

Guisborough Methodist Church (including Hinton Court)

ANNUAL REPORT 2022 - 2023

Guisborough Methodist Church is part of the Cleveland and Danby Circuit, which includes thirteen Churches/Fellowships. The Circuit lies within the Darlington District of the Methodist Church of Great Britain.

Mission Statement

Our mission statement continues to be focused on the initial letters of **G**uisborough **M**ethodist **C**hurch, namely.

Growing in God

Moving in the Spirit

Centred on Christ

This statement is designed to encourage spiritual growth as Christians, and our mission to serve the community in which we are placed. This mission is now incorporated into our Church Logo, publicity material.



The Nature of the Local Church - Standing Order 600

'The Church exists to exercise the whole ministry of Christ. The local Church, with its membership and larger Church community, exercises this ministry where it is and shares in the wider ministry of the Church in the world. In this one ministry worship, fellowship, pastoral care, mission and service are essential elements. Administration and training enable their fulfilment. In the Methodist Church these various tasks are undertaken by the local Church, through its Church Council and committees, in union with the ministry of the Circuit of which it is a constituent. It is represented in the Circuit Meeting and represents it locally. It engages in ecumenical work including, where appropriate, the support of ecumenical housing associations.'

The Church Council is constituted to unite those who hold responsibility in the Church in one working community. It has the authority, as trustees, to take decisions for the Church and to manage its affairs to this end. It has the authority and oversight over the whole area of the ministry of the Church, including the management of its property.

The senior leadership team of the church, including the minister, and appointed Church Stewards, meets regularly to both deal with the day-to-day running of Guisborough Methodist Church, and look at the strategic and spiritual leadership issues that arise, namely,

- To uphold and act upon the decisions and policies of the Church Council, including furthering the mission of the church and its 'fruitfulness'.
- To influence and empower church members engaging in the full range of the church's life and activity.

Vision / Direction

The vision of the church is that "Guisborough Methodist Church is a place where all people can discover a relationship with God through Christ; a place where they can discover their gifts and calling and then are empowered by the Spirit (and our Church) to fulfil that calling in offering God's love to each other and the world".

We want GMC to be a safe place where people can come and receive a welcome knowing that they are valued and loved by God and the church family.

It is a justice-seeking church that strives to be inclusive. For example, the church council voted to allow same sex marriages to take place at GMC, our minister Rev Kevin Highfield is registered to undertake such marriages and this is one example of the church reaching out to be more inclusive whilst at the same time adhering to our Christian faith and principles of love the Lord you God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. Love your neighbour as you love yourself.

Church Life during 2022/23

2022 through to 2023 has been a very busy and active period in the life of the church. We have seen the level of activities get back to before COVID levels with weekly Saturday coffee mornings enabling the church to connect with the public on a more informal level and consequently, we have seen an increase in people wanting to be part of the GMC fellowship.

The church is open every day and is a valued and active part of the community of Guisborough.

Groups that meet in the church are:

U3a singing for pleasure, youth groups Gener8 (8-11year olds) and Credo (11/14-year-olds), Guisborough photo group, Community shop (run by the Guisborough Bridge providing free food for those in need), Guisborough Arts Club, Mother and toddler group, Nurture nest (mothers and babies), Paws choice (dog training), Good neighbours (supporting families with transport, shopping etc), Coffee Mornings, Women's Fellowship, Private parties,

Worship Services take place weekly at 10:30 am on a Sunday, every 2nd and 4th Sunday is a Cafe style service, there is a weekly prayer meeting and the usual Weddings, Funerals, and baptisms. There are several active house groups providing support to individuals and encouraging spiritual and personal growth. At GMC we continue to provide an online house group for those who are unable to get out to people's home or who prefer this type of group. Services also take place at Hinton Court which is a Methodist Homes establishment, these services are on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month.

Finance

The church family are looking at new ways to develop the building to make it more usable for the progress and development of the church family and the needs of the community. The church has instructed a surveyor to identify what options and possibilities there are and to advice on a way

forward to meet the ever changing and developing need of a changing church family and local community.

Financially the church is thankful to the generosity of its members and adherents and income derived from rentals. GMC has a healthy income however our building is expensive to run, and efforts have been made to reduce costs for example we have changed all our lights to LED and we have a more efficient heating timer. During the winter months we met in the downstairs hall which did contribute to significant savings on our energy use which helped the church finances and reduced the impact on global warming by reducing our use of gas and electricity. This might seem like a small effort, but it all adds up and all helps to reduce our carbon footprint.

More detailed information on the church finances can be seen on the treasurers' report attached to this document. The church finances, as will be seen from the finance summaries ended the year in a reasonably healthy state.

The Ongoing Mission and Life of Guisborough Methodist Church

Looking forward, the Church leadership continues to look at and support the church family being able to fully join together, to enjoy the worship, singing, teaching and fellowship etc which is so much the part of the Church and Christian life. Pro-actively maintaining the community of the Church's congregation and friends is a high priority.

Our mission and vision remain that Guisborough Methodist Church will be a place where people can safely discover a relationship with God through Jesus Christ; a place where they can discover their gifts and calling and then are empowered by the Holy Spirit (and our Church) to fulfil that calling in offering God's love to each other and the world.

The methods, whereby we seek to fulfil this, will undoubtedly change, and develop, with God's guidance and inspiration through prayer and the active involvement of the Holy Spirit.

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Guisborough Methodist

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2023

Cleveland & Danby	Circuit	Circuit no	13/07
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Sheila Crossman	
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Christine Smith	
Isabel Stuart	Senior Steward

Treasurer:

Jason Griffiths

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

		Notes to the accounts (page 5 and 6)	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds (inc Internal Organisations & Charities) Note 1	Endowment Funds @ TMCP	Total 2022-23	Total 2021-22
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2019		OPENING BALANCES (1/9/22)		CLOSING BALANCES (31/8/23)	
f1	Cash in hand			-	
f2	Bank Current Account	65,397.69		64,840.59	
f3	Bank Deposit Account	-		-	
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f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	66,038.16		65,280.30	
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total see note 1) (it1)	915.42	(it1)	758.31	(it1)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	66,953.58	25	66,038.61	26

		At	At
		1 September 2022	31 August 2023
OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES			
g1	Investments	-	-
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	2,976,875.00	3,399,565.00
g3	Other Assets	83,246.00	95,066.00
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	-	-
g5	Other Liabilities	-	-

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Restricted Funds analysis

Notes

Note 1:-

	INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adj/Transfers	Opening Balances (1/9/22)	Closing Balances (31/8/23)
1	Flower Fund	250.00	536.18	(286.18)	250.00	178.34	142.16
2	Tuesday Toddlers	250.38	397.51	(147.13)		506.18	359.05
3	Tuesday MwiB (Tuesday at 8)	630.45	-	630.45	(459.45)	63.77	234.77
4	Womens Fellowship	843.69	988.49	(144.80)		167.13	22.33
5				-			
6				-			-
7				-			-
8				-			-
9				-			-
	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,974.52	1,922.18	52.34	(209.45)	915.42	io1 758.31

	Restricted Funds	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening Balances (1/9/22)	Closing Balances (31/8/23)
1							-
2	Benevolence fund in GA	-	-	-		433.20	433.20
4	Flower Fund in GA				(250.00)	230.80	(19.20)
6	Good Neighbours in GA	80.00	80.00	-		702.31	702.31
7	Tuesday MWiB in GA	-	400.00	(400.00)	309.45	107.00	16.45
8	Youth & Childrens Fund in GA		513.97	(513.97)		16,312.61	15,798.64
9			-	-			-
	Sub total of Restricted funds	80.00	993.97	(913.97)	59.45	17,785.92	16,931.40

	Charities	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening Balances (1/9/22)	Closing Balances (31/8/23)
1	World Mission Fund	313.25	313.25	-		-	-
2	Funeral Collections	1,381.86	1,381.86	-		-	-
3				-		-	-
4				-		-	-
5				-		-	-
6				-		-	-
7				-		-	-
8				-		-	-
9				-		-	-
	Sub total of Charities	1,695.11	1,695.11	-	-	-	-

Total Restricted Funds	3,749.63	4,611.26	(861.63)	(150.00)	18,701.34	17,689.71
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Notes on Receipts**1 Donations**General Fund
Legacy**Total****2021/22****2022/23**

292.82

1,081.35

292.82**1,081.35****2 Offerings and Tax Recovered**Collections - Unrestricted
Tax refund - Unrestricted
GASDS Tax Refund
Collections - Restricted
Tax refund - Restricted**Total****2021/22****2022/23**

56,168.67

57,269.79

11,581.79

12,247.17

102.98

67,853.44**69,516.96****3 Lettings**Church Premises
Aislaby Court**Total****2021/22****2022/23**

4,054.00

11,610.00

4,427.60

3,814.64

8,481.60**15,424.64****4 Grants from District/Circuit**Connexion Grant to LW Fund
District Grant to LW Fund
Circuit Grant to LW Fund
Circuit Grant for Live Streaming costs**2021/22****2022/23**

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Total		-	-
5	Fund Raising	2021/22	2022/23
	Coffee Mornings	2,102.28	2,416.85
	Sunday Coffee	-	4.50
	Fund Raising events	430.12	581.78
	Fund Raising for Charities	-	
	Other Fund Raising	82.40	
	Total	2,614.80	3,003.13
6	Other Receipts	2021/22	2022/23
	Internal Organisation receipts	2,468.72	1974.52
	LW Account - local grants etc		
	Printing & copying	150.48	106.10
	Books & magazines etc		
	Benevolence Fund	-	-
	Other Restricted Funds	70.80	80.00
	Others	1,193.10	1,695.11
	Total	3,883.10	3,855.73

Notes on Expenditure

7	Maintenance	2021/22	2022/23
	Repairs	6,443.16	8,085.72
	Equipment renewal	2,909.76	2,086.76
	Cleaning	7,968.01	8,541.84
	Total	17,320.93	18,714.32
8	Insurance and Utilities	2021/22	2022/23
	Insurance	3,588.35	4,090.17
	Electricity	2,003.58	2,547.68
	Gas	5,899.82	7,560.49
	Water	10.00	195.03
	Telephone/WIFI	649.44	528.00
	Total	12,151.19	14,921.37

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9 Worship Expenses

2020/21	2022/23
-	-
Copyright/Licence exps	607.17
Others	170.99
Total	778.16
	825.27

10 Funds passed to other Charities

2020/21	2022/23
Funeral Collections for Charities	993.10
Methodist Charities	8,196.40
Other Charities	-
Total	9,189.50
	1,695.11

11 Other outgoings

2021/22	2022/23
Internal Organisation exps	2,090.12
Fruitful/Mission Expenses	28.99
Catering etc	477.02
Stationery & Admin	
Youth Fund costs	416.96
Bank Charges	293.71
Others	789.69
Total	4,096.49
	4,059.95

Name of Church Guisborough Methodist Church**MEMBERSHIP OF CHURCH COUNCIL 31 August 2023****Minister :-** Rev Kevin Highfield

Stewards :- Pat Anderson Secretary to Church Council
 Dorothy Brown
 Sheila Crossman Hinton Court/Secretary to Resources Committee
 Bob Rogers
 Christine Smith
 Isabel Stuart Senior Steward
 Jason Griffiths

Treasurer :- Jason Griffiths**Property Secretary :-****Secretary to Church Council :-** Pat Anderson**General Church Meeting Appointees :-** In addition to the above

Mel Bradley Youth Work
Rachael Cort Prayer Co-ordinator
Ken Darragh Gift Aid Secretary/Good Neighbours
John Harrison Circuit Representative
Juanita Osborne Junior Church co-ordinator
Roma Ross MWIB/Keyholders
Jenny Tyrie Bookings
Sally Wardell Safeguarding officer

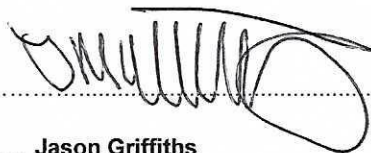
Elaine Brough	Church Life Rep	Linda Lister	Church Life Rep
Michel Cort	Church Life Rep	Richard Osborne	Church Life Rep
Shona Joselin	Church Life Rep	Ruth Todd	Church Life Rep
Chris Hume	Church Life Rep	Joyce Turner	Church Life Rep

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Declarations and Scrutiny

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



Date 25/10/23

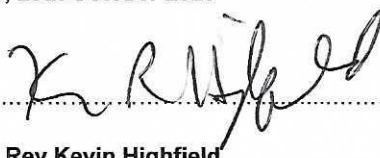
Name and address of treasurer **Jason Griffiths**

..... **11 Swallow Close Guisborough TS14 8HL**

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 will be presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on **Wednesday, 25th October 2023**

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting **Rev Kevin Highfield**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Guisborough Methodist Church

Charity Number **1128499**

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Guisborough Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 1 to 7. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

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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 

Name of independent examiner **Mr R E N Shawcross**

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner **FCA**

Name of firm (where appropriate) **N/A**

Address **2 Devon Crescent, Skelton,**

..... Post Code **TS12 2BS**.....

Date 

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RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of

Guisborough Methodist Church

(*Church Council/ ~~Circuit Meeting~~/District)

To

Cleveland and Danby Circuit

(*Circuit Meeting/District)

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Methodist Conference and the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (i) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (ii) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Report/s

- (iii) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out overleaf and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and our Annual Report

- (iv) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion

- (v) Our Report is attached overleaf

* please delete as appropriate

To be completed by Receiving Body

The

*Circuit Meeting/District received the RESERVES POLICY of

*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District

Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees

YES ☐ / NO ☐

Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees

Responses received and any further action taken

*Circuit/District

Signatures

Date.....

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RESERVES POLICY of

Guisborough Methodist Church(*Church Council ☒ Circuit Meeting ☐/District ☐)

1.	General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023	£ 48,335.12
2.	Restricted Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023	£ 16,931.40
3.	Endowment Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023	£ 13.78

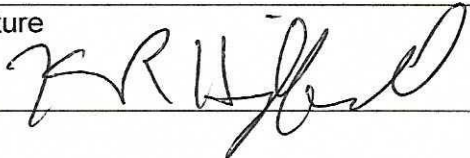
4. **Reserves policy for General Funds**

- Through stewardship of God's resources, we will aim to ensure that there are adequate reserves to meet anticipated needs of the Fellowship, but also trusting in God's provision where necessary.
- In line with the Circuit reserves policy, we will ensure that there are normally at least unrestricted reserves available equivalent to 15% of projected annual expenditure, this is approximately equivalent to 1.8 months/7.8 weeks of normal expenditure

5. **Policy for Restricted Funds**

- Ensure that reserves raised for specific external charities etc. are paid/transferred at the earliest opportunity, generally within one month.

6. **Terms relating to Endowment Funds held**This Reserves Policy has been approved by **Guisborough Methodist Church Council 25/10/2023**(*Church Council ☒/Circuit Meeting ☐/District ☐)

Treasurer	Trustee/Chair of the Meeting
Full name Mr Jason M Griffiths	Full Name Rev Kevin Highfield
Signature 	Signature 

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	INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adj/Transfers	Opening Balances (1/9/22)	Closing Balances (31/8/23)
1	Flower Fund	250.00	536.18	(286.18)	250.00	178.34	142.16
2	Tuesday Toddlers	250.38	397.51	(147.13)		506.18	359.05
3	Tuesday MwiB (Tuesday at 8)	630.45	-	630.45	(459.45)	63.77	234.77
4	Womens Fellowship	843.69	988.49	(144.80)		167.13	22.33
5				-			
6				-			-
7				-			-
8				-			-
9				-			-
	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,974.52	1,922.18	52.34	(209.45)	915.42	io1 758.31

	Restricted Funds	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening Balances (1/9/22)	Closing Balances (31/8/23)
1							-
2	Benevolence fund in GA	-	-	-		433.20	433.20
4	Flower Fund in GA				(250.00)	230.80	(19.20)
6	Good Neighbours in GA	80.00	80.00	-		702.31	702.31
7	Tuesday MWiB in GA	-	400.00	(400.00)	309.45	107.00	16.45
8	Youth & Childrens Fund in GA		513.97	(513.97)		16,312.61	15,798.64
9				-			-
	Sub total of Restricted funds	80.00	993.97	(913.97)	59.45	17,785.92	16,931.40

	Charities	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening Balances (1/9/22)	Closing Balances (31/8/23)
1	World Mission Fund	313.25	313.25	-		-	-
2	Funeral Collections	1,381.86	1,381.86	-		-	-
3				-		-	-
4				-		-	-
5				-		-	-
6				-		-	-
7				-		-	-
8				-		-	-
9				-		-	-
	Sub total of Charities	1,695.11	1,695.11	-	-	-	-

Total Restricted Funds	3,749.63	4,611.26	(861.63)	(150.00)	18,701.34	17,689.71
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Guisborough Methodist Church

Notes on Receipts**1 Donations**General Fund
Legacy**Total****2021/22****2022/23**

292.82

1,081.35

292.82**1,081.35****2 Offerings and Tax Recovered**Collections - Unrestricted
Tax refund - Unrestricted
GASDS Tax Refund
Collections - Restricted
Tax refund - Restricted**Total****2021/22****2022/23**

56,168.67

57,269.79

11,581.79

12,247.17

102.98

67,853.44**69,516.96****3 Lettings**Church Premises
Aislaby Court**Total****2021/22****2022/23**

4,054.00

11,610.00

4,427.60

3,814.64

8,481.60**15,424.64****4 Grants from District/Circuit**Connexion Grant to LW Fund
District Grant to LW Fund
Circuit Grant to LW Fund
Circuit Grant for Live Streaming costs**2021/22****2022/23**

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Total		-	-
5	Fund Raising	2021/22	2022/23
	Coffee Mornings	2,102.28	2,416.85
	Sunday Coffee	-	4.50
	Fund Raising events	430.12	581.78
	Fund Raising for Charities	-	
	Other Fund Raising	82.40	
	Total	2,614.80	3,003.13
6	Other Receipts	2021/22	2022/23
	Internal Organisation receipts	2,468.72	1974.52
	LW Account - local grants etc		
	Printing & copying	150.48	106.10
	Books & magazines etc		
	Benevolence Fund	-	-
	Other Restricted Funds	70.80	80.00
	Others	1,193.10	1,695.11
	Total	3,883.10	3,855.73

Notes on Expenditure

7	Maintenance	2021/22	2022/23
	Repairs	6,443.16	8,085.72
	Equipment renewal	2,909.76	2,086.76
	Cleaning	7,968.01	8,541.84
	Total	17,320.93	18,714.32
8	Insurance and Utilities	2021/22	2022/23
	Insurance	3,588.35	4,090.17
	Electricity	2,003.58	2,547.68
	Gas	5,899.82	7,560.49
	Water	10.00	195.03
	Telephone/WIFI	649.44	528.00
	Total	12,151.19	14,921.37

Name of Church **Guisborough Methodist Church****9 Worship Expenses**

2020/21	2022/23
-	-
Copyright/Licence exps	607.17
Others	170.99
Total	778.16

10 Funds passed to other Charities

2020/21	2022/23
Funeral Collections for Charities	993.10
Methodist Charities	8,196.40
Other Charities	-
Total	9,189.50

11 Other outgoings

2021/22	2022/23
Internal Organisation exps	2,090.12
Fruitful/Mission Expenses	28.99
Catering etc	477.02
Stationery & Admin	330.17
Youth Fund costs	242.71
Bank Charges	416.96
Others	293.71
Total	4,096.49

Name of Church Guisborough Methodist Church**MEMBERSHIP OF CHURCH COUNCIL 31 August 2023****Minister :-** Rev Kevin Highfield

Stewards :-	Pat Anderson	Secretary to Church Council
	Dorothy Brown	
	Sheila Crossman	Hinton Court/Secretary to Resources Committee
	Bob Rogers	
	Christine Smith	
	Isabel Stuart	Senior Steward
	Jason Griffiths	

Treasurer :- Jason Griffiths**Property Secretary :-****Secretary to Church Council :-** Pat Anderson**General Church Meeting Appointees :-** In addition to the above

Mel Bradley	Youth Work
Rachael Cort	Prayer Co-ordinator
Ken Darragh	Gift Aid Secretary/Good Neighbours
John Harrison	Circuit Representative
Juanita Osborne	Junior Church co-ordinator
Roma Ross	MWIB/Keyholders
Jenny Tyrie	Bookings
Sally Wardell	Safeguarding officer

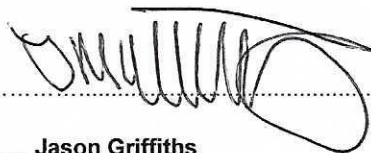
Elaine Brough	Church Life Rep	Linda Lister	Church Life Rep
Michel Cort	Church Life Rep	Richard Osborne	Church Life Rep
Shona Joselin	Church Life Rep	Ruth Todd	Church Life Rep
Chris Hume	Church Life Rep	Joyce Turner	Church Life Rep

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Declarations and Scrutiny

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



Date 25/10/23

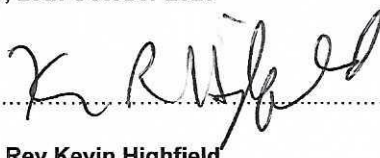
Name and address of treasurer **Jason Griffiths**

..... **11 Swallow Close Guisborough TS14 8HL**

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 will be presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on **Wednesday, 25th October 2023**

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting **Rev Kevin Highfield**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Guisborough Methodist Church

Charity Number **1128499**

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Guisborough Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 1 to 7. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

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Name of Church **Guisborough Methodist Church**

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 

Name of independent examiner **Mr R E N Shawcross**

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner **FCA**

Name of firm (where appropriate) **N/A**

Address **2 Devon Crescent, Skelton,**

..... Post Code **TS12 2BS**.....

Date 

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RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of

Guisborough Methodist Church

(*Church Council/ ~~Circuit Meeting~~/District)

To

Cleveland and Danby Circuit

(*Circuit Meeting/District)

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Methodist Conference and the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (i) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (ii) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Report/s

- (iii) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out overleaf and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and our Annual Report
- (iv) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion
- (v) Our Report is attached overleaf

* please delete as appropriate

To be completed by Receiving Body

The

*Circuit Meeting/District received the RESERVES POLICY of

*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District

Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees

YES ☐ / NO ☐

Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees

Responses received and any further action taken

*Circuit/District

Signatures

Date.....

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RESERVES POLICY of

Guisborough Methodist Church(*Church Council ☒ Circuit Meeting ☐/District ☐)

1.	General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023	£ 48,335.12
2.	Restricted Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023	£ 16,931.40
3.	Endowment Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023	£ 13.78

4. **Reserves policy for General Funds**

- Through stewardship of God's resources, we will aim to ensure that there are adequate reserves to meet anticipated needs of the Fellowship, but also trusting in God's provision where necessary.
- In line with the Circuit reserves policy, we will ensure that there are normally at least unrestricted reserves available equivalent to 15% of projected annual expenditure, this is approximately equivalent to 1.8 months/7.8 weeks of normal expenditure

5. **Policy for Restricted Funds**

- Ensure that reserves raised for specific external charities etc. are paid/transferred at the earliest opportunity, generally within one month.

6. **Terms relating to Endowment Funds held**This Reserves Policy has been approved by **Guisborough Methodist Church Council 25/10/2023**(*Church Council ☒/Circuit Meeting ☐/District ☐)

Treasurer	Trustee/Chair of the Meeting
Full name Mr Jason M Griffiths	Full Name Rev Kevin Highfield
Signature 	Signature 