



# **The Methodist Church**

**Beeston Methodist Church**  
Registered Charity 1129035  
in the  
Nottingham Trent Valley Circuit 22/04

**Annual Report and Financial Statement**  
**for the year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

# Annual Report and Financial Statements of Beeston Methodist Church (BMC) for the year 01 September 2022 to 31 August 2023

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## 1. Background to the report

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Registered charities are required to produce an annual report, which is submitted to the Charity Commission. The annual report incorporates the financial statement for the year but also states the aims of the charity and assesses its achievements during the year.

Registered Charity	Beeston Methodist Church
Charitable number	1129035
Governing document	Act of Parliament
Area of benefit	Undefined, in practice, local

Charitable 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.
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Date registered	07 April 2009
Classification	Religious activities
Who	General public / Mankind
How	Provides buildings, facilities, open space, other charitable activities

## 2. Administrative Details

Name:	Beeston Methodist Church
Address:	Chilwell Road, Beeston, Nottingham, NG9 1EH
Telephone:	0115 9431164
Website:	<a href="http://www.beestonmethodist.church">www.beestonmethodist.church</a>
Email:	<a href="mailto:office@beestonmethodist.church">office@beestonmethodist.church</a>
Minister:	Rev Alistair Jones, Rev Christine Fox

Administrator: Mrs Karen Jowett

**Managing Trustees (Church Council Members 1.9.2022 to 31.8.2023)**

	<b>Date Appointed</b>	<b>Date of Resignation (if applicable)</b>
Rev Alistair Jones (Chair)	01.09.2017	01.10.2022
Rev Christine Fox	01.10.2022	31.08. 2023
Mrs J Weir	26.10.2022	
Mr T Beardsall	01.09.2014	
Mr E Davies	01.07.2022	
Mrs H Davies	01.09.2014	
Mrs C Foster	01.09.2014	
Mrs F Fyfe	21.05.2017	
Mr R Howard	01.09.2014	
Mr N Jones	01.09.2014	31.08.2022
Mr D Lowe	01.09.2014	
Ms C Milligan	02.08.2020	
Mr A Oakley	16.06.2019	26.10.2022
Mrs M Orton	01.09.2014	
Mrs J Phillips	01.09.2014	
Dr C Pullan	21.05.2017	
Mrs S Ramsey	12.05.2021	
Mrs A Sanders	01.05.2023	
Mr A Taylor	01.09.2014	
Mrs G Taylor	14.04.2019	
Mr P Tivey	01.09.2014	
Mr M Towlson	16.06.2019	
Mr M Wilson	01.09.2018	
Mr C Wright	01.09.2014	

Church Membership at 31.08.2023 was **165**

Community Roll Membership at 31.08.2023 was **124** (i.e. those not in formal membership, but who come under the wider influence of the church)

### **3. Our Aims**

BMC has considered the Commission's guidance on public benefit, and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion, and we offer the following opportunities to all:

- contact (as much, or as little, as required) with a warm, caring Christian community of all ages;
- worshipping God, who has become known to us in Jesus Christ, at services on Sundays and other occasions;
- personal and spiritual growth through worship, fellowship, prayer, Bible study and discussion;
- making friendships through a variety of activities and interest groups that meet on our premises;
- talking, in complete confidence, with a Minister or Pastoral Worker, about personal problems or concerns;
- celebrating baptisms, dedications, weddings and funerals;
- providing rooms and facilities for community use.

### **4. Our Management**

The management of BMC is constituted under the constitutional practice and discipline of the Methodist

Church (CPD). BMC is part of the Nottingham Trent Valley Methodist Circuit. Oversight of the whole circuit is provided by a Superintendent Minister.

The General Church Meeting is open to all members of BMC and is held annually “for fellowship, for mutual counsel respecting the condition of the Local Church, including its financial affairs, for the election of church stewards and representatives and for any other purpose which the [Methodist] Conference may direct.” (The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church 621). This year 66 persons attended the meeting.

The Church Council consists of 23 members who take on the role and responsibilities of Managing Trustees. It is chaired by the BMC or Superintendent Minister and met three times in 2022/2023. Trustees are recruited from the membership of the Church. Vacancies are made known to all members of the church, as is the process by which nominations can be made. Some trustees are appointed as a result of the role they fill within the Church (Treasurer, Safeguarding Officer etc.) and others are elected from the membership at the Annual Church Meeting.

A Leadership Team is elected annually at the General Church Meeting, and its members (Church stewards, Treasurer and Safeguarding Officer) meet monthly with the Minister to provide leadership and take operational decisions relating to the church’s daily activity. Pastoral Links are appointed by Church Council and share with the Ministerial Team in the pastoral care of those on the community roll of the church. The Church Treasurer is appointed annually by the Church Council. Sub-Committees of the Church Council address issues relating to staff employment, finance, property, safeguarding, mission and outreach, caring and nurture and pastoral care and report to the Church Council on a regular basis.

There are no serious incidents or other matters that trustees should have reported to the Charity Commission but have not done so. Work continues to ensure that BMC is fully GDPR compliant following further guidance from the national Methodist Church published during the year.

## 5. Statement of Trustees Responsibilities

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The trustees are responsible for preparing the trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with the United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice) and applicable law and regulations. The law applicable to charities 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:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business. The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the constitution. The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

## **6. Our Progress and Achievements during the Year**

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Although the Church has returned to the usual activities following Covid, we are still mindful of the impact on our members and the users of the building. Our regular services of worship have fully resumed with no restrictions on attendance and other church activities have also resumed. The morning services still continue to be available on Zoom and on a Youtube Channel. Most external groups who use the church for a wide variety of activities have resumed their own activities.

We continue to reach out to the local community and build relationships with groups and individuals in the area.

All our work is under our vision established in 2016:

Here For You: God is calling us to

- offer spiritual nourishment and growth to all
- welcome and nurture everyone
- serve those in our local community
- be a strong voice for justice

A three-year Mission Plan was agreed in December 2020 setting out the key areas of activity during the coming three years, as well as measures for monitoring and evaluation the success of the various activities undertaken.

### **Offering spiritual nourishment and growth to all**

Our regular services of worship and our Junior Church programme continue to meet the spiritual needs of the congregation. We continue to offer recordings of services on our Facebook page as well as CDs to those who prefer to join with us in those ways. There are also mid-week opportunities for prayer and reflection with the Open Space service of Holy Communion.

Prayer requests have been met, either in the services of worship or through the online Prayer Group This Prayer Group continues to meet weekly and receives requests for prayer from members of the congregation and the wider community.

Our premises and facilities are available for baptisms, weddings and funerals and for use by outside groups. Our premises are also used weekly by a Korean Christian Church.

As a church we offer chaplaincy support to the local Girls' Brigade Company and host Church Parades for the Boys' and Girls' Brigades. One member of the Church is continuing his lay-preacher training programme.

### **Welcoming and nurturing everyone**

In order to strengthen the spiritual and social life of our congregation we have a number of house groups, which meet regularly in homes or on church premises, catering for approximately 250 people. The groups meeting on church premises include the Bible Group, House groups, Open Space and Knit and Natter Group. Two walking group meets monthly, one longer walk and a second shorter one.

Regular Saturday coffee mornings are held, which are attended by church members and other members of the local community.

Flowers are taken to those on the Community Roll who are in need of cheering, or by way of congratulation. At Christmas, pots of hyacinths are also distributed to the housebound and those who have been bereaved during the year.

BMC became a member of the Inclusive Church Network during the year and is deeply committed to living up to its ideals. This has included considerations of our responsibilities with regard to those with autism, learning disabilities and dementia as well as those with physical disabilities.

### **Serving those in our local community**

Two weekly Toddler Groups and a Baby Group (ABC) are held throughout term time which provide a meeting place for parents and carers and their pre-school children with a good stock of toys for the children to play with as well as craft activities and singing. These are very well attended. A Light Party (as an alternative to Halloween) was held for any community members who wished to attend. These events were available at no charge, for members of the church and local community.

The Wholly Ground facility for coffee, cake, soup and sandwiches operates on a Wednesday. This provides not only a place to buy food and drink, but also a safe and welcoming place for use by the local community where people can come and chat. Since its opening in late 2017, this is continuing to be a highly supported and much-valued weekly event. The monthly Open Space lunch is also very popular, with the 50 available places often being oversubscribed. This is attended by members of the local community, as well as church members.

The Warm Space Initiative was launched to provide a place of warmth and safety, providing visitors with a hot drink and a friendly welcome. This is enabled by a group of BMC members.

The BMC premises are used regularly for a wide variety of musical concerts, which are well attended by the local community as well as members of the church. The Church Garden was included in the Open Gardens Weekend.

Our church members, strengthened and supported by the church, are involved in many outside activities serving our local community, including the Age UK Nottingham, Beeston Memory Café, Hope Nottingham, Broxtowe Women's Project, Framework Housing Association, Beeston Benevolent Society, The Leprosy Mission, Beeston and District Civic Society, Beeston & District Local History Society, Embrace the Middle East and Amnesty International amongst others.

Our church premises are used by a wide variety of community groups throughout the week, providing a serviced space for a wide range of leisure and educational activities, as well as support for young parents, vulnerable persons and other groups with particular needs.

### **Being a strong voice for justice**

- Beeston Methodist Church is a Fairtrade church and actively promotes a fairer use of the world's resources.
- A Christmas Card sale/coffee morning is held annually at the end of October, when a range of local, national and international charities are able to sell their Christmas items and promote awareness of their work.
- Every Sunday we light the Amnesty Candle to show solidarity with prisoners of conscience everywhere
- Collections of money are made for disasters, emergencies and for assisting others in need.
- BMC raised, by a variety of means, a total of £17,866 for its Church Charity Fund during the year. We were able to donate £8,010 to the Macular Society, £4,005 to the Leprosy Mission and £4,005 to Hope Nottingham.
- Members of the Junior Church continue to support JMA and raised £1,624.

- Christian Aid collections are no longer door to door collections but the work of Christian Aid is well supported by Church Members
- The congregation is committed to ensuring climate justice and having achieved the Bronze EcoChurch Award is continuing to work towards achieving its silver award. The redevelopment of the BMC premises will ensure that the building is much more environmentally sustainable with much improved insulation and double glazing as well as modern lighting and heating systems.

## **7. Specific Projects in the year 1 September 2022 to 31 August 2023**

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The work on the redevelopment of the Church is ongoing. The congregation has achieved its target of £200,000 for the local funding requirement. Grants are being sought to contribute to the costs. Issues with the roof and the presence of a bat has demanded further investigations and slightly delayed progress. Planning application approval was received in June 2023. A group has been set up to manage how the Church operates during the building work.

## **8. BMC Reserves Policy**

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It is BMC's policy to aim to hold at least six months general expenditure plus a buffer amount to cover unexpected fluctuations in income. Restricted Funds held total £197,510. The sums held in the Restricted Funds are held for specific purposes, the main ones being the Church Charities, the Church Support Worker Fund, the Redevelopment Fund and Internal Organisations. Following a change in Circuit Policy the unallocated Bequest Fund is now an Unrestricted Designated Fund.

## **9. Appreciation**

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We would like to thank our small team of paid staff and all the volunteers who work so tirelessly to make our church the vibrant community that it is. Their enthusiasm and commitment is testament to the vibrant community that Beeston Methodist Church is.

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## **ACCOUNTS (ACCRUALS BASIS)**

**For the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023**

### **Ministers**

Rev'd Alistair Jones (until 19/10/22)  
Rev'd Christine Fox (from 25/10/22)

### **Church Leadership Team**

Mrs G Taylor  
Mrs J Phillips  
Mrs S Ramsey  
Miss C Milligan  
Dr Paula Dawson  
Mr Eric Davies  
Rev'd Susan Holmes  
Church Safeguarding Officer (ex-officio)  
Church Treasurer (ex-officio)

### **Church Treasurer**

Mr Ray Howard



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Notes to the accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

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

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2022-23 £
<b>Income</b>						
1 Offerings	1	86,039.37		2,090.00		88,129.37
2 Donations	1	200		20,310.00		20,510.00
3 Gift aid	1	20,832.22		6,602.27		27,434.49
4 Interest and investment income	2	3,496.61		4,541.00		8,037.61
5 Income from investment properties						0.00
6 Internal organisations	5 & 18			21,688.94		21,688.94
7 Other charitable income	3 & 4	44,986.11	3,000.00	61,815.66		109,801.77
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>155,554.31</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>117,047.87</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>275,602.18</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
9 Circuit assessment or share	6	69,114.00				69,114.00
10 Grants and donations	7	10,000.00		42,519.44		52,519.44
11 Property maintenance	8	11,766.47				11,766.47
12 Insurance, utilities etc	10	20,815.34				20,815.34
13 Redevelopment Scheme	9			79,611.96		79,611.96
14 Payroll	11	30,008.03				30,008.03
15 Other expenditure	12	8,697.83		2,930.60		11,628.43
16 Internal organisations	13 & 18			7,090.03		7,090.03
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>150,401.67</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>132,152.03</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>282,553.70</b>
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments						0.00
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0.00
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>5,152.64</b>	<b>3,000.00</b>	<b>-15,104.16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-6,951.52</b>
21 Transfers between funds			23,083.69	-23,083.69		0.00
22 Other gains/(losses)						0.00
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>5,152.64</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>-38,187.85</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>-6,951.52</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		92,322.45		235,697.47		328,019.92
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>

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Notes to the accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

	Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Totals 2023 £	Totals 2022 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>							
Church building and other property						0.00	
Investment properties						0.00	
Investments						0.00	
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>							
Debtors and prepayments	15	34,390.10		6,500.00		40,890.10	37,967.00
Loans by the Churches						0.00	
Investments with TMCP	17		26,083.69	36,014.79		62,098.48	41,906.69
Central Finance Board Deposits	17	44,762.97		152,982.35		197,745.32	222,429.81
Cash at Bank and in hand	17	25,568.83		5,102.93		30,671.76	38,735.92
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>104,721.90</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>200,600.07</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>331,405.66</b>	<b>341,039.42</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	16	7,246.81		3,090.45		10,337.26	13,019.50
Grants payable within 2022-23						0.00	
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>7,246.81</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>3,090.45</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>10,337.26</b>	<b>13,019.50</b>
<b>Net current assets/liabilities</b>		<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>
<b>Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)</b>							
Grants payable after 2022-23						0.00	
Loans to the Church						0.00	
						0.00	
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>
<b>Funds of the Church</b>							
General Fund (Unrestricted)		97,475.09				97,475.09	92,322.45
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)			26,083.69			26,083.69	0.00
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>						<b>123,558.78</b>	<b>92,322.45</b>
Restricted Funds				197,509.62		197,509.62	235,697.47
Endowment Funds					0.00	0.00	
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>

Signed

Ray Howard

Church Treasurer

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## Comparative SOFA for previous year

## Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2022

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2021-22
		£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>						
1 Offerings		84,506.32		2,400.00		86,906.32
2 Donations		1,052.95		38,400.00		39,452.95
3 Gift aid		16,698.80		9,957.17		26,655.97
4 Interest and investment income		847.62				847.62
5 Income from investment properties						0.00
6 Internal organisations				13,217.50		13,217.50
7 Other charitable income		41,181.81		45,276.96		86,458.77
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>144,287.50</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>109,251.63</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>253,539.13</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>						
9 Circuit assessment or share		63,656.00				63,656.00
10 Grants and donations		10,000.00		11,776.59		21,776.59
11 Property maintenance		10,298.10				10,298.10
12 Insurance, utilities etc		25,703.41				25,703.41
13 Redevelopment Scheme				1,702.00		1,702.00
14 Payroll		60,790.59				60,790.59
15 Other expenditure		7,835.09		1,259.22		9,094.31
16 Internal organisations				13,625.61		13,625.61
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>178,283.19</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>28,363.42</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>206,646.61</b>
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments						0.00
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0.00
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>-33,995.69</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>80,888.21</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>46,892.52</b>
21 Transfers between funds		29,318.51		-29,318.51		0.00
22 Other gains/(losses)						
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>-4,677.18</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>51,569.70</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>46,892.52</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		96,999.63		184,127.77		281,127.40
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>92,322.45</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>235,697.47</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>

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## Notes to the accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

### **Basis of accounting and accounting policies**

#### **i. Accounting standard**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with *Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)* applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective from 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

#### **ii. Public benefit entity**

Beeston Methodist Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note below.

#### **iii. Basis**

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year. The accruals basis has been used and trustees present accounts that show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

#### **iv. Content**

The financial information presented is relevant, reliable, comparable and complete. Where estimates are used, these are based on experience, research and judgement. The accounts are expressed in £Sterling,

#### **v. FRS102 SORP 2015**

These accounts are compliant with FRS102 and with the FRS102 SORP 2015. The accounts have been prepared in accordance with applicable charity law in England, this being the Charities Act 2011 and SI2008/629 (Charities Accounting and Reporting Regulations) and, pending the making of replacement Regulations specific to SORP 2015 in accordance with Reg.8(4)(d) of SI 2008/629, the charity trustees have departed from the requirement of Reg.8(5) by following SORP (FRS102) instead of SORP 2005 to the extent necessary to give a true and fair view in the circumstances.

#### **vi. Going concern**

Based on the monetary assets and human resources available at 31 August 2023, the trustees believe that the church is a going concern.

#### **vii. Income recognition**

Income is brought into the accounts when there is entitlement and the amount is reliably measurable once it is more likely than not that the economic benefit of the income will be forthcoming. In accordance with the Charities SORP (102), the time of volunteers is not recognised.

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**viii. Expenditure**

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, where the amount is reliably measurable, and it is considered more likely than not that there will be an outflow of economic benefit.

**ix. Grants**

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of the agreement to make a grant without performance conditions, or as and when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment if it is subject to performance conditions. When the grant to be accrued is recurrent over more than one year, the balance payable in future years is treated as a provision for future commitments in the balance sheet against the appropriate fund, the provision being released in future years in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

**x. VAT**

Since the Church is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

**xi. Tangible fixed assets**

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £5,000.

**xii. Funds**

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted. Restricted funds are held for narrower purpose. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the notes to these accounts. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

**xiii. Exemption from preparing a cash flow statement**

The charity opted to adopt Bulletin 1 published on 2 February 2016 and have therefore not included a cash flow statement in these financial statements.

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## Notes to the accounts for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023

				Totals	
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Last year
Receipts					
Note 1 Offerings and tax recoverable					
Weekly offering - cash and cheques	3,521.45	-	-	3,521.45	3,178.97
Weekly offering - envelopes	5,428.00	-	-	5,428.00	6,236.05
Offertory - standing orders	77,089.92	-	2,090.00	79,179.92	77,491.30
Gift Aid - single gifts	-	-	-	-	400.00
Gifts	200.00	-	20,310.00	20,510.00	39,052.95
Tax reclaimed	20,832.22	-	6,602.27	27,434.49	26,655.97
Offerings and tax recoverable Totals	107,071.59	-	29,002.27	136,073.86	153,015.24
Note 2 Bank & CFB interest and investment income					
Interest	3,496.61	-	4,541.00	8,037.61	847.62
Bank & CFB interest and investment income Totals	3,496.61	-	4,541.00	8,037.61	847.62
Note 3 Lettings					
Lettings	31,329.21	-	-	31,329.21	29,893.40
Parking	720.00	-	-	720.00	600.00
Church Fees	180.00	-	-	180.00	150.00
Lettings Totals	32,229.21	-	-	32,229.21	30,643.40
Note 4 Other receipts					
Donations for use of premises	10,318.94	-	-	10,318.94	8,263.75
BMC Church Charity 21/22	-	-	1,504.94	1,504.94	13,096.00
BMC Church Charity 22/23	-	-	15,201.07	15,201.07	-
Sales proceeds - Furniture	-	-	180.00	180.00	-
Donations - In Memoriam	-	-	-	-	1,500.00
Donations - General	1,702.22	-	-	1,702.22	4,582.34
Other Income	-	-	-	-	9.00
Coffee Mornings	-	-	2,128.56	2,128.56	2,096.52
Fund Raising - Receipts	33.70	-	6,733.73	6,767.43	5,575.40
Organ Fundraising	-	-	19,067.36	19,067.36	5,351.30
Employee Fees	400.00	-	-	400.00	150.00
External Fees	240.00	-	-	240.00	-
Photocopying	62.04	-	-	62.04	200.06
Bequests	-	3,000.00	17,000.00	20,000.00	-
Grants - Methodist	-	-	-	-	14,991.00
Other receipts Totals	12,756.90	3,000.00	61,815.66	77,572.56	55,815.37
Note 5 Internal organisations (income)					
Internal organisations (inc)	-	-	21,688.94	21,688.94	13,217.50
Internal organisations (income) Totals	-	-	21,688.94	21,688.94	13,217.50
Receipts Grand totals	155,554.31	3,000.00	117,047.87	275,602.18	253,539.13

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				Totals	
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Last year
<b>Payments</b>					
<b>Note 6 Circuit assessment or share</b>					
Circuit Assessment or Share	69,114.00	-	-	69,114.00	63,656.00
Circuit assessment or share Totals	69,114.00	-	-	69,114.00	63,656.00
<b>Note 7 Donations</b>					
Donations - Methodist	8,000.00	-	-	8,000.00	8,000.00
Donations - Other	2,000.00	-	23,562.30	25,562.30	13,776.59
Other Collections - Payments	-	-	18,957.14	18,957.14	-
Donations Totals	10,000.00	-	42,519.44	52,519.44	21,776.59
<b>Note 8 Repairs and maintenance</b>					
Cleaning - Materials	1,397.24	-	-	1,397.24	756.48
Property - repairs, maintenance etc	10,369.23	-	-	10,369.23	9,541.62
Repairs and maintenance Totals	11,766.47	-	-	11,766.47	10,298.10
<b>Note 9 Redevelopment Scheme</b>					
Building Works	-	-	15,372.08	15,372.08	-
Professional Service	-	-	64,239.88	64,239.88	1,702.00
Redevelopment Scheme Totals	-	-	79,611.96	79,611.96	1,702.00
<b>Note 10 Utilities, insurances etc</b>					
Insurance	7,714.48	-	-	7,714.48	8,943.05
Gas	4,898.34	-	-	4,898.34	5,152.42
Electricity	6,263.20	-	-	6,263.20	7,276.10
Water	1,144.00	-	-	1,144.00	3,624.13
Telephone	795.32	-	-	795.32	707.71
Utilities, insurances etc Totals	20,815.34	-	-	20,815.34	25,703.41
<b>Note 11 Payroll</b>					
Employment	27,547.03	-	-	27,547.03	54,712.67
Employment - National Insurance	1,407.72	-	-	1,407.72	3,976.55
Employment - Pensions	904.28	-	-	904.28	1,690.67
Statutory Sick Pay	-	-	-	-	192.70
Employment - Apprentice Levy	149.00	-	-	149.00	218.00
Payroll Totals	30,008.03	-	-	30,008.03	60,790.59

We employed a part time Administrator and a part time Cleaner. All staff are paid at or above the Living Wage (as published by the Living Wage Foundation). All eligible staff have had the option of being enrolled into the NEST Pension Scheme.

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				Totals	
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year	Last year
<b>Note 12 Other payments</b>					
Administration	2,638.45	-	-	2,638.45	2,044.68
Photocopying & paper	2,680.05	-	-	2,680.05	2,715.52
Office Supplies	-	-	-	-	65.58
Worship & Fellowship	280.52	-	-	280.52	488.48
Caring & Nurture	379.55	-	-	379.55	-
Missions & Outreach	28.37	-	-	28.37	76.00
Junior Church	435.59	-	-	435.59	152.48
Church Support Worker Expenses	-	-	-	-	422.46
Leadership Team	159.00	-	-	159.00	80.68
Fund Raising Costs	5.83	-	2,930.60	2,936.43	849.22
Other Payments	96.79	-	-	96.79	50.00
Copyright Licence	1,353.68	-	-	1,353.68	1,110.21
Equipment	-	-	-	-	579.00
Employee Fees	400.00	-	-	400.00	150.00
External Fees	240.00	-	-	240.00	-
In/Out Other	-	-	-	-	310.00
Other payments Totals	8,697.83	-	2,930.60	11,628.43	9,094.31
<b>Note 13 Internal organisations (expenditure)</b>					
Internal organisations (exp)	-	-	7,090.03	7,090.03	13,625.61
Internal organisations (expenditure) Totals	-	-	7,090.03	7,090.03	13,625.61
Payments Grand totals	150,401.67	-	132,152.03	282,553.70	206,646.61

### Note 14.

There are no fixed assets or property investments to record in this year's accounts.



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## Note 15 Debtors & Prepayments

			Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year    Last year
Assessment Sept' to Nov' 23	19,717.50			19,717.50    15,914.00
Copyright Sept' to Nov' 23	274.00			274.00    348.00
Photocopier Lease Sept' 23	112.00			112.00    178.00
Payroll Services Sept'23 to March 24	235.20			235.20    327.00
Insurance Sept' - Dec' 23	1,982.00			1,982.00    1,200.00
Outstanding Invoices 22/23	4,429.00			4,429.00    4,500.00
Gift Aid April 23 to Aug' 23	7,625.00		6,500.00	14,125.00    15,500.00
Webcast Licence Sept' 23	15.40			15.40
	<b>34,390.10</b>		<b>6,500.00</b>	<b>40,890.10    37,967.00</b>

## Note 16 Creditors & Accruals

				Total	
	General	Designated	Restricted	This year    Last year	
Ind' Exam' of Accounts	846.00			846.00    804.00	
Payroll				0.00    1,387.50	
Tax & NI	543.20			543.20    2,114.77	
Apprentice Levy	22.00			22.00    41.00	
CSW Expenses					106.20
Webcast Licence					160.20
Gas	154.21			154.21    153.15	
Electricity	480.00			480.00    450.00	
Water	53.00			53.00    400.00	
Telephone				0.00    69.16	
Property Maintenance	5,112.84			5,112.84	
Administration	35.56			35.56	
Agency			3,090.45	3,090.45    7,333.52	
	<b>7,246.81</b>		<b>3,090.45</b>	<b>10,337.26    13,019.50</b>	

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## Note 17 Assets & Liabilities

	General	Designated	Restricted	Totals	
				This year	Last year
<b>Current Asset - Cash At Bank And In Hand</b>					
HSBC General Account	11,130.65	-	7,776.97	18,907.62	15,600.83
HSBC Treasurer Account	947.81	-	-	947.81	2,047.89
CAF Bank	106.63	-	4,386.70	4,493.33	10,423.24
Central Finance Board	44,762.97	-	152,982.35	197,745.32	222,429.81
Methodist Chapel Aid	1,933.74	-	-	1,933.74	1,916.47
Internal Organisations	-	-	4,389.26	4,389.26	8,747.49
Transfers	11,450.00	-	(11,450.00)	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>70,331.80</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>158,085.28</b>	<b>228,417.08</b>	<b>261,165.73</b>
<b>Current Asset - Debtors</b>					
Accounts Receivable	34,390.10	-	6,500.00	40,890.10	37,967.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>34,390.10</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,500.00</b>	<b>40,890.10</b>	<b>37,967.00</b>
<b>Current Asset - Investments</b>					
TMCP Trust 18703	-	26,083.69	18,805.69	44,889.38	41,906.69
TMCP Trust 22655	-	-	17,209.10	17,209.10	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>36,014.79</b>	<b>62,098.48</b>	<b>41,906.69</b>
<b>Liability - Agency Accounts</b>					
Agency collections	-	-	3,090.45	3,090.45	7,333.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,090.45</b>	<b>3,090.45</b>	<b>7,333.52</b>
<b>Liability - Creditors: Amounts Falling Due In One Year</b>					
General Creditors	6,681.61	-	-	6,681.61	3,530.21
Accounts Payable	565.20	-	-	565.20	2,155.77
<b>Total</b>	<b>7,246.81</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,246.81</b>	<b>5,685.98</b>
<b>Net total assets</b>	<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>
<b>Represented by</b>					
General (Unrestricted)	97,475.09	-	-	97,475.09	92,322.45
Designated (Unrestricted)	-	26,083.69	-	26,083.69	-
Restricted – Bequest	-	-	-	-	41,906.69
Restricted – Church Charity 21/22	-	-	-	-	12,369.53
Restricted – Church Charity 22/23	-	-	5,519.30	5,519.30	-
Restricted – Church Support Worker	-	-	27,240.01	27,240.01	14,190.90
Restricted - In-Out	-	-	519.85	519.85	519.85
Restricted – Internal Groups	-	-	4,389.26	4,389.26	8,747.49
Restricted – LIV Village Fund	-	-	1,490.86	1,490.86	1,490.86
Restricted – Redevelopment	-	-	158,350.34	158,350.34	156,472.15
<b>Total</b>	<b>97,475.09</b>	<b>26,083.69</b>	<b>197,509.62</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>

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## Note 18 Internal Organisations

Internal Organisations report to Church Council which has ultimate responsibility for them but they conduct their own financial affairs including an examination of their accounts.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Opening balances	Closing balances
Parents & Toddlers	1,380.85	1,394.55	-13.70	170.57	156.87
Tuesday Connection	322.04	319.54	2.50	17.50	20.00
Benevolent Society	1,114.16	710.00	404.16	959.49	1,363.65
Flower Fund	1,374.81	1,163.50	211.31	-50.63	160.68
Little Acorns	894.97	848.35	46.62	851.41	898.03
Knit & Natter	83.30	41.59	41.71	88.45	130.16
Men's Fellowship	0.18	120.00	-119.82	119.82	0.00
Lunch Club	1,963.01	2,492.50	-529.49	529.49	0.00
Wholly Ground C Bar	14,555.62	18,957.14	-4,401.52	6,061.39	1,659.87
	21,688.94	26,047.17	-4,358.23	8,747.49	4,389.26

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## Note 19. Movement in Funds

	Fund balances brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains and Losses	Fund balances carried forward
<b>Restricted Funds</b>						
Bequest Fund. This has now been closed and balance transferred to Unrestricted Designated Bequest Fund.	41,906.69	-	-	(41,906.69)	-	-
BMC Church Charity 21/22. Our Church Charity for the previous year.	12,369.53	1,504.94	13,874.48	0.01	-	-
BMC Church Charity 22/23. Our Church Charity for the current year.	-	17,866.18	12,346.87	(0.01)	-	5,519.30
Church Support Worker Fund. This fund is used to finance a Church Support Worker.	14,190.90	8,866.11	-	4,183.00	-	27,240.01
In/Out Fund. Used for monies that are held temporary.	519.85	-	-	-	-	519.85
Internal Organisations. Groups that come under the control of BMC Church Council.	8,747.49	21,688.94	26,047.17	-	-	4,389.26
LIV Visit Fund. To finance links with LIV Village South Africa.	1,490.86	-	-	-	-	1,490.86
Redevelopment Fund. For the redevelopment of premises.	156,472.15	67,121.70	79,883.51	14,640.00	-	158,350.34
<b>Unrestricted Funds</b>						
General Fund	92,322.45	155,554.31	150,401.67	-	-	97,475.09
Designated Bequest Fund. All unrestricted Bequests are held in this fund until Church Council allocates the money.	-	3,000.00	-	23,083.69	-	26,083.69
<b>Totals</b>	<b>328,019.92</b>	<b>275,602.18</b>	<b>282,553.70</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>321,068.40</b>

Unrestricted Funds are for the use of the trustees in the furtherance of the general objectives of the Church.

Restricted Funds are those to which contributions have been made for a specific purpose.

All transfers between funds are approved by Church Council (the Trustees) and made in response to changes in internal requirements or to reflect changes in Circuit Policy.

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## Note 20. Donations to Others

Our policy is to give 10% of our General Fund income from offertories, envelopes and gifts (plus associated Gift Aid) to other causes both Methodist and others and is shown in the General fund column below. In addition we also support other causes through specific fundraising, special collections and appeals and these are also shown on the following table. The table does not show donations made for specific causes made at funerals or thanksgiving services.

<b>Donations made by Beeston Methodist Church - year ended 31 August 2023 (£)</b>					
	From General Funds	Charities Funds	Panto	Earmarked appeals and events	Total
Fund for Property	800				800
Fund for the Support of Presbyters and Deacons	480				480
Fund for World Missions	2,960				2,960
Leaders of Worship	240				240
All We Can (MRDF)	960			800	1,760
Mission in Britain	1,680				1,680
Methodist Homes	480				480
Action for Children	400			173	573
Haywood House	200				200
Beeston Women's Group	200				200
Ethiopiad	200				200
Nottingham Samaritans	200				200
Nottingham Street Pastors	200				200
Gitare School, Kenya	200				200
National Deaf Society	200				200
Datum Foundation	200				200
ME Association	200				200
Embrace the Middle East	200				200
Macular Society		8,010			8,010
Leprosy Mission		4,005			4,005
Hope Nottingham		4,005		80	4,085
JMA				1,624	1,624
Christian Aid				54	54
Treetops				28	28
	10,000	16,020	0	2,759	28,779

NB this does not include donations by church groups or funeral donations

**Note 21. Related Parties**

There were no related party transactions in this period.

**Note 22. Trustees' Remuneration/Expenses**

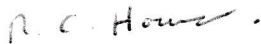
Trustees received no expenses, remuneration or benefits in this period.

## **Beeston Methodist Church**

### **Declarations and Scrutiny**

I confirm that these accruals-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



Name and address of Treasurer:

Date

Ray Howard

24<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Beeston Methodist Church, Chilwell Road, Beeston, Nottingham NG9 1EH

#### **Presentation to the Church trustees**

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were presented and approved by the Church Trustees on 24<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting:

Date

Rev Andrew Checkley

24th January 2024

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the trustees of Beeston Methodist Church**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of Beeston Methodist Church (the Charity) for the year ended 31 August 2023.

### **Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the trustees of the charity 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 Charity'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.

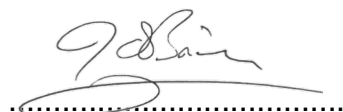
### **Independent examiner's statement**

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 confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member and Fellow of the Association of Charity Independent Examiners, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 Charity 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 accounting 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.

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.



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Date: 31/01/24