

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR YEAR

1 SEPTEMBER 2024 to 31 AUGUST 2025

CHARITY NAME: CHAPEL ALLERTON METHODIST CHURCH

Registered Charity Number 1129425

CHARITY'S PRINCIPAL ADDRESS: Town Street, Leeds LS7 4NB

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the date of Union, the advancement of –

- 1) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of the Methodist Church;
- 2) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, district, circuit, local or other organization of the Methodist Church;
- 3) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institutional subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church;
- 4) Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

The principal activities of Chapel Allerton Methodist Church are the provision of opportunities and facilities for regular Christian Worship and associated activities and provision of facilities for youth and other community activities.

To this end we:

1. Provide corporate worship and related activities for spiritual growth and the deepening of faith in God through Christ.
2. Express Christian love through mutual care and support and provide for fellowship for members and for others within the community.
3. Provide outreach of faith and witness within and beyond the local community.
4. Raise the awareness of the church family of concerns experienced by our fellow Christians and others, in other countries, in this city and the neighbourhood.

To facilitate this work, it is essential that we maintain the fabric of our two buildings, the Church and the Methodist Centre. This is financed in part through letting many of the rooms to local groups and organisations, whose activities run throughout the week and provide direct benefit to the local community – These include: Playgroups, Guides & Brownies, Youth Clubs, Lunch Club, Arts Club, indoor sports and fitness groups, Seniors Groups and ad hoc family parties and cultural events.

As sponsors and supporters of Thrive Leeds, a local ecumenical Youth Project, the Church is pleased to be able to host their two youth clubs in the Methodist Centre and to provide office space for Thrive Leeds' staff.

The membership of the Church and those attending regular worship has been broadly stable with a few new attendees balancing out the deaths and transfers.

The Church continues to support 'Churches together in Chapel Allerton and Meanwood' and has strong ecumenical relationships with St Matthews Church as covenanting churches, worshipping frequently together and organizing annual shared events. Our links with Chapel A Baptist Church, who worship in our Methodist Centre building, grow ever stronger as evidenced by our joint project to carry out refurbishment work during the Summer of 2025.

Further refurbishment of the Methodist Centre is needed, some of it urgent, schedules of necessary works, costings and means of financing, are in process of being drawn up.

There is also a desire to adapt our Church building to provide a more open and welcoming aspect as well as creating more useable spaces. A feasibility study is being embarked upon in the new financial year, this study to include exploration of options to reduce the carbon footprint of this building.

The Church has continued to be generous in its support of other charities. In 2024-25 our Church Charity was Leeds Mind, for which £7,628 was raised through special events and activities. A further £1,760 was raised for various charities through special collections; and a grant of £4,000 was made to Thrive Leeds.

Reserves Policy

It is the policy of Chapel Allerton Methodist Church to hold reserves that exceed 25% of annual expenditure. Reserves currently comfortably exceed this figure, but are set to be reduced by the necessary refurbishment works and desired building alterations referred to above.

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

CHAPEL ALLERTON METHODIST

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2025

Leeds North & East Circuit	Circuit	Circuit no.	27/02
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1129425

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

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

Minister:

Rev Mark Stennett

Church Stewards:

David Cundall	
Edward Britton	
Tenika Tyson	appointed May 2025
Desna Stewart	appointed May 2025
Angela Britton	appointed May 2025
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Treasurer:

Edward Britton

SECTION A

		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	51,007		51,007	49,950
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2,167		2,167	2,252
a4	Lettings	47,712		47,712	45,291
a5	Other receipts	3,801	3,322	7,123	285
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	104,687	3,322	108,009 (a7)	97,778

SECTION B

b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	53,037		53,037	50,435
b3	Donations				
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	22,017		22,017	10,090
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	15,881		15,881	13,708
b6					
b7	Other payments	17,460	3,250	20,710	16,170
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	108,395	3,250	111,645 (b9)	90,403

SECTION C

c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(3,708)	72	(3,636)	7,375
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		36,620	10,988	47,607 (c6)	40,232
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	32,912	11,060	43,971	47,607
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	32,912	11,060	43,971 (c8)	47,607 (c6)

SECTION D

FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS					
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)			£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year			6,652	4,630
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			9,388	11,147
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			7,528	9,125
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)		8,512	6,652

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

SECTION E

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

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

	INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1							
e2							
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds					(e11)	(e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	108,009 (a7)	111,645 (b9)	(3,636)	(c7)	47,607 (c6)	43,971 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	108,009	111,645	(3,636)		47,607 (x)	43,971 (y)
	Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	Cash in hand		
f2	Bank Current Account	13,378	12,397
f3	Bank Deposit Account		
f4	Central Finance Board	40,881	40,086
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		
f6	Other funds (monies held for other organisations)	(6,652)	(8,512)
f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	47,607 (c6)	43,971 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	(e11)	(e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	47,607 (x)	43,971 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1	Investments (include Endowments)	
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	5,039,131
g3	Other Assets	
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	
g5	Other Liabilities	

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

Name of Church .. **Chapel Allerton Methodist Church**

Declarations and Scrutiny

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

Signature of treasurer  Date... 14/10/25.....

Name and address of treasurer Edward Britton

485 Street Lane, Leeds..... Post Code... LS17 6LA

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 14th October 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Emily Young..... Date 14/10/25...

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Chapel Allerton Methodist Church

Charity Number 1129425

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Chapel Allerton Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages 2 to 3. As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church CHAPEL ALLERTON METHODIST No

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 Andrew Laycock

Name of independent examiner ANDREW LAYCOCK

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner FCCA

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