispin		2023-09-01
Robert Temple		2024-05-01
Sally Bland		2019-05-01
Simon Potter		2025-05-01

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended

31 AUGUST 2025

Objectives and activities

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Church Council Meeting has given careful consideration to the Charity Commissioners' general guidance on public benefit and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

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Fareham Methodist Church supports the advancement of the Christian Faith through ecumenical liaison with other Christian groups in Fareham.

Achievements and performance

Current year

Attendance at Sunday services runs at an average of approximately 60 per week, this was confirmed by way of a weekly count of attendees during October 2025. The majority of regular church attendees now donate by standing order which has meant that income from giving is now more predictable. There are a few who regularly use the card machine located in the Welcome Area. Church services are streamed to Youtube, these attract viewers of the 'Livestream' as well as people who view the service after the event.

Various weekday activities continue to take place in the life of the church with many offering outreach opportunities to the local community. This has become an increasingly important aspect of Church Life at Fareham. Mini Market on a Monday and Coffee Morning on a Thursday are vibrant outreach activities presenting an opportunity to engage in Christian conversations. The monthly Messy Church continued through the year although since the year end this activity is being re-designed to run during holiday periods only.

In December 2024 PV panels were placed on the roof of the Wickham Room. These started exporting energy in February. Also, in December an area of 'Green Roof' was installed over the vestry. Both of these contribute to the Church's reduced environmental impact. During the year, in recognition of this improvement, the Church was awarded Eco Church Bronze by A Rocha.

In the early part of this Church year two new large screens were installed at the front of the church. This now means that the centre drop down screen is only used for film evenings. As a result the stained glass window is now on view. In Spring 2025 the Church hosted Synod for the Southampton District. The event was a great success and the Trustees are grateful for the support received from volunteers from neighbouring churches in the circuit.

The Church continues to make donations to other charities and through social events raise money for various appeals.

Future years

- To continue to focus on mission activity as an open and inclusive church and lead new people into faith and so grow the number of Christians.
- To focus on worship and spiritual development and continue the use of technology to stream services to people who cannot access the premises
- To continue to work with Christians Together in Fareham to promote Christianity in the Borough.
- To provide pastoral support to those in need.
- To continue to demonstrate our commitment to improving the environment by using resources available through the Eco Church project.

Financial review

Income and expense

During the year the Church received total income of £118,667 (2023-24 £91,416) and made payments of £109,263 (2023-24: £106,255). No bequests were received in the year. Funds held at TMCP in Trust Number 21694 stands at £8,807. Total restricted reserves held in endowment funds at TMCP amount to £15,965. The interest from these funds is paid into the General Fund as it is received.

Unrestricted reserves carried forward were £100,830 (2024-25: £91,104). £1,175 of these reserves are restricted. £56,547 are designated: £500 for benevolence payments; £282 in an asylum fund; £9,214 in the Organ and Keyboard Fund; £35,000 in the Major Property Repair Fund; £2,744 bequests held within church accounts and £8,807 as bequests held at TMCP for longer term or specific use.

The trustees of the Church have every reason to believe that the Charity is a going concern, principally because the majority of the donated income is not reliant on attendance within the church building but is paid directly to the church accounts by standing order. There are no subsidiary undertakings. The proportion of income that is from lettings has reduced from previous years and the Trustees are aware that this income cannot be relied on as fully secure. However the Trustees are confident that there are sufficient reserves to cover any reduction in lettings in the medium term.

Remuneration policy

The church currently has two employees, a cleaner working 11 hours per week and a caretaker working 4 hours per week. Both posts are paid the Real Living Wage set annually by the Living Wage Foundation. Pay reviews are normally undertaken with effect from 1st April each year with rates set by the Managing Trustees at the Church Council prior to this date.

Investment Policy and Performance

To comply with Methodist Standing Orders, monies for long term investment are lodged with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP).

Short term deposits are lodged directly with the Central Finance Board (CFB) and attract interest. The Trustees are not minded to invest in higher risk funds.

Reserves level and policy

The General Fund contains five designated funds, the Benevolence Fund, a fund for Organ and Musical Instruments, a fund to support asylum seekers, a special projects fund, and a

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fund for Major Property Repair. It also contains restricted bequests held in the general account and unrestricted bequests held in Trust number 21694 at TMCP and in the church accounts.

- ❖ Since in accordance with its stewardship policy, the church does not take separate collections for benevolence, a benevolence reserve is maintained in the General Fund for disbursement at the discretion of the minister.
- ❖ Church Council agreed that the church should start to build up a reserve to go towards replacement of the organ and other major musical instruments in the future. The designation of this fund is Organ and Keyboard with an ultimate target fund of £20,000.
- ❖ The major property reserve was re-assessed in October 2021 and a target property reserve has been set at £40,000 to cover major repair, renewals and improvements not included in the operating costs of the Church. This is designated CAPEX within the budget set each year. There is budgeted expenditure in the next 12 months of £5,000. The Quinquennial did not indicate any short-term major spend requirements.
- ❖ Previous bequests held in church funds amount to £3,369.

Withdrawal of money from the Designated Funds, restricted and unrestricted bequests requires Manging Trustee approval.

The remainder of the funds are held as Free Reserves. The target is for free reserves to cover approximately 6 months of operating costs with a target range of 40%-60%

Designated Funds:

Benevolence	£ 500
Asylum fund	£ 282
Organ and Keyboard	£ 9,214
Major Property Repair (target £40k)	£35,000
Unrestricted bequests@ TMCP	£ 8,807
Unrestricted bequests held in accounts	£ 2,744
Restricted bequests/gifts not yet expended	£ 625

Free Reserve: £42,508 – 49.1%
operating costs

[forecast operating costs 2025/26 = £86,293]

Trustees' responsibilities

For each financial year ending on 31st August the Trustees are required to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees must:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently using the accruals method
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards
- prepare accounts to comply with the Charities SORP

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the law. They are also responsible for

safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The Church's policy is to adhere to the Methodist Church's policy on Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults. A Safeguarding Officer is appointed. The Circuit provides regular safeguarding training that can be accessed by the church as required. The Safeguarding Officer keeps records of training and ensures that this is up to date.

The Church does not hold any funds as custodian trustees on behalf of others.

Structure, governance and management

The Church is an unincorporated association and is governed by the Methodist Church Act 1976, the Deed of Union and the Model Trust Deeds of the Methodist Church and was registered with the Charity Commissioners on 2 February 2009. Prior to this the charity had an excepted registration.

Structure

The Church is one of a number that make up the East Solent and Downs Circuit.

The Circuit is the coordinating charity and pay the stipends of the ministers and employ lay staff to serve the Churches in the Circuit; most decisions are made at or ratified by the Circuit Meeting.

The Circuit is part of the Southampton District which is the coordinating charity for a group of contiguous Circuits. District decisions are made at the half yearly synod to which the Circuit appoints both lay and ordained representatives. The Methodist Conference meets once each year as the supreme denominational body for all Methodist Churches.

1. Overall regulatory authority rests with the Methodist Conference.
2. The Connexional Office implements decisions made by Conference and is also responsible for the stationing of presbyters and deacons (collectively known as ministers) in individual Circuits.
3. Connexional decisions are passed via Districts to Circuits for local implementation by the Superintendent Minister, ministerial staff and Circuit Stewards, and authority is delegated to the Circuit Meeting for certain matters.
4. The Circuit Meeting passes regulatory control down to Church Councils for local implementation by the presbyter, the Church Stewards, and other officers, and this regulatory authority is then exercised by Church Councils as Managing Trustees of their charity.

Governance

The Church operates within a statutory framework of regulation and seeks to ensure that it follows Methodist Standing Orders. It relies on the Connexional Office at 25 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9SF to provide guidance on changes that could affect the Church.

Reference and Administrative Details

Name of the charity

Fareham Methodist Church.

Charity registration number

1127814, registered in England and Wales

Principal Office

Fareham Methodist Church
Kings Road
Fareham
PO16 0NU

Minister with pastoral oversight

Revd Pauline Crispin

Church Treasurer

Mr Michael Petter

Names of trustees

The following served as trustees throughout part or all of the year 2024-25 or were trustees at the time of this report being approved:

Mrs	Sally	Bland	
Mr	Mark	Brooks	
Mr	Nigel	Cox	
Revd	Pauline	Crispin	
Mrs	Patricia	Crocker	
Ms	Rachel	Davies	
Mrs	Linda	Foster	
Mr	Kevin	Foster	
Mrs	Jill	Groom	
Mrs	Edith	Livingstone	
Mrs	Audrey	Mann	
Mr	Peter	Moody	
Mrs	Heather	Murphy	
Mrs	Jean	Petter	
Mr	Michael	Petter	
Mr	Robert	Temple	
Mr	Simon	Potter	
Mrs	Margaret	Shepherd	
Mr	Michael	Shepherd	
Mrs	Catherine	Stevenson	
Mrs	Roberta	Watson	
Mrs	Margaret	Wheeler	
Mr	Christopher	Woodhams	
Mrs	Lin	Woodhams	

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No trustee claims exemption from disclosure of his or her name here.

Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
9 Bonhill Street
London
EC2A 4PE

Investment managers and custodian trustees

Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
Central Buildings
Oldham Street
Manchester
M1 1JQ

Independent Examiner

Mrs Margaret Heathcote
19/21 High Street
Emsworth
Hants
PO10 7AQ

Approvals

The Trustees' Report and the Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council Meeting on 12th February 2026.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Fareham Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

East Solent & Downs	Circuit	Circuit no.	26/07
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1127814

If not a registered charity **His Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid number**

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(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Revd. Pauline Crispin

Church Stewards:

Mrs Jean Petter
Miss Rach Davies
Mrs Audrey Mann
Mr Chris Woodhams
Mr Michael Shepherd

Treasurer:

Mr Mike Petter

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds incl Trust No 21694	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	
a1	RECEIPTS	1				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		63,104		63,104	61,602
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		3,826		3,826	3,539
a4	Lettings		17,067		17,067	12,806
a5	Other receipts	2	34,670		34,670	13,469
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		118,667		118,667 (a7)	91,416

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		51,408		51,408	49,164
b3	Donations	3	2,623		2,623	3,375
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	4	9,078		9,078	24,959
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	5	13,166		13,166	12,547
b6	Caretaking & Cleaning	6	11,668		11,668	10,540
b7	Other payments	2	21,320		21,320	5,670
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		109,263		109,263 (b9)	106,255

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	9,404		9,404	(14,839)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		82,576	8,807	91,383 (c6)	105,943
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	91,980	8,807	100,787	91,104
c4	Transfers and adjustments				43 (c7)	279
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	91,980	8,807	100,830 (c8)	91,383 (c6)

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		1,107	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations incl TLC		3,392	3,517
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations incl TLC		3,349	2,410
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	1,150	1,107

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

SECTION E Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Flower Fund	20	192	(172)		345	173
e2 Friday Lunches	1,785	1,799	(14)		34	20
e3 Junior Church		3	(3)		174	171
e4 Mini Market	2,044	2,247	(203)		363	160
e5 Parent & Toddler	528	582	(54)		166	112
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	4,377	4,823	(446)		1,082 (e11)	636 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	118,667 (a7)	109,263 (b9)	9,404	43 (c7)	91,383 (c6)	100,830 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	123,044	114,086	8,958	43	92,465 (x)	101,466 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	22,179	38,804
f3 Bank Deposit Account	30,227	21,046
f4 Central Finance Board	30,170	32,173
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	8,807	8,807
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	91,383 (c6)	100,830 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	1,082 (e11)	636 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	92,465 (x)	101,466 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	15,965	15,965
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	3,426,350	3,542,825
g3 Other Assets	172,477	178,340
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 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 *mpetter* Date *12 Feb 2026*

Name and address of treasurer: Michael Petter.
4 Romyns Court, Fareham, PO14 1NB

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *P. Crispin*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *Rev. PAULINE CRISPIN* Date *12 Feb 2026*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Fareham Methodist Church

Charity Number 1127814

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the *FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH* Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 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.

* delete or circle as appropriate

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.

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 *M Heathcote*

Name of independent examiner *M V Heathcote*

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner *None*

Name of firm (where appropriate) *East Solent and Downs Methodist Circuit*

Address *19-21 High Street, Emsworth*

Post Code *PO10 7AP*

Date *10th December 2025*

* delete or circle as appropriate

Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2025

1. Both the General Fund and Trust No. 21694 are unrestricted.
Trust No. 21694 consists of Model Trust bequests.

2. **Other Receipts and Other Payments**

<u>Receipts</u>	Weekday activity	7133
	Mini market: £2392	
	Messy Church: £137	
	Holiday at Home: £258	
	Coffee Centre: £1950	
	Friday lunch: £890	
	parent & Toddler £120	
	Shirley stall £300	
	Bazaar: £910	
	Contactless £176	
	Organ & Keyboard fund donations	385
	Environmental fund	3767
	Sunday lunch donations	160
	Contactless	94
	Sunday coffee donations	150
	Env Grant	12734
	AV Grant	2000
	Asylum support	182
	Flower fund	50
	PRF refund	8000
	Other	15
		34670

<u>Payments</u>	Messy Church	166
	Copying, Copyright & Website	1367
	Environmental projects	15073
	AV projects	3969
	Bank & contactless fees	168
	Benevolence payments	95
	Other incl expenses	482
		21320

3. **Donations**

Advance payment Gift Aid	128
World Missions	800
Mission in Britain	500
Fund for the Support of Presbyters and Deacons	250
Fund for human need	200
BRF	200
Friends of homeless in Fareham	200
Christians Together in Fareham	195
Masonic car parking	150
	2623

4. **Repairs**

Boiler service & repair	340
Fire alarm and extinguishers	280
Electrical work & certification	4155
AST Door entry system & repairs to doors	1315
Sound desk screens	248
New fridge	289
New water heater	408
Blind in church	86
Carpet cleaner	93
Decoration	1601
Plumbing repairs	132
General repairs <£75	131
	9078

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Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2025 continued

5	Utilities	Broadband	440	
		Gas	1944	
		Electricity	6794	
		BT	62	
		Insurance	3926	
				13166
6	Caretaking and cleaning			
		Wages	9779	
		Janitorial supplies	729	
		PHS	940	
		Window clean	220	
				11668
7.	General Fund at 31st August 2025			
		Running Costs Reserve	42508	
		Benevolence Reserve	500	
		Asylum Fund	282	
		Organ & Keyboard reserve	9214	
		Environmental Fund	0	
		Major Repairs Reserve	35000	
		Unrestricted bequests @ TMCP	8807	
		Unrestricted bequests in account	2744	
		Restricted bequests in account	625	
		Restricted fund TLC	1150	
				100830
8.	Appeals for External Organisations			
		Action for Children	1018	
		All We Can	629	
		Youth Options	316	
		Two Saints	195	
		Christian Aid Week	255	
		Step by Step collected TLC	900	
		World Mission Fund JMA	36	
				3349
9.	The investment shown in Section G is Trust No. 17856 and Trust No. 22184 with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (Charity No. 1136358).			
10.	The Buildings and "other assets" (contents and organ) are valued at the sums for which they are insured. The sums insured are increased annually according to appropriate indices.			

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The new heating management system has provided a more effective management of heating controls within the building. As it is linked to the room booking system appropriate heating is now provided automatically which has reduced significantly the management burden on Church volunteers.

In the early part of this Church year a new audio and visual system was installed. This is a significant improvement on the previous system. The new system enables streaming of high quality pictures and sound. It also provides a better quality of amplified sound within the church building. The majority of the cost of the new system was covered by bequests received over recent years together with a substantial grant received from the Circuit.

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The Church operates within a statutory framework of regulation and seeks to ensure that it follows Methodist Standing Orders. It relies on the Connexional Office at 25 Tavistock Place, London WC1H 9SF to provide guidance on changes that could affect the Church.

Reference and Administrative Details

Name of the charity

Fareham Methodist Church.

Charity registration number

1127814, registered in England and Wales

Principal Office

Fareham Methodist Church
Kings Road
Fareham
PO16 0NU

Minister with pastoral oversight

Revd Pauline Crispin

Church Treasurer

Mr Michael Petter

Names of trustees

The following served as trustees throughout part or all of the year 2023-24 or were trustees at the time of this report being approved:

Mrs	Sally	Bland	
Mr	Mark	Brooks	
Mr	Nigel	Cox	
Revd	Pauline	Crispin	
Mrs	Patricia	Crocker	
Ms	Rachel	Davies	
Mrs	Linda	Foster	
Mr	Kevin	Foster	
Mrs	Jill	Groom	
Mrs	Shirley	Henderson	
Mrs	Julie	Kettle	
Mrs	Edith	Livingstone	
Mrs	Audrey	Mann	
Mr	Peter	Moody	
Mrs	Heather	Murphy	
Mrs	Jean	Petter	
Mr	Michael	Petter	
Mr	Robert	Temple	
Mrs	Margaret	Shepherd	
Mr	Michael	Shepherd	
Mrs	Catherine	Stevenson	
Mrs	Roberta	Watson	
Mrs	Margaret	Wheeler	
Mr	Christopher	Woodhams	
Mrs	Lin	Woodhams	

No trustee claims exemption from disclosure of his or her name here.

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Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
9 Bonhill Street
London
EC2A 4PE

Investment managers and custodian trustees

Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
Central Buildings
Oldham Street
Manchester
M1 1JQ

Independent Examiner

Mrs Joanne Gregory
19/21 High Street
Emsworth
Hants
PO10 7AQ

Approvals

The Trustees' Report and the Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council Meeting on 23rd January 2025.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Fareham Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2024

East Solent & Downs	Circuit	Circuit no.	26/07
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1127814

If not a registered charity **Her Majesty's Revenue and
Customs Gift Aid number**

(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Revd. Pauline Crispin

Church Stewards:

Mrs Maggie Wheeler

Mrs Jill Groom

Miss Rach Davies

Mrs Audrey Mann

Mr Chris Woodhams

Mrs Jean Petter

Treasurer:

Mike Petter

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds incl Trust No 21694	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	1				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		61,602		61,602	59,620
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		3,539		3,539	2,308
a4	Lettings		12,806		12,806	13,564
a5	Other receipts	2	13,469		13,469	26,895
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		91,416		91,416 (a7)	102,387
SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		49,164		49,164	46,815
b3	Donations	3	3,375		3,375	3,019
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	4	24,959		24,959	12,316
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	5	12,547		12,547	11,808
b6	Caretaking & Cleaning	6	10,540		10,540	9,457
b7	Other payments	2	5,670		5,670	4,852
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		106,255		106,255 (b9)	88,267
SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(14,839)		(14,839)	14,120
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		97,136	8,807	105,943 (c6)	91,819
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	82,297	8,807	91,104	105,939
c4	Transfers and adjustments		279		279 (c7)	4
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	82,576	8,807	91,383 (c8)	105,943 (c6)
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					
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations				2,410	2,436
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				2,410	2,436
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)					

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**SECTION E**Please follow the **Guidance Notes to complete this page**

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Flower Fund	205	108	97		249	346
e2 Friday Lunches	1,835	1,820	15		19	34
e3 Junior Church	200	56	144		30	174
e4 Mini Market	1,981	1,807	175		188	363
e5 Parent & Toddlers	401	388	13		153	168
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	4,622	4,180	443		639 (e11)	1,082 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	91,416 (a7)	106,255 (b9)	(14,839)	279 (c7)	105,943 (c6)	91,383 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	96,038	110,435	(14,396)	279	106,582 (x)	92,465 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	52,798	22,179
f3 Bank Deposit Account		30,227
f4 Central Finance Board	44,338	30,170
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	8,807	8,807
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	105,943 (c8)	91,383 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	639 (e11)	1,082 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	106,582 (x)	92,465 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	15,965	15,965
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	3,339,511	3,426,350
g3 Other Assets	168,106	172,477
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board


f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Charity Number 1127814

Declaration by Treasurer

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  Date 23-1-25

Name and address of treasurer Mike Petter
4 Romyns Court Fareham PO14 1NB

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 23rd January 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting  Date 23-1-25

Name of the Chair of the meeting Revd Pauline Crispin

FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH

Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2024

1. Both the General Fund and Trust No. 21694 are unrestricted. Trust No. 21694 consists of Model Trust bequests.

2. Other Receipts and Other Payments

<u>Receipts</u>	Weekday activity	5,114
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Mini market: £1098		
Messy Church: £171		
Holiday at Home: £303		
Coffee Centre: £605		
Friday lunch: £1160		
Funeral payment £878		
Shirley stall £200		
Bazaar: £699		

Organ & Keyboard fund donations		805
Environmental fund		250
Sunday lunch donations		469
Sunday coffee donations		220
Bequests(Law, Baily, Guest)		5,575
Donation for TV		400
Asylum support		359
Other		277

		13,469
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<u>Payments</u>		
Messy Church		286
Copying, Copyright & Website		2,314
New copier		2,256
Bank & contactless fees		128
Benevolence payments		262
Other incl expenses		424

		5,670
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3 Donations

Advance payment Gift Aid		185
World Missions		1,000
Mission in Britain		600
Fund for the Support of Presbyters and Deacons		300
Fund for human need		250
BRF		250
Friends of homeless in Fareham		250
Christians Together in Fareham		190
Junior Church		200
Fareham Masonic Club (for use of car park)		150

		3,375
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4 Repairs

Boiler service		230
Fire extinguishers		100
Fire alarm service		260
Smoke head relocation		90
Electrical testing (5 year)		960
Electrical work & certification		5,441
Network reconfigure		227
AST Door entry system		372
AV system incl screens and monitors		16,866
General erepairs <£75		413

		24,959
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Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2024 continued

5	Utilities	Broadband	362	
		Gas	999	
		Electricity	7,291	
		BT	62	
		Insurance	3,833	12,547
6	Caretaking and cleaning			
		Wages	8,720	
		Janitorial supplies	738	
		PHS	863	
		Window clean	220	
				10,540
7.	General Fund at 31st August 2024			
		Running Costs Reserve	42,249	
		Benevolence Reserve	500	
		Asylum Fund	100	
		Organ & Keyboard reserve	8,829	
		Environmental Fund	250	
		Major Repairs Reserve	27,000	
		Unrestricted bequests @ TMCP	8,807	
		Unrestricted bequests in account	2,744	
		Restricted bequests in account	625	
				91104
8.	Appeals for External Organisations			
		Action for Children	698	
		Youth Options	290	
		Comic Relief	165	
		Christian Aid Week	390	
		Basics Bank	243	
		Step by Step	593	
		World Mission Fund JMA	30	
				2410.00
9.	The investment shown in Section G is Trust No. 17856 and Trust No. 22184 with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (Charity No. 1136358).			
10.	The Buildings and "other assets" (contents and organ) are valued at the sums for which they are insured. The sums insured are increased annually according to appropriate indices.			

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Accounts



Fareham Methodist Church

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended

31 AUGUST 2023

Objectives and activities

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Church Council Meeting has given careful consideration to the Charity Commissioners' general guidance on public benefit and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

Our Mission as a local church of the East Solent and Downs Circuit is to pursue the mission of God through worship, learning and caring, service and evangelism.

This is done for as many people as possible within the Fareham area through the provision of Christian Worship, spiritual development and pastoral care both to church members and to the wider communities in which the church is located.

Fareham Methodist Church supports the advancement of the Christian Faith through ecumenical liaison with other Christian groups in Fareham.

Achievements and performance

Current year

The year started in September 2022 with the news that a long hire by the Trinity Pre-School would cease as the Pre-School was closed by its Trustees due to its non-viability. Although this outcome was expected it had a major effect on letting income during the financial year 2022-2023. It has not been possible to find an equivalent replacement hire resulting in income from lettings being £5,600 lower than the previous year.

Attendance at Sunday services normalised at an average of approximately 65 per week. The majority of regular church attendees now donate by standing order which has meant that income from giving is now more predictable. Church services are normally streamed onto Facebook enabling a number of people who were unable to get back to church to enjoy feeling part of the service through the live stream.

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Faced with increasing energy costs the Managing Trustees approved the installation of a heating management system. The system was installed in May 2023 so there has been no data available during this financial year to demonstrate its effectiveness. Benefits have been seen, however, in the management of hall hire and control of use of the various rooms.

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Fareham Methodist	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
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Mike Petter

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds incl Trust No 21694	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	
a1	RECEIPTS	1				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		59,619		59,619	57,806
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		2,308		2,308	236
a4	Lettings		13,564		13,564	19,147
a5	Other receipts	2	26,891	4	26,895	8,568
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		102,383	4	102,387 (a7)	85,757

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		46,815		46,815	47,306
b3	Donations	3	3,019		3,019	10,805
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	4	12,316		12,316	2,361
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	5	11,808		11,808	9,052
b6	Caretaking & Cleaning	6	9,457		9,457	10,155
b7	Other payments	2	4,852		4,852	2,819
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		88,267		88,267 (b9)	82,498

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	14,116	4	14,120	3,259
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		83,016	8,803	91,819 (c6)	87,830
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	97,132	8,807	105,939	91,089
c4	Transfers and adjustments		4		4 (c7)	730
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	97,136	8,807	105,943 (c8)	91,819 (c6)

SECTION D			
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d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	2,436	1,967
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	2,436	1,967
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Flower Fund	95	25	70		179	249
e2 Friday Lunches	1,415	1,419	(4)		23	19
e3 Junior Church	100	88	12		18	30
e4 Mini Market	1,657	2,663	(1,006)		1,194	188
e5 Parent & Toddlers	372	420	(48)		201	153
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	3,639	4,615	(976)		1,615 (e11)	639 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	102,387 (a7)	88,267 (b9)	14,120	4 (c7)	91,819 (c6)	105,943 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	106,025	92,882	13,144	4	93,434 (x)	106,582 (y)
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 2023**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	30,828	52,798
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	52,188	44,338
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	8,803	8,807
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	91,819 (c6)	105,943 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	1,615 (e11)	639 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	93,434 (x)	106,582 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	15,947	15,965
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	3,242,246	3,339,511
g3 Other Assets	166,136	168,106
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH

Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2023

1. Both the General Fund and Trust No. 21694 are unrestricted. Trust No. 21694 consists of Model Trust bequests.

2. Other Receipts and Other Payments

<u>Receipts</u>	Weekday activity	6,535
	Mini market: £2609	
	Messy Church: £123	
	Holiday at Home: £127	
	Shirley's Stall: £600	
	Coffee Centre: £545	
	Friday lunch: £710	
	Fashion show: £759	
	Film night: £245	
	Bazaar: £775	
	Organ & Keyboard fund donations	830
	Sunday lunch donations	792
	Sunday coffee donations	215
	Bequests(Long, Bright, Wheeler, Bashforth)	9,700
	Grants from circuit	6,094
	Hampshire Historic Churches	215
	Asylum support	567
	Other	208
	Claire Gift donation	1,620
	Claire party donations	115
		26,891

<u>Payments</u>		
	Messy Church	343
	Copying, Copyright & Website	1,709
	Bank fees	78
	Benevolence payments	295
	Claire gift	1,620
	Claire party	470
	Other incl expenses	337
		4,852

3 Donations

Advance payment Gift Aid	208
World Missions	900
Mission in Britain	550
Property Fund	450
Ministers' Housing Society	220
Fund for the Support of Presbyters and Deacons	85
Leaders of Worship and Preachers' Trust	85
MWIB	250
Christians Together in Fareham	50
Fareham Masonic Club (for use of car park)	120
	3,018

4 Repairs

Boiler service	177
Fire extinguishers	100
Fire alarm service	321
General electrical	142
Decorate Large Hall	1,158
Computer upgrade	364
Defib pads	68
New heater control system	9,874
General expenses <£110	109
	12,315

FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH
Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2023 continued

5	Utilities	Broadband	298	
		Gas	796	
		Electricity (now on quarterly paymer)	6,914	
		BT	65	
		Insurance	3,733	11,807
6	Caretaking and cleaning	Wages	7,759	
		Janitorial supplies	534	
		PHS	785	
		Window clean	220	
		Trade Waste	159	
				9,457
7.	General Fund at 31st August 2023	Restricted grant from circuit	5,000	
		Running Costs Reserve	40908	
		Benevolence Reserve	500	
		Major Repairs Reserve	31000	
		Organ & Keyboard reserve	8024	
		Unrestricted bequests @ TMCP	8807	
		Unrestricted bequests in account	11700	105939
8.	Appeals for External Organisations	Action for Children	461.25	
		All We Can	691.10	
		Ukraine Christians	563.00	
		Christian Aid Week	205.15	
		Children in Need	241.00	
		Step by Step	247.50	
		World Mission Fund JMA	26.87	
				2435.87
9.	The investment shown in Section G is Trust No. 17856 and Trust No. 22184 with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (Charity No. 1136358).			
10.	The Buildings and "other assets" (contents and organ) are valued at the sums for which they are insured. The sums insured are increased annually according to appropriate indices.			

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the
Fareham Methodist Church
Charity Number 1127814**

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Fareham Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 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.

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.

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 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 J Gregory

Name of independent examiner ... MRS JOANNE GREGORY

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner /

Name of firm (where appropriate) /

Address ... ~~H Wess~~ 19/21 High Street Emsworth

..... Hants Post Code PO10 7AQ

Date 7/01/2024

Charity Number 1127814

Declaration by Treasurer

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 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 *myfetter* Date *7th Dec 2023*

Name and address of treasurer Mike Petter
4 Romyns Court Fareham PO14 1NB

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on *18th January 2024*

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *P. Crispin* Date *18-01-2024*

Name of the Chair of the meeting Revd Pauline Crispin

FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH

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Accounts



Fareham Methodist Church

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended

31 AUGUST 2022

Objectives and activities

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Church Council Meeting has given careful consideration to the Charity Commissioners' general guidance on public benefit and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

Our Mission as a local church of the East Solent and Downs Circuit is to pursue the mission of God through worship, learning and caring, service and evangelism.

This is done for as many people as possible within the Fareham area through the provision of Christian Worship, spiritual development and pastoral care both to church members and to the wider communities in which the church is located.

Fareham Methodist Church supports the advancement of the Christian Faith through ecumenical liaison with other Christian groups in Fareham.

Achievements and performance

Current year

The year started in September 2021 with fewer restrictions in place for church services. Although many members have returned to church there is a small group who continue to use Zoom to access the Sunday Service. During the year the posting of recorded services on the web site stopped reflecting the increased number of people in the building and the consequent challenges obtaining permissions under the data protection regulations.

Most user groups have returned to the building and income from lettings is more inline with pre 2020 levels. There is concerns that numbers returning to the Trinity Pre-school have not recovered and there is an ongoing concern regarding the viability of this group. (Post year note: Trinity Pre-school closed in September 2022) Some new user groups are now using the building with a great variety of events ranging from Yoga to Singing to the local Scout Marching Band!

Like many charities the Church has been subjected to significant increases in energy costs. Whilst we are currently protected from increases in gas prices by a current fixed price deal the increase in electricity has been significant. The property team are actively looking at measures to reduce consumption and make the heating system more efficient.

The Church continues to make donations to other charities and through social events raise money for various appeals.

Future years

- To continue to focus on mission activity that will lead new people into faith and so grow the number of Christians.
- To focus on worship and spiritual development and continue the use of technology to stream services to people who cannot access the premises

- To continue to work with Christians Together in Fareham to promote Christianity in the Borough.
- To provide pastoral support to those in need.

Financial review

Income and expense

During the year the Church received total income of £85,757 (2020-21: £70,279) and made payments of £82,498 (2020-21: 71,861). Bequests were received in the year totalling £1,000 and these are held in the church accounts. Funds held at TMCP in Trust Number 21694 stands at £8,803. Total restricted reserves held in endowment funds at TMCP amount to £15,667. The interest from these funds is paid into the General Fund as it is received.

Unrestricted reserves carried forward were £91,089` (2020-21: £87,830). £51,497 of these reserves are designated: £500 for benevolence payments; £7,194 in the Organ and Keyboard Fund; £33,000 in the Major Property Repair Fund; £2,000 bequests held within church accounts and £8,803 as bequests held at TMCP for longer term or specific use.

The trustees of the Church have every reason to believe that the Charity is a going concern, principally because the majority of the donated income is not reliant on attendance within the church building but is paid directly to the church accounts by standing order. There are no subsidiary undertakings. A significant proportion of income is from lettings and the Trustees are aware that this income cannot be relied on as fully secure, especially as the cost of living crisis potentially affects user groups. However the Trustees are confident that there are sufficient reserves to cover any reduction in lettings in the medium term.

Remuneration policy

The church currently has one employee, a cleaner working 11 hours per week. The cleaner post is paid at the Real Living Wage set annually by the Living Wage Foundation. Pay reviews are normally undertaken with effect from 1st April each year with rates set by the Managing Trustees at the Church Council prior to this date.

Investment Policy and Performance

To comply with Methodist Standing Orders, monies for long term investment are lodged with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP).

Short term deposits are lodged directly with the Central Finance Board (CFB) and attract interest. The Trustees are not minded to invest in higher risk funds.

Reserves level and policy

The General Fund contains three designated funds, the Benevolence Fund, a fund for Organ and Musical Instruments and a fund for Major Property Repair. It also contains unrestricted bequests held in Trust number 21694 at TMCP and in the church accounts.

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- ❖ Since in accordance with its stewardship policy, the church does not take separate collections for benevolence, a benevolence reserve is maintained in the General Fund for disbursement at the discretion of the minister.
- ❖ Church Council agreed that the church should start to build up a reserve to go towards replacement of the organ and other major musical instruments in the future. The designation of this fund is Organ and Keyboard with an ultimate target fund of £20,000.
- ❖ The major property reserve was re-assessed in October 2021 and a target property reserve has been set at £40,000 to cover major repair, renewals and improvements not included in the operating costs of the Church. This is designated CAPEX within the budget set each year. There is budgeted expenditure in the next 12 months of £20,000. The Quinquennial did not indicate any short-term major spend requirements however there is a requirement to undertake a major refurbishment of the Large Hall to improve it for letting. The Trustees are also looking to install an energy management system to help reduce the consumption of electricity and gas for heating purposes.
- ❖ Bequests were received in 2021-2022.

Withdrawal of money from the three Designated Funds and unrestricted bequests requires Managing Trustee approval.

The remainder of the funds are held as Free Reserves. The target is for free reserves to cover approximately 6 months of operating costs with a target range of 40%-60%

Designated Funds:

Benevolence	£ 500
Organ and Keyboard	£ 7,194
Major Property Repair (target £40k)	£33,000
Unrestricted bequests @ TMCP	£ 8,803
Unrestricted bequests held in accounts	£ 2,000

Free Reserve: £39,592 - 51%
operating costs [forecast operating costs 2022/23 = £78,650]

Trustees' responsibilities

For each financial year ending on 31st August the Trustees are required to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees must:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently using the accruals method
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards
- prepare accounts to comply with the Charities SORP

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and

hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The Church's policy is to adhere to the Methodist Church's policy on Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults. A Safeguarding Officer is appointed. The Circuit provides regular safeguarding training that can be accessed by the church as required. The Safeguarding Officer keeps records of training and ensures that this is up to date.

The Church does not hold any funds as custodian trustees on behalf of others.

Structure, governance and management

The Church is an unincorporated association and is governed by the Methodist Church Act 1976, the Deed of Union and the Model Trust Deeds of the Methodist Church and was registered with the Charity Commissioners on 2 February 2009. Prior to this the charity had an excepted registration.

Structure

The Church is one of a number that make up the East Solent and Downs Circuit.

The Circuit is the coordinating charity and pay the stipends of the ministers and employ lay staff to serve the Churches in the Circuit; most decisions are made at or ratified by the Circuit Meeting.

The Circuit is part of the Southampton District which is the coordinating charity for a group of contiguous Circuits. District decisions are made at the half yearly synod to which the Circuit appoints both lay and ordained representatives. The Methodist Conference meets once each year as the supreme denominational body for all Methodist Churches.

1. Overall regulatory authority rests with the Methodist Conference.
2. The Connexional Office implements decisions made by Conference and is also responsible for the stationing of presbyters and deacons (collectively known as ministers) in individual Circuits.
3. Connexional decisions are passed via Districts to Circuits for local implementation by the Superintendent Minister, ministerial staff and Circuit Stewards, and authority is delegated to the Circuit Meeting for certain matters.
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a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		227	9	236	113
a4	Lettings		19,147		19,147	12,589
a5	Other receipts	2	8,568		8,568	1,548
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		85,748	9	85,757 (a7)	70,279

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		47,306		47,306	47,328
b3	Donations	3	10,805		10,805	2,722
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b6	Caretaking & Cleaning	6	10,155		10,155	6,852
b7	Other payments	2	2,805	14	2,819	2,384
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		82,484	14	82,498 (b9)	71,861

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	3,264	(5)	3,259	(1,582)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		79,022	8,808	87,830 (c6)	89,332
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	82,286	8,803	91,089	87,750
c4	Transfers and adjustments		730		730 (c7)	80
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e1 Flower Fund	146	31	115		64	179
e2 Friday Lunches	464	565	(101)		124	23
e3 Junior Church		74	(74)		92	18
e4 Tuesday Ladies Club (included in church accounts)						
e5 Mini Market	1,243	1,630	(387)		1,581	1,194
e6 Parents & Toddlers	407	594	(187)		398	201
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	2,260	2,894	(634)		2,249 (e11)	1,615 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	85,757 (a7)	82,498 (b9)	3,259	730 (c7)	87,830 (c6)	91,819 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	88,017	85,392	2,625	730	90,079 (x)	93,434 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	21,035	30,828
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	57,987	52,188
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	8,808	8,803
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	87,830 (c6)	91,819 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	2,249 (e11)	1,615 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	90,079 (x)	93,434 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1 Investments (include Endowments) Note 9	15,967	15,947
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value) Note 10	2,839,117	3,242,246
g3 Other Assets	145,480	166,136
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Name of Church ... FAREHAM METHODIST No. 1127814

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2022 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 My Petter Date 19th January 2023

Name and address of treasurer MIKE PETTER
..... 4 ROMYNS COURT FAREHAM Post Code PO14 1NB

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 19th January 2023

Signature of the Chair of the meeting C. Simpson

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev. CLARE SIMPSON Date 19/1/2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

..... FAREHAM METHODIST Church

Charity Number 1127814

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the FAREHAM METHODIST Church for the year ended 31 August 2022 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.

* delete or circle as appropriate

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Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2022

1. Both the General Fund and Trust No. 21694 are unrestricted. Trust No. 21694 consists of Model Trust bequests.

2.	Other Receipts and Other Payments		
	Receipts	Weekday activity (Messy Ch, Coffee , Friday lunch)	2,968
		Organ & Keyboard fund donations	1,160
		Donations to Weddings/funerals	349
		Gift Day	2,122
		Sunday lunch donations	690
		Donation inmemory A Long	1,000
		Other	280
			8,569
	Payments	Messy Church	425
		Copying, Copyright & Website	1,902
		Bank fees	94
		Jubilee Tree	125
		Other	260
			2,805
3	Donations		
		Ministry Pension Reserve Fund	8,000
		World Missions	900
		Mission in Britain	550
		Property Fund	450
		Ministers' Housing Society	220
		Fund for the Support of Presbyters and Deacons	85
		Leaders of Worship and Preachers' Trust	85
		MWIB	250
		Christians Together in Fareham	0
		BRF Messy Church	146
		Fareham Masonic Club (for use of car park)	120
			10,806
4	Repairs		
		Boiler service	150
		Fire extinguishers	100
		Sound system	336
		Door auto entry system	434
		Decorate Welcome Area	140
		New heaters Welcome Area	643
		Electrical work	286
		General expenses <£100	272
			2,381
5	Utilities		
		Gas	716
		Electricity	4,957
		BT	62
		Insurance	3,318
			9,052
6	Caretaking and cleaning		
		Wages	8,960
		Janitorial supplies	731
		PHS	679
		Window clean	220
		Trade Waste	307
		Job retention scheme payments	-743
			10,154

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Notes accompanying Accounts for Year ended 31st August 2022 continued

7. General Fund at 31st August 2022
- | | | |
|----------------------------------|-------|-------|
| Running Costs Reserve | 39592 | |
| Benevolence Reserve | 500 | |
| Major Repairs Reserve | 33000 | |
| Organ & Keyboard reserve | 7194 | |
| Unrestricted bequests @ TMCP | 8803 | |
| Unrestricted bequests in account | 2000 | 91089 |
8. Appeals for External Organisations
- | | | |
|--------------------------|---------|------|
| Action for Children | 356.10 | |
| All We Can | 1077.20 | |
| British Heart Foundation | 75.00 | |
| Christian Aid Week | 226.50 | |
| Gift for Caretaker | 205.00 | |
| World Mission Fund JMA | 27.27 | 1967 |
9. The investment shown in Section G is Trust No. 17856 and Trust No. 22184 with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (Charity No. 1136358).
10. The Buildings and "other assets" (contents and organ) are valued at the sums for which they are insured. The sums insured are increased annually according to appropriate indices.

FAREHAM METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1127814

Accounts



Fareham Methodist Church

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

for the year ended

31 AUGUST 2021

Objectives and activities

In setting our objectives and planning our activities, the Church Council Meeting has given careful consideration to the Charity Commissioners' general guidance on public benefit and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

Our Mission as a local church of the East Solent and Downs Circuit is to pursue the mission of God through worship, learning and caring, service and evangelism.

This is done for as many people as possible within the Fareham area through the provision of Christian Worship, spiritual development and pastoral care both to church members and to the wider communities in which the church is located.

Fareham Methodist Church supports the advancement of the Christian Faith through ecumenical liaison with other Christian groups in Fareham.

Achievements and performance

Current year

The year started in September 2020 with restricted numbers allowed in church for services. The stewards instigated a booking system with many church members continuing to partake online through Zoom. Hybrid services combining online with physically in the church building have continued and will continue into the future. Weekly services are recorded and access is provided to these. DVD copies were provided to people unable to access online.

Various user groups have come back to using the building. The Trinity pre-school has kept going although numbers have been reduced. Slimming World and Yoga restarted using the building but some groups were unable to continue. This has meant that lettings income has been significantly reduced on previous years.

Thankfully the government's job retention scheme has provided support so that the two employees could continue in their roles. Careful management of the premises has ensured that there has been no deterioration to the fabric of the building through the period of reduced use.

At the start of the year procedures were put in place to provide one-way systems and social distancing. Even though some of these restrictions have eased the church retained a number of the measures as best practice.

Although income has been significantly reduced the church has continued to be able to make donations to various other charities and appeals.

Future years

- To continue to focus on mission activity that will lead new people into faith and so grow the number of Christians.
- To focus on worship and spiritual development and continue the use of technology to stream services to people who cannot access the premises

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- To continue to work with Christians Together in Fareham to promote Christianity in the Borough.
- To provide pastoral support to those in need.

Financial review

Income and expense

During the year the Church received total income of £70,279 (2019-20: £88,113) and made payments of £71,861 (2019-20: 87,855). No bequests were received and £1,400 was drawn down to cover the costs of a new computer, camera and microphones. Funds held at TMCP in Trust Number 21694 stands at £8,808. Total restricted reserves held in endowment funds at TMCP amount to £15,967. The interest from these funds is paid into the General Fund as it is received.

Unrestricted reserves carried forward were £87,830 (2019-20: £89,332). £48,342 of these reserves are designated: £500 for benevolence payments; £6,034 in the Organ and Keyboard Fund; £25,000 in the Major Property Repair Fund; £8,000 set aside for contribution to the Methodist Church Pension Reserve Fund; £8,808 as bequests held at TMCP for longer term or specific use.

(Nb. In the first meeting of Trustees after the end of the year it was agreed to reduce the Major Property Repair Fund and set these monies aside as a donation to the Methodist Church Pension Reserve Fund – this is reflected in the reserves described above.)

The trustees of the Church have every reason to believe that the Charity is a going concern, principally because the majority of the donated income is not reliant on attendance within the church building but is paid directly to the church accounts by standing order. There are no subsidiary undertakings. The restriction in use of the church building occasioned by Covid-19 restrictions has significantly reduced the income from lettings. The Trustees anticipate that this reduction will reverse to some extent in 2021-2022 but perhaps not return to pre-Covid levels until the following year. The Trustees are confident that there are sufficient reserves to cover this situation.

Remuneration policy

The church currently has two employees, a caretaker working 6 hours per week and a cleaner working 11 hours per week. The cleaner post is paid at the Real Living Wage set annually by the Living Wage Foundation. The caretaker post is paid at a rate above this base level. Pay reviews are undertaken with effect from 1st April each year with rates set by the Managing Trustees at the Church Council prior to this date.

Investment Policy and Performance

To comply with Methodist Standing Orders, monies for long term investment are lodged with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP).

Short term deposits are lodged directly with the Central Finance Board (CFB) and attract interest. The Trustees are not minded to invest in higher risk funds.

Reserves level and policy

The General Fund contains three designated funds, the Benevolence Fund, a fund for Organ and Musical Instruments and a fund for Major Property Repair. It also contains unrestricted bequests held in Trust number 21694 at TMCP.

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- ✓ Since in accordance with its stewardship policy, the church does not take separate collections for benevolence, a benevolence reserve is maintained in the General Fund for disbursement at the discretion of the minister.
- ✓ Church Council agreed that the church should start to build up a reserve to go towards replacement of the organ and other major musical instruments in the future. The designation of this fund is Organ and Keyboard with an ultimate target fund of £20,000.
- ✓ The major property reserve was re-assessed in October 2021 and reduced. This enabled £8,000 to be released for a donation to the Pension Reserve Fund of the Connexion. The target property reserve has been reduced to £40,000 to cover major repair, renewals and improvements not included in the operating costs of the Church. This is designated CAPEX within the budget set each year. There is budgeted expenditure in the next 12 months of £0. The Quinquennial did not indicate any short-term major spend requirements. Two new heaters were fitted in the church. It is anticipated that the remaining 4 will need replacement over the next few years at a cost of approximately £8000.
- ✓ No bequests were received in 2020-2021.

Withdrawal of money from the three Designated Funds and unrestricted bequests requires Manging Trustee approval.

The remainder of the funds are held as Free Reserves. The target is for free reserves to cover approximately 6 months of operating costs with a target range of 40%-60%

Designated Funds:

Benevolence	£ 500
Organ and Keyboard	£ 6,034
Major Property Repair (target £40k)	£25,000
Unrestricted bequests	£ 8,808
Money set aside for donation to PRF	£ 8,000

Free Reserve: £39,488 - 51% operating costs [forecast operating costs 2021/22 = £76,999]

Trustees' responsibilities

For each financial year ending on 31st August the Trustees are required to prepare financial statements that give a true and fair view of the Church's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees must:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently using the accruals method
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent
- follow applicable accounting standards
- prepare accounts to comply with the Charities SORP

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Church and enables them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the law. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Church and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

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Safeguarding children and vulnerable adults. The Church's policy is to adhere to the Methodist Church's policy on Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults. A Safeguarding Officer is appointed. The Circuit provides regular safeguarding training that can be accessed by the church as required. The Safeguarding Officer keeps records of training and ensures that this is up to date.

The Church does not hold any funds as custodian trustees on behalf of others.

Structure, governance and management

The Church is an unincorporated association and is governed by the Methodist Church Act 1976, the Deed of Union and the Model Trust Deeds of the Methodist Church and was registered with the Charity Commissioners on 2 February 2009. Prior to this the charity had an excepted registration.

Structure

The Church is one of a number that make up the East Solent and Downs Circuit.

The Circuit is the coordinating charity and pay the stipends of the ministers and employ lay staff to serve the Churches in the Circuit; most decisions are made at or ratified by the Circuit Meeting.

The Circuit is part of the Southampton District which is the coordinating charity for a group of contiguous Circuits. District decisions are made at the half yearly synod to which the Circuit appoints both lay and ordained representatives. The Methodist Conference meets once each year as the supreme denominational body for all Methodist Churches.

1. Overall regulatory authority rests with the Methodist Conference.
2. The Connexional Office implements decisions made by Conference and is also responsible for the stationing of presbyters and deacons (collectively known as ministers) in individual Circuits.
3. Connexional decisions are passed via Districts to Circuits for local implementation by the Superintendent Minister, ministerial staff and Circuit Stewards, and authority is delegated to the Circuit Meeting for certain matters.
4. The Circuit Meeting passes regulatory control down to Church Councils for local implementation by the presbyter, the Church Stewards, and other officers, and this regulatory authority is then exercised by Church Councils as Managing Trustees of their charity.

Governance

The Church operates within a statutory framework of regulation and seeks to ensure that it follows Methodist Standing Orders. It relies on the Connexional Office at 25 Marylebone Road, London NW1 5JR to provide guidance on changes that could affect the Church.

Reference and Administrative Details

Name of the charity

Fareham Methodist Church.

Charity registration number

1127814, registered in England and Wales

Fareham Methodist Church
Year ended 31 August 2021

Principal Office

Fareham Methodist Church
Kings Road
Fareham
PO16 0NU

Minister with pastoral oversight

Revd Claire Simpson

Church Treasurer

Mr Michael Petter

Names of trustees

The following served as trustees throughout part or all of the year 2020-21 or were trustees at the time of this report being approved:

Mrs	Brenda	Bennett	
Mrs	Sally	Bland	
Mr	Mark	Brooks	
Mr	Nigel	Cox	
Mrs	Patricia	Croker	
Mrs	Linda	Foster	
Mr	Kevin	Foster	
Mrs	Jill	Groom	
Mrs	Shirley	Henderson	
Mr	Antony	Hollinghurst	Deceased 29 th October 2021
Mr	Anthony	Jackson	
Mrs	Edith	Livingstone	
Mr	Peter	Moody	
Mrs	Jean	Petter	
Mr	Michael	Petter	
Mrs	Jillian	Race	
Mrs	Margaret	Shepherd	
Mr	Michael	Shepherd	
Revd.	Claire	Simpson	
Mrs	Catherine	Stevenson	
Mrs	Roberta	Watson	
Mrs	Margaret	Wheeler	
Mr	Andrew	Wilcock	
Mrs	Elizabeth	Wilcock	
Mr	Christopher	Woodhams	Appointed 1 st May 2021
Mrs	Linda	Young	

No trustee claims exemption from disclosure of his or her name here.

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Bankers

CAF Bank Ltd
25 Kings Hill Avenue
Kings Hill
West Malling
Kent
ME19 4JQ

Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
9 Bonhill Street
London
EC2A 4PE

Investment managers and custodian trustees

Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
Central Buildings
Oldham Street
Manchester
M1 1JQ

Independent Examiner

Mrs Joanne Gregory
19/21 High Street
Emsworth
Hants
PO10 7AQ

Approvals

The Trustees' Report and the Financial Statements were approved by the Church Council Meeting on 20th January 2022.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Fareham Methodist	Church
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2021**

East Solent & Downs	Circuit	Circuit no	26/07
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number	1127814
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If not a registered charity Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid number	
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(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242)

Minister:

Revd Claire Simpson

Church Stewards:

Mrs Maggie Wheeler
Mrs Jill Groom
Mrs Brenda Bennett
Mr Mike Shepherd
Mr Chris Woodhams

Treasurer:

Mr Mike Petter

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Trust No 21694	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	56,029		56,029	59,236
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	113		113	507
a4	Lettings	12,589		12,589	18,421
a5	Other receipts	1,548		1,548	9,949
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	70,279		70,279 (a7)	88,113
SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	47,328		47,328	50,430
b3	Donations	2,722		2,722	4,496
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	2,073		2,073	9,235
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	10,502		10,502	10,788
b6	Caretaking & Cleaning	6,852		6,852	9,752
b7	Other payments	2,384		2,384	3,154
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	71,861		71,861 (b9)	87,855
SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(1,582)	(1,582)	258
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	79,125	10,207	89,332 (c6)	89,409
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	77,543	87,750	89,667
c4	Transfers and adjustments	1,479	(1,399)	80 (c7)	(335)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	79,022	8,808	87,830 (c8)
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			£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			36	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			4	4,858
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			40	4,822
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)			36

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

SECTION E Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Flower Fund	10	16	(6)		70	64
e2 Friday Lunches					124	124
e3 Junior Church		20	(20)		112	92
e4 Ladies Night		350	(350)		444	94
e5 Mini Market					1,581	1,581
e6 Parents & Toddlers	9	24	(15)		403	388
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	19	410	(391)		2,734 (e11)	2,343 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	70,279 (a7)	71,861 (b8)	(1,582)	80 (c7)	89,332 (c6)	87,830 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	70,298	72,271	(1,973)	80	92,066 (x)	90,173 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2021

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	14,659	21,035
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	84,801	57,987
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	10,207	8,808
f6 Other funds	(335)	
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	89,332 (c6)	87,830 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	2,734 (e11)	2,343 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	92,066 (x)	90,173 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re insurance value)		
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Name of Church FAREHAM METHODIST No. 1127814

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 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  Date 20-1-2022

Name and address of treasurer
Mike Petter
4 Romyns Court, Fareham, PO14 1NB

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 20th January 2022

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Date 23-01-2022

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Fareham Methodist Church

Charity Number 1127814

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Fareham Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 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').

Name of Church Fareham Methodist

No 1127814

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:

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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 J Gregory

Name of independent examiner MRS JOANNE GREGORY

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner /

Name of firm (where appropriate) /

Address 19/21 High Street, Emsworth, Hants

Post Code PO10 7AQ

Date 3rd January 2022

* delete or circle as appropriate

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