

Charity Number: 1128664

Baildon Methodist Church

Trustees' Annual Report and Financial Statements

for the year ended 31st August 2025

Baildon Methodist Church

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BAILDON METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2025

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

REGISTERED CHARITY NAME	Baildon Methodist Church
REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER	1128664
CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS	Newton Way Baildon West Yorkshire BD17 5NH

THE TRUSTEES

The trustees, being appointed by the Church Council, who served during the year were as follows:

Rev Nick Blundell	Circuit Minister
Rev Lisa Quarmby	Circuit Minister
Rev Phil Drake	Circuit Superintendent Minister
Nicola Arkell	
Janet Binks	Senior Steward
John Binks	
Linda Bairstow	
Elliot Cahill	
Naomi Cahill	
Heather Clark - Coates	
Ros Crosland	
John Darnbrook	
Chris Flecknoe	
Mervyn Flecknoe	
Ashley France	
Matt Hawker	
Naomi Howarth	
Jonathan Hayes	
Gwyneth Jackson	
Peter Jackson	
Susan Jackson	
Gareth James	
Rachel James	
Dawn Jankowicz	Church Council Secretary
Sally Marney	
Gary Picken	Treasurer
Allen Pollard	
Custodian Trustees	The Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP)

B) STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES' ACCOUNTING AND REPORTING RESPONSIBILITIES

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Annual Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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C) STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Baildon Methodist Church is established as a trust, under the Methodist Church Act 1976 and is governed by the Church Council in line with its Governing Document, 'The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church.' Trustees are appointed by the Church Council and by Church members at the Annual General meeting

The Church Council (comprising the Chairperson and trustees) meets three times a year with additional ad hoc meetings as required, to consider matters of governance, current operational and financial positions and strategic planning. Proceedings of the Church Council and all related groups are publicised to all Church members, and an Annual General Meeting (AGM) is held to which a report is made on Church affairs. The Church Annual General Meeting for members was held on 2 February 2025. Church Council meetings continued to take place on Church premises throughout the past year.

The Church is part of the Bradford North Methodist Circuit and, through the Yorkshire West District, is accountable to the Methodist Conference. Churches within the circuit were served during 24-25 by a team of 3 full time presbyter, with a halftime Deacon.

Two voluntary lay pastors, local preachers, trustees and volunteers played major roles in the organisation and running of Baildon Methodist Church. The Church Council discussed risks applying to the Church, took professional advice as required, regularly reviewed progress and adopted a Safeguarding Policy which will be reviewed annually.

The Baildon Leadership Team (trustees representing different aspects of Church life together with one of the ministers), plus several other focused committees, provided invaluable service to Church members in the organisation and running of the Church, Wesleys Community Hub and Cafe and in the consideration of any issues arising, before being referred to the Church Council for decision making.

D) OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this Methodist Church (as set out in the Methodist Church Act 1976 and the Methodist Church's statement 'Our Calling' in 2000) is the advancement of the Christian faith and any charitable purpose of the Methodist Church or Church organisation and to respond to the gospel of God's love through worship and prayer, learning and caring, service and evangelism. Baildon Methodist Church aims to increase awareness of God's presence, make more followers of Jesus Christ, help people through prayer, mutual support and care, be a good neighbour to those in need and challenge injustice where appropriate. The Church hosts and actively supports and manages Wesleys Community Hub and Wesleys Café as places where local people of all ages can meet, make friends and enjoy social activities.

The trustees of Baildon Methodist Church have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and take this into account when planning and considering their objectives and activities.

SUMMARY 2024-25

The Church continued to flourish as a centre for Christian worship, prayer, witness, and fellowship, and as an active contributor in Baildon to serving the community – seeking to meet the local needs of both individuals and groups. The Church continues to have a strong commitment to protecting the environment and to spreading understanding and awareness of the climate crisis, as an Arocha Gold Award Church. The Church also responds to the needs of distant "neighbours" by supporting external charities and responding to emergency appeals when disasters strike around the world.

Wesleys Community Hub is hosted by the Church and provides for a wide range of group activities for all ages to take place on our premises. **Wesleys Café**, also based in the Church premises and supported by many church and community volunteers, continues to be as popular as ever and provided good food at affordable prices and companionship to many people who might have otherwise been lonely and isolated.

F) THE CHURCH, WESLEYS COMMUNITY HUB AND CAFE IN NUMBERS

Number of church members: 133

Numbers of church members who died or moved away during the year: 7 deaths. 1 moved away

Numbers of new church members: 1

Number of infants baptised: 1

Average Sunday morning congregation: 100.

Number of groups (Church and Community) meeting regularly on the premises as part of Wesleys Community Hub: 40.

Estimated number of attendances to the premises each week: 1200.

Lunch meals served on each weekday– averaged 50.

Number of volunteers: 120.

G) MINISTERIAL AND LAY STAFFING

Baildon Methodist Church Council has been chaired throughout the year by a Minister from the Bradford North Circuit Team Ministry, usually Rev Nick Blundell, who acted as the primary link to Baildon from the Circuit Ministry Team.

The Ministerial Team consisted of two full-time and one part-time Minister, along with a part-time Deacon and some administrative staff. These staff are employed by the Methodist Circuit rather than Baildon Methodist Church.

Baildon Methodist Church employed 5 staff during 2024-25:

- A full-time Caretaker
- Two part-time Cooks
- An Administrative Officer (part-time)
- A Community Liaison and Lettings Officer (part-time).

In addition, Baildon Methodist Church benefited from the support of two (Voluntary/ unpaid) Lay Pastors, both of whom are trained Local Preachers of the Methodist Church.

H) PREMISES

Our premises comprise: the Church (also used on weekdays for community activities); Wesleys kitchen, Café area and meeting rooms (collectively known as “Wesleys”), and the separate but adjacent building, The Fold.

Various building projects were completed during 2024-5.

- £35,000 was spent on improvements to the large flat roof above the café area. The integrity of the old roof was deteriorating, some water ingress had been experienced, and it was identified on the Quinquennial report as needing attention. As part of the re-roofing, the opportunity was taken to add three large roof lights (windows) to allow natural light into the café and to add 100mm of insulation to the outside of the roof to reduce heat loss.
- Two other smaller roofs, to the kitchen and the front office, were completely replaced, adding insulation as part of the installation.
- A Fire and Safety inspection (carried out by an external company) identified that many of the internal doors did not meet Fire Safety regulations. The internal double doors into the church were replaced and the other doors were modified to bring them up to the standard required.

- Other items identified on the Fire and Safety inspection: Signage and housekeeping have also been implemented.
- The former vestry, now used as an office by the Circuit Staff, was completely refurbished. A dividing wall was removed, new ceiling installed, with lights, heaters, and carpets replaced, as well as general decorating.
- A storage cupboard, situated under an external patio was found to have damp problems that were beginning to permeate into the main Lower Fold building. The section of the patio above the cupboard was dug up, new insulating membranes installed and the patio re-laid. This work was, in the main, done by volunteers from the church.
- Improvements to the outside lighting around the church were implemented.
- Various external painting was carried out by volunteers from the congregation.
- The church invested in a "Giving Station" to enable people easily to give cashless donations. This device has proven to be most successful with the Church's monthly Charities, GiFO (Giving for others).

I) CHURCH ACTIVITIES: WORSHIP, PRAYER, FELLOWSHIP AND PASTORAL CARE.

Sunday morning services were held at 10.00 throughout the year.

On the third Sunday of each month, a Minister conducted morning worship with communion.

Other services were led by our Lay Pastors, other Local Preachers, visiting preachers, and members of the congregation who have taken on leading worship from time to time.

On the third Sunday of each month an afternoon time of worship was organised under the title of "Praise Time" and this proved popular with people who were unable to get along to the 10.00am service and who appreciated a more informal style of worship.

Several special services were held throughout December including a participative Nativity Service; a Café-style Carol Service with brass band accompaniment; and a quieter service for people who might find traditional Christmas festivities a bit difficult.

Two, weekly, Prayer Groups (one daytime and one evening) continued to meet throughout the year, as well as a Christian Fellowship Group once a fortnight.

"Wellbeing at Wesleys", continued to be run by volunteers, offering two drop-in sessions per week. These sessions are aimed at people who are isolated and feeling "not OK". Mindful activities are offered by the volunteer team, as well as a prayer-time for those who wished to take part.

During the autumn, our morning worships celebrated the Christian seasons of:

- Creationtide
- Harvest
- Remembrance
- Advent and Christmas
- Lent

The Church took an active part in the annual Baildon community event called "Baildon at Christmas" on 1 December. We welcomed many hundreds of local people to our premises to enjoy free music and dance performance, visit charity stalls, and enjoy food made by Wesleys Café. Everyone was given a welcome leaflet detailing our Christmas services.

Mince pies and a Christmas greeting were given out in the centre of Baildon on the last Saturday before Christmas; and in similar fashion, hot-cross buns and a Christian greeting were distributed on Good Friday.

For the five weeks of Lent, commencing on 9 March, Baildon Methodist Church followed a themed series of services based on Jesus's experiences in the wilderness, as part of the "Jesus Shaped People" programmes that we have been following for the past 10 years. These services were supported by booklets for reflection and discussion. Baildon Methodist Church also joined in with the Lenten lunches organised by Churches Together in Baildon, including hosting one of the lunches.

On 7 March, we took part in the World Day of Prayer service, held this year at Baildon Moravian Church.

As Easter approached, on Maudy Thursday, we held a Tenebrae service, for the first time in our own church, and this was appreciated by those who attended. Some of our members joined a walk of witness organised by Churches Together in Baildon on Good Friday before returning to Wesley's Café area for a Good Friday Café Service. On Easter morning, an Easter breakfast was provided before the morning worship.

In May, we celebrated our Church Anniversary, with singing accompanied by the church band. After the service, a buffet lunch and quiz was held for those who wished to continue the fellowship, with proceeds donated to Christian Aid.

A "Rousing Hymns, Songs and Scones" service was arranged for the afternoon of 13 July and members were invited to choose their favourite hymns for everyone to sing.

Giving for Others.

For our Harvest Service in October 2024, we invited, in line with previous years, donations of tins and packeted foods and these were taken to the neighbouring Windhill Community Centre food bank for distribution to those in food poverty. At the end of November, we also invited the congregation to bring toys, books, and gifts in new or good-as-new condition for donation to families in need known to the Advice Centre in Windhill. The Church also supported an appeal for socks to be donated for homeless men at the Bradford Immanuel Project.

We continued to choose a different charity each month as our "Giving for Others" Charity (often abbreviated to our GiFO). A total of £7,385 was raised for different causes throughout 2024-25. This included a wide variety of local, national and international charities such as: Manorlands Hospice, All we Can (Methodist Relief and Development Fund), Christian Aid Middle East appeal, Action for Children, Kaleo, Cool Earth, Windhill Community Centre, Candlelighters, Easter Offering, Christian Aid, Camfed, Defibrillator local charity, Multiple Sclerosis Charity.

A coffee morning to raise funds for MacMillan Cancer Charity was arranged by church members in October 2024 and raised £1193.

A Church Christmas card was again produced to help reduce the number of individual cards needing to be exchanged between members and friends. Participants were invited to make a donation to the Kaleo Charity or another charity of their choice. Some Church members invited people to engage with a Reverse Advent Calendar Project whereby dried goods and gifts were put into a box for each day of Advent. The resulting boxes were donated to families known to the Windhill Advice Centre.

Members of the church continued to be generous in contributing foodstuffs and toiletries to the Community Pantry on our premises. This ran throughout the year on a help-yourself-if-you-need-something-for-today basis.

The Church "Sew Together" Group continued to meet fortnightly to create knitted blankets that were sent to the Fistula Hospital in Addis Ababa. Over 600 such blankets have been sent in recent years.

Promoting Inclusion

In term time, Baildon Methodist Church volunteers offered "Stay and Play" for children and a parent or guardian. Stay and Play took place at the same time as the morning service, in the adjacent Wesley's Café area. Each session

included a bible story, or other story with a message which communicates our values, and a craft activity related to the story. The children brought their creations into the adult worship near the end of each morning service so that adults and children could round off their worship together.

Towards the summer of 2025, it was decided to provide a more informal worship space at the rear of the church for all ages, for those who might prefer to worship whilst crafting, doodling, or colouring.

Fellowship and Pastoral care

Many members of Baildon Church and the wider community found friendship and positive activities through the Church and its many associated activities. For a lot of older people living alone, and young parents, Baildon Methodist Church, Wesleys Community Hub and Café provided a place where they feel cherished and “at home”.

The Church continued to have a system of “Pastoral Visitors” – i.e. members of the Church who undertook to maintain a special link with up to 6 other members, especially those living alone.

The Lay Pastors were also available to support people at times of particular need, and, when requested, to prepare for and conduct baptisms or funerals.

Supporting Bradford City of Culture 25

During the year, we took part in an art project organised by the Methodist Circuit entitled “The Bigger Picture”; welcomed the Circuit “Tent” which offered crafting and weaving activities; and asked groups which met on our premises to make some bunting to represent their group so that these could be strung together around the Wesleys Café area. We also promoted other City of Culture activities taking place across the city.

Communications

The Church continued to host and update two websites – one specifically for Church activities, and the other for Wesleys Community Hub and Café.

A monthly “What’s On” sheet was produced in paper form and was displayed in stands on the tables in Wesleys Café.

Noticeboards were used to promote upcoming activities; to let people know of our activities; and to extend environmental message in line with the A Rocha Gold Award which we achieved in 2023-4. One wall of Wesleys Café was used as a gallery for local artists, photographers, and crafters. A weekly e-newsletter, “Bits and Pieces” was put together and circulated each week. This included Church and Wesleys news; Circuit information; and local external events and opportunities.

Facebook was also used to reach the wider community.

J) WESLEYS COMMUNITY CAFÉ / WESLEYS COMMUNITY HUB ACTIVITIES AND PARTNERSHIPS

Wesleys Café and Community Hub are vital components of Baildon Methodist Church, providing friendship, food, and health-promoting activities for all ages. They enable us to use our premises, time, and skills in the service of our local community.

Grants were received from Bradford Council and Baildon Town Council to support the work of Wesleys Café and Community Hub as a “Warm and Welcome Space” and as a centre for local people to meet and build a sense of community.

Wesleys Café continued to be very popular throughout the year, particularly for those living alone and young parents and their children. It also provided a space where people coming to Wesleys Community Hub for group-

activities could socialise before or after their sessions. The Café Cooks (only one on duty on any day) supported a team of around 70 volunteers who worked in the kitchen on a rota basis, taking orders, making drinks, preparing vegetables, and operating the washing up machine.

The Café was open from 10.00-15.00 each weekday, serving nutritious and affordable meals from 12.00-13.30. Around 50 main meals were served each weekday. On Saturdays, the Café was open for drinks and snacks from 9.00-12.00 and was run entirely by volunteers.

Café prices were set as low as possible, whilst still covering the costs. The small surplus at the year-end was transferred to Church running costs.

Vouchers for people to claim a free drink, and free soup and a roll at lunchtimes were available, and were accepted by the Café as payment, without question.

A traditional Christmas lunch was served on two days in December, and the Café provided food for the Baildon at Christmas event.

Wesleys Community Hub provided and supported around 40 different activities each week: some being activities directly run by Church members, and others being offered by external organisations that share Christian values of service and support to others. Regular activities included:

- “See&Know” baby and toddler group; a Youth Club; Guiding and Scouting groups.
- Several activities aimed at older people including a Social Group, a Dementia-friendly drop-in; and Seated Dance. A new support group for Carers was also established during the year.
- Groups promoting good health including “Weigh Better Together”, Pilates, and a new Tai Chi session.
- Two choirs and an orchestra.

Our adjacent building – The Fold – continued to be used in term-time by Baildon Village PreSchool (Lower Fold), and by “Unique Voices”, providing arts and drama activities for people with learning disabilities, in the Upper Fold.

During the summer school holidays, one of our regular user-groups offered a dance “camp”, and two play sessions were organised for children with additional needs by a new organisation called Sensory Haven.

Our premises are also used from time to time for meetings of Baildon Town Council and we hosted the Annual Town Meeting.

In March 2024, we organised a “Women’s Health Event” in partnership with officers from Bradford Council, Bingley Bubble Community Health Partnership, and the local GP practice. Over 20 voluntary and statutory organisations had an information stall at the event, which also offered some discussion opportunities and exercise “taster sessions”.

In addition, our premises were used for several concerts during the year (the Church having excellent acoustics.).

Partnerships

Wesleys Community Hub took on the role of “Community Anchor” for the Baildon area on the Bingley Bubble Community Health Partnership. This involved attending and contributing a voluntary sector perspective to the monthly meetings of Bingley Bubble Leadership Team; meeting with representatives of other Community Anchor organisations across Bradford; and taking part in other local health forums. Wesleys was also represented on the Patient Participation Group at our local GP surgery.

A representative of Wesleys also attended the quarterly meetings of Baildon Liaison Group which brought together District and Town Councillors with the Community Hubs (Wesleys is one of 4 in Baildon), police, and youth workers to share information and identify new local needs.

K) PLANS FOR FUTURE

- To continue to be guided by the Church Vision Statement:

We will:

- *become a growing Church, spiritually and numerically, where people discover the love of God;*
- *develop the work we do with children, young people, and families;*
- *reach out to vulnerable people of all ages, encouraging them to fulfil their potential;*
- *offer the unconditional love of God to our neighbours near and far;*
- *respect God's World; using as little energy, and creating as little waste, as possible, to leave the World a better place;*
- *forge partnerships with other churches, organisations and businesses that share our values.*
- To build on the success of the Jesus Shaped People series with other series based on spiritual themes.
- Continue to encourage the interaction of younger members of the Church with the functions of Church life.
- To continue to value the efforts of those who help make Baildon Methodist Church a vital part of Baildon village life providing opportunities for fellowship, socialising, learning new skills and community outreach.
- Continue to communicate with friends of the Church using the communication mechanisms details in this report and to use new ones that may be identified. Providing pastoral care to all worshippers and participants in Wesley's activities, whether members of the Church or not.
- To continue to campaign for environmental awareness and action.
- Maintain a vigilant approach to our energy usage and invest in further large scale solar panel installations to help offset the increasing energy costs.
- To build on the establishment of the "Wellness at Wesley's" twice weekly meeting for people who are isolated, anxious or in need to individual support.
- To continue to support those affected by the Cost of Living Crisis.

The trustees declare that they have approved the Trustees Report above.

Signed on behalf of the Charity's Trustees:



Rev Philip Drake

On behalf of the Ministerial Team



Christine Flecknoe

Church Council Secretary 2024/25

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Statement of Trustees' accounting and reporting responsibilities

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

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Baildon Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025.

This report is made solely to the Charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. My independent examination work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent Examiner's Report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Charity and the Charity's Trustees as a body, for my independent examination work, for this report, or for the opinions I have formed.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirmed that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. The accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. The accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
4. The accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

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.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Jonathan S White". The signature is written in a cursive style. Below the signature, there are two long, parallel horizontal lines drawn across the page.

Jonathan S White

10th February 2026

J S White & Co Limited

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Declaration of Scrutiny for the year ended 31 August 2025

I confirm that these accounts for the year to 31st August 2025 have been prepared from the records of the Church and they include all funds under the control of the Church Trustees.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'G. Picken', written in a cursive style.

Treasurer and Trustee
10th February 2026

Gary Picken
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Statements of Financial Activities for the year ended 31 August 2025

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total 2025	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted funds	Total 2024
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income from:							
Donations and offerings	3	64,241	47,856	112,097	64,912	68,335	133,247
Other Trading Activities	4	85,635	5,892	91,527	71,188	7,886	79,074
Investment Income		3,319	6,351	9,670	3,632	12,536	16,168
Other Income	5	73,994	40,145	114,139	6,501	46,052	52,553
Total Income		227,189	100,244	327,433	146,233	134,809	281,042
Expenditure on:							
Charitable activities	7	169,547	122,710	292,257	106,881	130,250	237,131
Total Expenditure		169,547	122,710	292,257	106,881	130,250	237,131
Net Income / (expenditure)		57,642	22,466	35,176	39,352	4,559	43,911
Transfers between funds		9,797	7,940	1,857	-	-	-
Funds brought forward	14	129,661	106,433	236,094	90,309	101,874	192,183
Funds carried forward		187,303	83,967	271,270	129,661	106,433	236,094

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2025

		2025		2024	
	Notes	£	£	£	£
Current Assets					
Debtors	10	14,300		6,190	
Cash at bank and in hand		258,865		264,448	
		273,165		270,638	
Current Liabilities					
Creditors: Amounts falling due within on year	11	- 1,895	-	15,245	
Net Current Assets			271,270		255,393
Creditors: Amounts falling due over one year	12		-	-	19,299
Net Assets			271,270		236,094
Funds of the Charity:					
Unrestricted	14		187,303		129,661
Restricted	14		83,967		106,433
Total Funds			271,270		236,094

The notes on pages 17 to 23 form part of these Financial Statements.

The Financial Statements were approved by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Gary Picken
Trustee

Date:

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Statement of Cash Flows for the year ended 31 August 2025

	2025 £	2024 £
Cash flows from operating activities:		
Net Cash (used in) operating activities: Below	- 15,253	- 56,050
Cash flows from Investing activities		
Interest received	9,670	16,168
Net cash provided by investing activities	9,670	16,168
Cash flows from financial activities		
Cash in flows from new borrowing	-	-
Net cash provided by financing activities	-	-
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the year	- 5,583	- 39,882
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the year	264,448	304,330
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the year	258,865	264,448

Reconciliation of Net Movement in Funds to Net Cash Flow from Operating Activities

	2025 £	2024 £
Net movement in funds	- 343	3,498
Interest Received	- 9,670	- 16,168
Increase in debtors	8,110	3,545
Increase in creditors	- 13,350	- 46,925
	- 15,253	- 56,050

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Notes to the Financial statements for the year ended 31 August 2025

2. Critical accounting estimates and judgements

In the application of the Church's accounting policies, the Trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised, if the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future periods if the revision affects both current and future periods.

3. Income from donations and offerings

	2025	2024
	£	£
Legacies	-	-
Offerings and donations	81,084	14,746
Gift Aid	11,835	103,651
Grants received	16,020	14,850
Room Letting Loan Repayment	-	-
Funds to pay out??	3,158	-
	112,097	133,247

4. Income from other trading activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Book & Card Stall	510	386
Electricity	4,986	3,956
Premises lettings	62,962	51,193
Smart Export Guarantee payment	2,153	-
Gift Aid Tax Reclaim	20,916	23,539
	91,527	79,074

5. Other Income

	2025	2024
	£	£
Catering Income	62,367	8,033
Weddings and funerals	2,318	390
Room Letting	46,960	42,502
See & Know funds	-	-
Feed in tariff	2,495	1,628
TMCP Interest	-	-
	114,139	52,553

6. Income from Investments

	2025	2024
	£	£
Interest on cash deposits	3,319	3,632
Interest to Big Fund	2,755	12,537
TMCP Interest	3,595	-
	9,670	16,168

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7. Expenditure on charitable activities

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff Costs (Note 8)	80,681	55,701
Circuit assessment	76,130	74,823
Building Cost	75,010	44,612
Bank Charges	60	60
Donations	350	70
Repair and maintenance	395	9,697
Utilities and Insurance	23,653	36,782
Mission and publicity	1,122	4,437
Cleaning and other costs	6,395	4,611
Licence cost	1,309	969
Catering	142	68
GIFO Paid out	5,894	5,152
Grants paid out	9,757	16,194
Fuel	-	- 32,330
Big Fund Loan repayment & Interest	614	3,104
Benevolence Fund	1,070	50
Other Misc	2,693	1,592
Restricted Funds	3,593	11,538
Website & computer costs	2,595	
Creditors	794	
Total Expenditure	292,257	237,131

8. Employment Costs

	2025	2024
	£	£
Staff costs comprise:		
Wages and salaries	76,011	51,699
Social Security	1,957	1,165
Pension Costs	2,713	2,837
	80,681	55,701

The Church had 5 employees (2024 - 5 employees) during the year.

No employee received remuneration in excess of £60,000 (2024 - no employee).

No Trustees received any remuneration of benefits during the year (2024 - no trustees)

The Trustees are considered to be the key management personnel of the church.

During the year, there were no expenses paid to the trustees (2024 - no expenses).

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10 . Debtors

	2025 £	2024 £
Other Debtors	14,300	6,190

11. Creditors: amounts falling due within one year

	Note	2025 £	2024 £
Accruals		1,895	1,500
Loan Balance	12	-	13,745
		1,895	15,245

12. Creditors: amounts falling due afte one year

	2025 £	2024 £
Loan Balance	-	19,301

The Methodist Chapel Aid loan, which is secured by legal charge over Baildon Methodist Church, is repayable over 15 year. Interest is charged at 2.9% per annum.

The loan, which is not secured, is repayable over 12 years by way of capital and interest payments. Interest is charged at 1.8% per annum.

At 31 August 2025 the loan was repayable in annual instalments as follows:

	2025 £	2024 £
In one year or less	-	-
Between one and five years	-	13,745
After five years by instalments	-	19,301
Total borrowings	-	33,046

13. Financial instruments

	2025 £	2024 £
Carrying amount of financial assets:		
Financial assets carried at amortised cost	273,165	270,638
Carrying amount of financial liabilities:		
Financial liabilities carried at amortised cost	1,895	34,546

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14. Movement of funds

As at 31 August 2024	Balance at 1 September 2024 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2025 £
Restricted funds:					
Big Fund	- 296,635	70,856	- 68,392	-	- 294,171
Other Funds	403,066	29,388	- 54,318	-	378,136
	106,431	100,244	- 122,710	-	83,965
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	129,663	227,189	- 169,547	-	187,305
Total funds	236,094	327,433	- 292,257	-	271,270

As at 31 August 2024	Balance at 1 September 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Balance at 31 August 2024 £
Restricted funds:					
Big Fund	- 322,137	114,606	- 89,104	-	- 296,635
Other Funds	424,009	20,203	- 41,146	-	403,066
	101,872	134,809	- 130,250	-	106,431
Unrestricted funds:					
General funds	90,311	146,233	- 106,881	-	129,663
Total funds	192,183	281,042	- 237,131	-	236,094

Purpose of restricted funds:

Big fund: funds for the 'Fold' a building within the church grounds which will be used for various community and church uses. The church will continue to fundraise in the coming year.

Other funds: various small balances given to the church for a particular use.

Transfers between funds represent the use of funds from legacies towards the building of the 'Fold'.

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15. Analysis of net assets between funds

As at 31 August 2025	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Current assets	117,592	155,573	273,165
Current liabilities	- 1,895	-	- 1,895
Long term liabilities	-	-	-
	115,697	155,573	271,270

As at 31 August 2024	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Total £
Current assets	85,055	185,583	270,638
Current liabilities	- 1,500	- 13,745	- 15,245
Long term liabilities	-	- 19,301	- 19,301
	83,555	152,537	236,092

16. Related party transactions

There are no related party transactions during the year (2024: no transactions).