

Guisborough Methodist Church

Trustee Report

Financial Year 24 25

Guisborough Methodist Church continues to thrive and moves from strength to strength under the new leadership of the Rev Meg Peters, who joined us from the USA this September 2025.

We have on average 60 people attending services on a Sunday morning with a membership of 94 and 73 adherents. There is a service held fortnightly at Hinton Ct which is a Methodist Homes establishment located in Guisborough. Every second and fourth Sunday at GMC is a café style service.

The church is open every day with the following activities: Good Neighbours, Women's Fellowship, Girl Guides, Youth Club, Music group, and Saturday Coffee Morning.

A local charity the Bridge Association hire GMC premises for a community shop where they distribute food to people who require help and support, interestingly this is mostly single people. The Bridge also hire GMC premises to run a weekly Soup and a Roll session as a fund-raising event.

Other community groups using the GMC premises are the Guisborough photo group, U3a singing for pleasure, Guisborough Choral Society and we have regular private children's parties. A new group we are starting to work with is Little Buddies Nursery a local nursery that use GMC 3 mornings a week.

The church family at GMC is a vibrant group of people attempting to live out their faith and love of God through their worship activities, that include weekly house groups as well as Sunday fellowship and a weekly prayer meeting.

The GMC family expression of faith is evidenced in the way they try to be inclusive and outward looking meeting the need of local people where they are just as we witnessed in the life and work of Jesus.

GMC has an online presence where more information about our church can be found at www.guisboroughmethodist.online

Jason Griffiths

Treasurer GMC

23/10/2025

Name of Church Guisborough**Notes on Receipts****1 Donations**General Fund
Legacy**Total****2023/24****2024/25**

1,033.86

2,863.39

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Tax refund**Total****2023/24****2024/25**

54,703.34

55,463.53

12,324.80

13,135.87

67,028.14**68,599.40****3 Lettings**Church Premises
Aislaby Court**Total****2023/24****2024/25**

14,146.00

13,236.40

5,662.64

6,005.10

19,808.64**19,241.50****4 Fund Raising**Coffee Mornings
Sunday Coffee
Fund Raising events**Total****2023/24****2024/25**

4,768.72

5,832.43

5.20

97.58

461.69

498.51

5,235.61**6,428.52****5 Other Receipts**Internal Organisation receipts
Loan from Circuit (Wayforward project)
Connexion Pension refund
Other Restricted Funds
Others**Total****2023/24****2024/25**

1,814.92

1457.51

7,328.16

8,645.65

119.20

1,362.68

525.66

501.50

2,459.78**19,295.50**

Name of Church Guisborough**Notes on Expenditure**

6	Maintenance	2023/24	2024/25
	Repairs	9,407.44	4,793.79
	Equipment renewal	2,289.36	1,828.68
	Cleaning	8,826.96	5,964.95
	Total	20,523.76	12,587.42
7	Insurance and Utilities	2023/24	2024/25
	Insurance	4,162.81	4,361.91
	Electricity	3,511.73	2,277.48
	Gas	8,120.89	5,632.75
	Water	471.32	617.31
	Telephone/WIFI	576.00	576.00
	Total	16,842.75	13,465.45
8	Worship Expenses	2023/24	2024/25
	Mission	87.99	204.67
	Copyright/Licence exps	692.37	716.69
	Others	173.25	438.02
	Total	953.61	1,359.38
9	Funds passed to other Charities	2023/24	2024/25
	Christian Aid		345.93
	Easter Offering		237.75
	Funeral Collections	485.67	501.50
	Total	485.67	1,085.18
10	Other outgoings	2023/24	2024/25
	Internal Organisation exps	2,091.08	1,479.43
	Catering etc	311.13	449.91
	Stationery & Admin	481.25	343.22
	Youth Fund costs	2,930.22	1,832.77
	Bank Charges	373.13	134.18

Cleveland and Danby Circuit

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Others	1,486.73	2,174.43
Leaving Gift/Books		684.00
Wayforward Project		7,328.16
Total	7,673.54	14,426.10

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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

R E N Shawcross

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,**

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Date

7 October 2025

* delete or circle as appropriate