WALKDEN METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1129994

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2009-06-04
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

Address	Manchester Road East Little Hulton Walkden m38 9an
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Activities

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 dicipline 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 subsiduary 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.

Activities: Walkden Methodist Church holds regular worship; weddings, baptisms, funerals on request, fellowship groups, community coffee mornings, uniformed organisations. Meet & Eat (lunch & a chat), craft & chat, a bowling and curling group, Supports St Ann's Hospice, Trussell Trust Food Bank, etc. Various community groups meetings and pastoral support and transport finance at St Andrews Methodist School.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

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Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL
- Salford City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£88,932	£83,489	-	-
2023-08-31	£89,351	£84,739	-	-
2022-08-31	£75,457	£82,031	-	-
2021-08-31	£57,475	£74,156	-	-
2020-08-31	£63,364	£83,891	-	-

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Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev Nutan Sandhya Joseph Suray	Chair	2025-09-01
Anne Bennett		
Carol Lesley Sniadek		2021-05-08
EDITH VALERIE HANCOX optional		
EUNICE NELSON optional		2017-06-01
Elizabeth Oman Kennedy		2021-07-28
GWENDOLINE JOAN DEARDEN optional		2015-05-31
JEAN TAYLOR		2015-05-31
JENNIFER KAY MARSH optional		2014-01-14
James Joseph ONEILL		2019-05-01
Julie LOMAX		2024-04-21
LORRAINE PRICE optional		
Lee James O'Neill		
MARGARET O'NEILL optional		
PAULINE ASHTON optional		
SANDRA MARGARET POOLE		
Sheila Clair Henshaw		2024-04-21

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Accounts

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THE METHODIST CHURCH

Reports And Accounts
Accruals Basis
for the year ended 31 August 2024

Walkden Methodist **Church**

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable) 1129994

Farnworth & Worsley	Circuit No	6 3

Minister Rev Sarah Knebel Until Aug 24

Church Stewards

Mrs L Price
Mrs D Winnard Until May 24
Mrs E V Hancox
Mrs A Bennett
Mrs J Taylor
Mrs E Nelson
Mr J J O'Neill
Mrs S M Poole

Church Secretary Mrs E O Kennedy

Church Treasurer Mrs M O'Neill

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Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015

Full name of the Charity/Church Walkden Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): 1129994

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 4 June 2009

Main communication address: Walkden Methodist Church
Manchester Road East, Little Hulton, Walkden, Manchester M38 9AN

The members of the Walkden Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of Church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer:

Mrs M O'Neill *treasurer* acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Ambient Accounting Limited, Suite 6, Ellesmere House, 1 Pennington Street, Walkden, Worsley, MANCHESTER M28 3LR*

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Walkden Methodist Church

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Introduction

Walkden Methodist Church is an amalgamation of St Andrews Methodist Church & Memorial Road Methodist Church in 2002. It is sited on Manchester Road East. Regular worship takes place on Sunday mornings and occasional evenings. Baptisms, weddings and funerals as requested. We hold seasonal bible groups and fellowship groups. Also young church which is known as YCT (Youth & Church Together) that meet term times, on Sunday mornings.

We also provide rooms for rental to the wider community.

Aims and organisation- Mission Statement

Putting the WORSHIP OF GOD at the centre of all we do.
CARING for and NURTURING all those involved in our Church.
Expressing our Christian concerns BY ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITY
SHARING our faith with everyone.

Review of the year

Strengthen links with our school, St Andrews Primary School. The School visits Church for acts of worship. There are two Foundation and one co-opted Governors on the School Board who support the School wherever possible. For example helping at School fairs. A Minister led weekly act of worship is held in School and special services, such as Christmas and Easter services are held in Church. A holiday club and R.E. learning experiences are held at Church which all help to strengthen School links. We continue to reach out into our local community by hosting weekly coffee mornings, one of which offers British Sign Language practise sessions, and a bowling and curling group , luncheon club meet twice a month providing food for all including the elderly and those who live alone which enhances fellowship. The Church hosts Wednesday Fellowship, Chat and Craft, Uniformed Organisations: Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers. The Church also hosted a Youth Alpha course. Plus other community activities such as Karate, Slimming World, Morelife (UK0 Ltd who offer lifestyle coaching. Edgefold Players a theatrical performance group who meet for rehearsals and hold productions in the Church Hall three times a year. We work with a local Medical Centre where rooms are provided to hold flu vaccine clinics for people who live in our community. The Medical Centre also use Church facilities for meetings. We continue to raise funds for local and world, supporting the work of various mission groups. These include Christian Aid, Teams 4U, World Missions, Action For Children, Trussell Trust Food Bank, Barnabus, Manchester Wood Street Mission, Ukraine Appeal, Junior Missions For All. St Ann's Hospice with financial contributions and pastoral support for those at the end of life or coping with serious illness and their families. The Church also supports two charities chosen by the Church membership: Trafford and Salford Association of Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus, who support people living with this and their families in the Manchester area. We give extra financial support to St Ann's Hospice. This support to these two charities continued until June 2024 when the Church membership voted to continue to support of St Ann's Hospice. We continue to work within our community by hosting Family and Friends Fun afternoons and Cinema events. We host weekly zoom meetings to help those who live alone or feel themselves isolated. We continue to be aware of events within the world, and pray for wars to cease and talks to begin, for those who serve in our Armed Forces and their families, those people who work for justice, world peace, the NHS and Charities we support. Also those who live in poverty. We continue to support the Phakamisa project in South Africa who aim to serve, uplift impoverished communities through provisions of education, training, resourcing and support. In all ways we actively strive to make a difference within this community we serve and the world.

Income Trends:

Church income is primarily drawn from Sunday collections and Gift Aid given by the congregation and lettings income from external users of the building as previously stated. Since Covid 19 we have seen our membership decrease which continues to affect our income stream. We continue to keep in contact with our Church members who are unable to attend Church and work with our external users and community where we can. We will continue to promote the Church and facilities; for example via social media and to some degree we have had some success. We advertise different ways in which people can support the Church and giving can be done via various different ways for example electronically.

Expenditure trends

Our major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit this amounts to approximately 47% of our total outgoings. A significant amount of the Circuit Assessment is used to pay District Assessment, stipends and related costs for Ministers and Circuit Staff. The other expenditure includes benevolent fund support, general maintenance of our buildings, for example heating, lighting costs.
Our Church Membership stand at 79.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2024 the current Church expenditure was £83,489 therefore we hold 7 months' contingency cover, which equates to £49,000.
Balance Sheet Funds:

Cash in Hand:	£9,149 - working capital includes some funds for roof work, Circuit Assessment and day to day running costs of the Church.
	£11,445 - designated development fund - to support, stimulate sustainable growth of the church, along side growth maintaining and investing in the environment.
Trustees For Methodist Purposes Deposits	£71,838 - unrestricted funds of which £49.000 contingency cover. £22,838 continuity in the event of large variation of income, bridge cash flow problems, 5-year maintenance plan.
	£79,907 - restricted funds for future capital reinvestment.
Endowment Funds	£49 - general funds.
Central Finance Board	£20,677 - unrestricted funds for emergency cost items.
	£7,112 - designated long term, large maintenance projects, more then 5 years.
Luncheon Club	£3,657 restricted funds to cover the costs of running the Luncheon Club outreach and equipment for the use of all users.
Chat & Craft	£287 - running costs of the Chat & Craft outreach.
Wednesday Fellowship	£57 - running costs of the group and donations to chosen charities.

Plans for 2024/2025

Continue to maintain the Church's life of worship and service within the community and wider world as reported in our "Review of year". We strive to reach out further into our community, engaging with Salford Health Improvement Team, local doctors surgeries etc. We continue "live streaming" our Church services making them accessible to all no matter where they are at a time to suit them. We look at all ages within our Church and community, from young to elderly and different abilities and disabilities. Our British Sign Language group continue to meet and invite anyone who wishes to come along. We try to, when we can, use British Sign Language within our worship. We are planning to host various events, advertising them widely in the community, through local schools, community buildings and social media. Our Family and Friends and Cinema events have proven to be popular and are events for all ages and disabilities. We continue to look for ways of developing our external user groups as mentioned previously and work together to support and enhance facilities open to all.

Church financial plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis: We monitor our income against our expenditure working towards an agreed budget. We promote our premises wherever possible to attract new income. We look for better deals with utilities and adopt an environmental approach to the management of our buildings. We promote giving, gift aiding and legacies when appropriate.

Walkden Methodist Church

Aims and organisation

Putting the worship of God at the centre of all we do. Caring for & nurturing all those involved in our Church. Expressing our Christian concerns by action in our comminity. Sharing our faith with everyone.

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been since the Date of Union the advancement of:

a) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and 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

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship
The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.
The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
Provision of chaplaincy services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Property & Finance Team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church.

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions .

Related Parties

The Church is part of the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit which is part of the Bolton & Rochdale District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisation(s) linked to this church is / are Luncheon Club.

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Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to 7 months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.
A detailed explanation of funds are included in the Trustees Annual Report

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Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2024

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated (Designated)	Totals this year £	Previous year totals £
Incoming Resources						
1 Assessment or Share						
2 Collections/gift day/gift aid	*39,604*				39,604	45,608
3 Interest and Investment Income	8,203	892		354	9,449	6,183
4 Donations	1,847				1,847	5,105
5 Contributions from Circuit Advance Funds						
6 Connexional Advance & Priority Fund distribution						
7 fund raising income	1,803				1,803	1,385
8 Other income, lettings/trading	31,596			166	31,762	28,758
9 Internal organisations		4,467			4,467	2,312
10 **Total Incoming Resources**	**83,053**	**5,359**		**520**	**88,932**	**89,351**
Resources Expended						
11 Salaries and associated costs	2,834				2,834	5,200
12 Circuit Assessment	38,911				38,911	45,724
13 Expenditure on Property repair/maintenance	13,179				13,179	4,343
14 other expenses	6,001	47			6,048	7,399
15 Insurance, utilities etc	15,337				15,337	15,102
16 Internal Organisations		2,917			2,917	2,505
17 Depreciation	1,863				1,863	2,116
18 Provisions						
19 Benevolence	2,400				2,400	2,350
20 Ecumenical and New Communities						
21 Training						
22 Professional fees						
23 **Total Resources Expended**	**80,525**	**2,964**			**83,489**	**84,739**
24 **Net Incoming Resources**	2,528	2,395		520	**5,443**	**4,612**
25 Transfers between funds	111			-111		
26 **Sub Total**	2,639	2,395		409	5,443	4,612
27 Gains/losses -Revalue invest Property						
28 **Net investment in funds**				409		
29 Total funds brought forward from last year	2,673,507	81,513	49	18,148	2,773,217	2,768,605
30 **Total funds carried forward at end of year**	2,676,146	83,908	49	18,557	2,778,660	2,773,217

For information only: Money received and passed on to External Organisations

Balance brought forward from last year		
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	4,880	7,435
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	4,880	7,435
Balance still to be paid		

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Fund (Restricted) £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated Funds £	Totals this year £	Totals last year £
Tangible Fixed Assets*						
Property	2,260,000				2,260,000	2,260,000
Equipment	11,240				11,240	12,316
Investments Property	300,000				300,000	300,000
Total fixed assets	2,571,240				2,571,240	2,572,316
Current Assets						
Debtors and Prepayments	3,314				3,314	3,115
Loans						
Central Finance Board and Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes Deposits etc	92,535	79,907	49	7,112	179,603	178,382
Cash at Bank and in hand	9,149			11,445	20,594	19,043
Internal Organisations		4,001			4,001	2,451
Total current assets	104,998	83,908	49	18,557	207,512	202,991
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 year)	92				92	2,090
Net current assets/liabilities	104,906	83,908	49	18,557	207,420	200,901
Total assets less current liabilities	2,676,146	83,908	49	18,557	2,778,660	2,773,217
Creditors and Accruals (due after more than 1 year)						
Loans						
Net assets	2,676,146	83,908	49	18,557	2,778,660	2,773,217
Funds of the District						
General Fund (Unrestricted)	2,676,146				2,676,146	2,669,499
District Advance Fund (Restricted)		83,908			83,908	81,237
Other Funds (Restricted)			49		49	49
Designated Funds				18,557	18,557	17,820
Total Funds	2,676,146	83,908	49	18,557	2,778,660	2,768,605

* Details - see page 6

Summary of the Connected Organisations reporting to the Church Council. Note that the funds of a Connected Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could clearly be shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose.

Connected Organisations	Opening balances	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Donations	Closing balances
Luncheon Club	2,451	3,135	1,929	1,206		3,657
Chat & Craft		702	315	387	100	287
Wednesday Fellowship		630	273	357	300	57
Total	2,451	4,467	2,517	1,950	400	4,001

Total Receipts	Total Payments

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities applicable in the UK (effective from 1 January 2015) – the Charities SORP (FRSSE) – in replacement for the SORP's 2005 version specified in its related 2008 Regulations and in accordance with the 'true and fair override' provision contained therein. The Accounts have been prepared as a on going concern which assumes that the charity will continue in operational existance for the foreseable future. The Trustees continue to assess all income and expenditure that liabilities can be met.

2. Funds.

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted, see fund balances breakdown. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There is also the following Endowment funds as listed represents a gift - the capital, the income is either restricted or unrestircted. Details of each material fund are disclosed in Note 16 . Any funds may be represented by more than iust cash.

3. Accounting policies

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, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment. When the grant 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 as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.
The freehold property is shown at Insurance Value cost and was revalued in 2022. Other land & building were also revalued in 2022 & the Nursery Unit has been revalued 2024 and remains at the same value due to market conditions (see notes 12 & 13). Depreciation of fixtures is charged at a rate of 15% reducing balance. Capalisation policy: fixed assets are capitalised if purchases are over £100.

Investment Properties

Investment properties - property is being held for long term purpose of the charity.

Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

General fund debtors represent items paid in advance and amounts owing.

Creditors

Creditors represent bills outstanding and monies collected to be paid over.

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4. Donations (SOFA 2)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Collections & gift Day	32,106	-	**32,106**	36,123
Tax credits- gift aid	7,498	-	**7,498**	9,485
Total	**39,604**	**-**	**39,604**	**45,608**

5. Charitable activities (SOFA 7)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Fun raising income				
Fund raising -general funds	1,804	-	**1,803**	1,385
Fund raising -designated	-	-	**-**	-
Total	**1,803**	**-**	**1,803**	**1,385**

6. Other Income & Trading (SOFA 8)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
lettings	28,980	-	**28,980**	24,784
cards, fair trade, books etc	239	-	**239**	2,669
other income	2,377	-	**2,377**	1,203
other income designated	166	-	**166**	102
Total	**31,762**	**-**	**31,762**	**28,758**

7. Investment income (SOFA 3)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Interest:				
Central Finance Board 1	1,024	-	**1,024**	692
CFB 2 - designated	354	-	**354**	227
TMCP	7,179	892	**8,071**	5,264
Total	**8,557**	**892**	**9,449**	**6,183**

8. Other SOFA 9)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Luncheon Club	-	3,135	**3,135**	2,312
Chat & Craft	-	702	**702**	2,312
Wednesday Fellowship	-	630	**630**	
	-	**4,467**	**4,467**	2,312

Donations(SOFA 4)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2024 Total £	2023 Total £
Donations- General funds	1,847	-	**1,847**	5,105
Donations- designated funds	-	-	**-**	-
Total	**1,847**	**-**	**1,847**	5,105

9. Payment to Trustees

		2024	2023
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£		
Number of trustees who were paid expenses			
Nature of the expenses			
If there are no payments to Trustees, please record no expenses were paid.			
Total amount paid	£		

10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£	360	360
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£		

11. Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£	2,834	5,200
Employer's National Insurance costs	£		
Pension costs	£		
Total staff costs	£	2,834	5,200
Average number of staff employeed during the year were:		1	1

12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	2,260,000	300,000			158,065		2,718,065
Additions					787		787
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	2,260,000	300,000			158,852		2,718,852
Accumulated depreciation							
Balance brought forward					145,749		145,749
Depreciation charge for year (-)					1,863		1,863
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward					147,612		147,612
Net book value							
Brought forward	2,260,000	300,000	-	-	14,133		2,574,133
Carried forward	2,260,000	300,000	-	-	11,240		2,571,240

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

Analysis of investment movements

Change in investment values

	2024	2023
	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	300,000	300,000
Add: additions to investments at cost		
Less: disposals at carrying value		
Net gain on revaluation		
Carrying (market) value at end of year	300,000	300,000

14. Analysis of current assets

	2024	2023
Debtors and prepayments	£	£
Pre paid assessments	3,314	3,115
Accrued income		
Other debtors		
Total debtors and prepayments	3,314	3,115

Analysis of cash at bank

Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	9,149	7,653
Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	11,445	11,361
Bank balance held in (Name of bank)		
Total Cash and Bank	20,594	19,043

15. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors

Trade Creditors		
Other Creditors	92	2,090
Total Current Liabilities	92	2,090

16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31st August 2024 the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2024

17. Loans and creditors due after one year

Loans

Source	Amount brought forward £	New borrowings £	Loan interest £	Repayable in the year £	Balance at year end £

Repayment due	Totals
Due within 12 months	
Due after more than 12 months	
Total	

Purpose of loans

Creditors due after one year

Name of creditor	Amount on 31-Aug-2024	Amount on 31-Aug-2023
Total		

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18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Unrestricted Funds	2,691,655	83,573	80,525			2,694,703
						-
						-
						-
Totals	2,691,655	83,573	80,525	-	-	2,694,703

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Redevelopment Fund	15,942	861	45			16,758
Sale Of Recreation Ground	35,748					35,748
Bequest	26,607					26,607
E&M Rushton Bequest	197					197
E Wolstenholme Bequest	568	31	2			597
Luncheon Club	2,451	3,135	1,929			3,657
Chat & Craft		702	415			287
Wednesday Fellowship		630	573			57
Totals	81,513	5,359	2,964			83,908

Endowment Funds

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
E & M Rushton	49					49
Totals	49					49

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Appendix A

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & KEY LAY WORKERS

MINISTER(S)	Rev Sarah Knebel	Until August 24
	Mr P Irwin	Circuit Representative
LAY WORKERS	Mr S E Platt	until Feburary 2024
CHURCH STEWARDS	Mrs L Price	
	Mrs D Winnard	until May 24
	Mrs E V Hancox	
	Mrs A Bennett	
	Mrs J Taylor	
	Mrs E Nelson	
	Mr J J O'Neill	
	Mrs S M Poole	
	Mr A B Stribling	Until August 23

CHURCH SAFEGUARDING CO-ORDINATORS

Mrs J Marsh (Youth, Childrens & Vunerable Adults Safeguarding Co-ordinator)	
Mr D Cowpe (Youth & Childrens Safeguarding Co-ordinators)	Until Sept 23
Dr E Vasanth (Vunerable Adults Safeguarding Co-ordinator)	Until Aug 23

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES (OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL)

1	Mrs B Edge	
2	Mrs M Lever	Until February 24
3	Mrs P Ashton	
4	Mr L O'Neill	
5	Mrs M O'Neill -	Church Treasurer
6	Mrs G Dearden	
7	Mrs E O Kennedy -	Church Council Secretary
8	Mrs C Sniadek	
9	Mr D McCormick	
10	Mrs M McCormick	
12	Mrs S Henshaw	From April 24
13	Mrs J Lomax	From April 24

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer		Date	11-Mar-25
Name	Margaret O'Neill		
Address	30 Meadow Walk, Astley, Manchester M29 7FA		

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been presented to the Church Council on	11-Mar-25
and were approved on	11-Mar-25
Signature of the Chair of the meeting	
Name of the Chair of the meeting	**Rev Darren Garfield**
Date	**11-Mar-25**

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Walkden Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2024

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independer examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

* Delete as applicable

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

(3) I have/~~have not~~* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name: ANDREW BARTON FCA

Signature: A M Barton

Relevant Professional qualification or body: ICAEW

Address: SUITE 6 ELLESMERE HOUSE, 1 PENNINGTON STREET, WORSLEY, MANCHESTER, M28 3LR

Date: 23/6/25

WALKDEN METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1129994

Accounts

Church
Accruals Accounts
2022-2023

THE METHODIST CHURCH

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Accruals Basis
for the year ended 31 August 2023

Walkden Methodist **Church**

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable) 1129994

Farnworth & Worsley	**Circuit No**	6 3

Minister	Rev Sarah Knebel
Church Stewards	
	Mrs L Price
	Mrs D Winnard
	Mrs E V Hancox
	Mrs A Bennett
	Mrs J Taylor
	Mrs E Nelson
	Mr J J O'Neill
	Mrs S M Poole
	Mr A B Stribling
Church Secretary	Mrs E O Kennedy
Church Treasurer	Mrs M O'Neill

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TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Introduction

Walkden Methodist Church is an amalgamation of St Andrews Methodist Church & Memorial Road Methodist Church in 2002. It is sited on Manchester Road East. Regular worship takes place on Sunday mornings and occasional evenings. Baptisms, weddings and funerals as requested. We hold bible study and fellowship groups. Also young church which is known as YCT (Youth & Church Together) that meet term times, on Sunday mornings.

We also provide rooms for rental to the wider community.

Aims and organisation- Mission Statement

Putting the WORSHIP OF GOD at the centre of all we do.
CARING for and NURTURING all those involved in our Church.
Expressing our Christian concerns BY ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITY
SHARING our faith with everyone.

Review of the year

Strengthen links with our school, St Andrews Primary School. The School visits Church for acts of worship. There are two Foundation and one co-opted Governors on the School Board who support the School wherever possible. For example helping at School fairs. A Minister led weekly act of worship is held in School and special services, such as Christmas and Easter services are held in Church. A holiday club and R.E. learning experiences are held at Church which all help to strengthen School links. We continue to reach out into our local community by hosting weekly coffee mornings, one of which offers British Sign Language practise sessions, luncheon club meet twice a month providing food for all including the elderly and those who live alone which enhances fellowship. The Church hosts Wednesday Fellowship, Chat and Craft, Uniformed Organisations: Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers. Plus other community activities such as Karate, Slimming World World, MoreLife (UK) Ltd who offer lifestyle coaching. Edgefold Players a theatrical performance group who meet for rehearsals and hold productions in the Church Hall three times a year. We work with a local Medical Centre where rooms are provided to hold flu vaccine clinics for people who live in our community. The Medical Centre also use Church facilities for meetings. We continue to raise funds for local and world, supporting the work of various mission groups. These include UNICEF, Christian Aid, Teams 4U shoe box appeal, World Missions, Action For Children, Trussell Trust Food Bank, Barnabus, Manchester Wood Street Mission, Ukraine Appeal, Turkey and Syria Earthquake Appeal, Junior Missions For All. St Ann's Hospice with financial contributions and pastoral support for those at the end of life or coping with serious illness and their families. The Churc also supports two charities chosen by the Church membership: Trafford and Salford Association of Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus, who support people living with this and their families in the Manchester area. We give extra financial support to St Ann's Hospice. This support to these two charities will continue until June 2024. We continue to work within our community by hosting Family and Friends Fun afternoons and Cinema events. We host weekly zoom meetings to help support those who live alone or feel themselves isolated. We continue to be aware of events within the world, and pray for wars to cease and talks to begin, for those who serve in our Armed Forces and their families, those people who work for justice, world peace, the NHS and Charities we support. Also those who live in poverty. We continue to support the Phakamisa project in South Africa who aim to serve, uplift impoverished communities through provisions of education, training, resourcing and support. In all ways we actively strive to make a difference within this community we serve and the world.

Income Trends:

Church income is primarily drawn from Sunday collections and Gift Aid given by the congregation and lettings income from external users of the building as previously stated. We continue to recover from Covid 19 which affected our income stream. We continue to keep in contact with our Church members who are unable to attend Church and work with our external users and community where we can. We will continue to promote the Church and facilities, for example via social media and to some degree we have had some success. We now advertise different ways in which people can support the Church and giving can be done via various different ways for example electronically.

Expenditure trends

Our major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit this amounts to approximately 54% of our total outgoings. A significant amount of the Circuit Assessment is used to pay District Assessment, stipends and related costs for Ministers and Circuit Staff. The other expenditure includes benevolent fund support, general maintenance of our buildings, for example heating, lighting costs.
Our Church Membership stand at 92.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2023 the current Church expenditure was £84,679 therefore we hold 7 months' contingency cover.
Which equates to £49,000
Balance Sheet Funds:

Cash in Hand:	£7,653 - Working Capital includes some funds for the Circuit Assessment instalment due 1st September 2023 and day to day running costs of the Church.
	£11,390 - designated development fund - to support, stimulate sustainable growth of the Church, along side growth maintaining and investing in the environment.
Trustees for Methodist Purposes deposits	£71,190 unrestricted funds of which £49.000 contingency cover.
	£22,190 - is held for continuity in the event of large variation of income, bridge cash flow problems, maintenance in line with our 5 year maintenance plan.
	£79,062- restricted funds held for capital redevelopment - £52,406 to cover remaining works included in our building scheme.
	£26,656 remains for future capital redevelopment.
Endowment Funds	£49 - General funds
Central Finance Board	
	£21,323 unrestricted funds for emergency cost items.
	£6,758 - designated funds - savings for future, longer term, large maintenance projects - more than in the 5 year maintenance programme.
Luncheon Club -	£2,451 - restricted funds to cover the costs of running the Luncheon Club outreach and equipment for the use of all users.

Plans for 2023/2024

Continue to maintain the Church's life of worship and service within the community and wider world as reported in our "Review of year". We strive to reach out further into our community , we continue to "live streaming" our Church services making them accessible to all no matter where they are. We look at all ages within our Church and community, from young to elderly and different abilities and disabilities. Our British Sign Language group continue to meet and invite anyone who wishes to come along. We try to, when we can, use British Sign Language within our worship. We are planning to host various events, advertising them widely in the community, through local schools, community buildings and social media. Our Family and Friends Afternoons and Cinema events have proven to be popular and are events for all ages and disabilities. Plans are also underway to run a Youth Alpha Course commencing in September 2023. We continue to look for ways of developing our external user groups as mentioned previously and work together to support and enhance facilities open to all.

Church financial plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis: We monitor our income against expenditure working towards an agreed budget. We promote our premises wherever possible to attract new income. We look for better deals with utilities and adopt an environmental approach to the management of our buildings. We promote giving, gift aiding, legacies when appropriate.

Walkden Methodist Church

Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015

Full name of the Charity/Church Walkden Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): 1129994

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 4 June 2009

Main communication address: Walkden Methodist Church
Manchester Road East, Little Hulton, Walkden, Manchester M38 9AN

The members of the Walkden Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of Church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer:

Mrs M O'Neill *treasurer* acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Ambient Accounting Limited, Suite 6, Ellesmere House, 1 Pennington Street, Walkden, Worsley, MANCHESTER M28 3LR*

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Walkden Methodist Church

Aims and organisation

Putting the worship of God at the centre of all we do. Caring for & nurturing all those involved in our Church. Expressing our Christian concerns by action in our comminity. Sharing our faith with everyone.

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 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

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship
The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.
The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
Provision of chaplaincy services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Property & Finance Team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church.

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions .

Related Parties

The Church is part of the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit which is part of the Bolton & Rochdale District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisation(s) linked to this church is / are Luncheon Club, After hours Youth Groups.

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Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to 7 months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.
A detailed explanation of funds are included in the Trustees Annual Report

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

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated (Designated)	Totals this year £	Previous year totals £
Incoming Resources						
1 Assessment or Share						
2 Collections/gift day/gift aid	*45,608*				45,608	43,678
3 Interest and Investment Income	5,441	515		227	6,183	785
4 Donations	5,105				5,105	3,818
5 Contributions from Circuit Advance Funds						
6 Connexional Advance & Priority Fund distribution						
7 fund raising income	1,385				1,385	3,332
8 Other income, lettings/trading	28,657			101	28,758	22,349
9 Internal organisations		2,312			2,312	1,495
10 **Total Incoming Resources**	**86,196**	**2,827**		**328**	**89,351**	**75,457**
Resources Expended						
11 Salaries and associated costs	5,200				5,200	5,200
12 Circuit Assessment	45,724				45,724	46,180
13 Expenditure on Property repair/maintenance	4,343				4,343	7,947
14 other expenses	7,353	46			7,399	5,466
15 Insurance, utilities etc	15,102				15,102	11,823
16 Internal Organisations		2,505			2,505	2,542
17 Depreciation	2,116				2,116	2,473
18 Provisions						
19 Benevolence	2,350				2,350	400
20 Ecumenical and New Communities						
21 Training						
22 Professional fees						
23 **Total Resources Expended**	**82,188**	**2,551**			**84,739**	**82,031**
24 **Net Incoming Resources**	4,008	276		328	**4,612**	**-6,574**
25 Transfers between funds						
26 **Sub Total**	4,008	276		328	4,612	-6,574
27 Gains/losses -Revalue invest Property						300,400
28 **Net investment in funds**				328		297,426
29 Total funds brought forward from last year	2,669,499	81,237	49	17,820	2,768,605	2,471,179
30 **Total funds carried forward at end of year**	2,673,507	81,513	49	18,148	2,773,217	2,768,605

For information only: Money received and passed on to External Organisations

Balance brought forward from last year		
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	7,435	3,085
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	7,435	3,085
Balance still to be paid		

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Fund (Restricted)	Other Funds (Endownment)	Designated Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets*						
Property	2,260,000				2,260,000	2,260,000
Equipment	12,316				12,316	14,133
Investments Property	300,000				300,000	300,000
Total fixed assets	2,572,316				2,572,316	2,574,133
Current Assets						
Debtors and Prepayments	3,115				3,115	2,624
Loans						
Central Finance Board and Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes Deposits etc	92,513	79,062	49	6,758	178,382	173,170
Cash at Bank and in hand	7,653			11,390	19,043	17,075
Internal Organisations		2,451			2,451	2,644
Total current assets	103,281	81,513	49	18,148	202,991	195,513
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 year)	2,090				2,090	1,041
Net current assets/liabilities	101,191	81,513	49	18,148	200,901	194,472
Total assets less current liabilities	2,673,507	81,513	49	18,148	2,773,217	2,768,605
Creditors and Accruals (due after more than 1 year)						
Loans						
Net assets	2,673,507	81,513	49	18,148	2,773,217	2,768,605
Funds of the District						
General Fund (Unrestricted)	2,673,507				2,669,499	2,669,499
District Advance Fund (Restricted)		81,513			81,237	81,237
Other Funds (Restricted)			49		49	49
Designated Funds				18,148	17,820	17,820
Total Funds	2,673,507	81,513	49	18,148	2,773,217	2,768,605

* Details - see page 6

Summary of the Connected Organisations reporting to the Church Council. Note that the funds of a Connected Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could clearly be shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose.

Connected Organisations	Opening balances	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Donations	Closing balances
Luncheon Club	1,748	2,312	- 1,609	2,451	-	2,451
After Hours	896	-	-	-	- 896	-
						-
						-
						-
						-
						-
						-
						-
Total	2,644	2,312	- 1,609	2,451	- 896	2,451

Total Receipts	Total Payments

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities applicable in the UK (effective from 1 January 2015) – the Charities SORP (FRSSE) – in replacement for the SORP's 2005 version specified in its related 2008 Regulations and in accordance with the 'true and fair override' provision contained therein. The Accounts have been prepared as a on going concern which assumes that the charity will continue in operational existance for the foreseable future. The Trustees continue to assess all income and expenditure that liabilities can be met.

2. Funds.

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted, see fund balances breakdown. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There is also the following Endowment funds as listed represents a gift - the capital, the income is either restricted or unrestircted. Details of each material fund are disclosed in Note 16 . Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3. Accounting policies

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, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment. When the grant 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 as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.
The freehold property is shown at Insurance Value cost and was revalued in 2022. Other land & building were also revalued in 2022 (see Notes 12&13) & nursery Unit in 2019. Depreciation of fixtures is charged at a rate of 15% reducing balance. Capalisation policy: fixed assets are capitalised if purchases are over £100.

Investment Properties

Investment properties - property is being held for long term purpose of the charity.

Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

General fund debtors represent items paid in advance and amounts owing.

Creditors

Creditors represent bills outstanding and monies collected to be paid over.

Walkden Methodist Church

4. Donations (SOFA 2)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Collections & gift Day	36,123		**36,123**	37,820
Tax credits- gift aid	9,485		**9,485**	5,858
Total	**45,608**	-	**45,608**	**43,678**

5. Charitable activities (SOFA 7)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Fun raising income				
Fund raising -general funds	1,385		**1,385**	3,332
Fund raising -designated				
Total	**1,385**	-	**1,385**	**3,332**

6. Other Income & Trading (SOFA 8)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
lettings	24,784		**24,784**	20,343
cards, fair trade, books etc	2,669		**2,669**	148
other income	1,204		**1,204**	1,743
other income designated	101		**101**	115
Total	**28,758**	-	**28,758**	**22,349**

7. Investment income (SOFA 3)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Interest:				
Central Finance Board 1	692		**692**	68
CFB 2 - designated	227		**227**	27
TMCP	4,749	515	**5,264**	690
Total	**5,668**	**515**	**6,183**	**785**

8. Other SOFA 9)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2023 Total £	2022 Total £
Luncheon club		2312	**2,312**	1,495
Total	-	2312	**2,312**	1,495

Donations(SOFA 4)			2023 Total	2022 Total
Donations- General funds	5,105		**5,105**	3,818
Donations- designated funds				
Total	**5,105**	-	**5,105**	3,818

TOT INCOME SOFA 2023	**86,524**	**2,827**	**£89,351**	**£75,457**

9. Payment to Trustees

		2023	2022
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£		
Number of trustees who were paid expenses			
Nature of the expenses			
If there are no payments to Trustees, please record no expenses were paid.			
Total amount paid	£		

10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£	360	360
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£		

11. Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£	5,200	5,200
Employer's National Insurance costs	£		
Pension costs	£		
Total staff costs	£	5,200	5,200
Average number of staff employeed during the year were:		1	1

12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	2,260,000	300,000			157,766		2,717,766
Additions					299		299
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	2,260,000	300,000			158,065		2,718,065

Accumulated depreciation

Balance brought forward					143,633		143,633
Depreciation charge for year (-)					2,116		2,116
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward					145,749		145,749

Net book value

Brought forward	2,260,000	300,000	-	-	14,133		2,574,133
Carried forward	2,260,000	300,000	-	-	12,316		2,572,316

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

Analysis of investment movements

Change in investment values

	2023	2022
	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	300,000	271,000
Add: additions to investments at cost		29,000
Less: disposals at carrying value		
Net gain on revaluation		29,000
Carrying (market) value at end of year	300,000	300,000

14. Analysis of current assets

	2023	2022
Debtors and prepayments	£	£
Pre paid assessments	3,115	2,624
Accrued income		
Other debtors		
Total debtors and prepayments	3,115	3,115

Analysis of cash at bank

Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	7,653	5,786
Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	11,361	11,289
Bank balance held in (Name of bank)		
Total Cash and Bank	17,075	19,043

15. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors

Trade Creditors		
Other Creditors	2,090	1,041
Total Current Liabilities	2,090	1,041

16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31st August 2023 the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2023

17. Loans and creditors due after one year

Loans

Source	Amount brought forward £	New borrowings £	Loan interest £	Repayable in the year £	Balance at year end £

Repayment due	Totals
Due within 12 months	
Due after more than 12 months	
Total	

18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Unrestricted Funds	2,687,319	86,524	-82,188			2,691,655
Totals	2,687,319	86,524	-82,188			2,691,655

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Redevelopment Fund	15,489	497	-44			15,942
Sale Of Recreation Ground	35,748					35,748
Bequest	26,607					26,607
E&M Rushton Bequest	197					197
E Wolstenholme Bequest	552	18	-2			568
Luncheon Club	1,748	2,312	-1,609			2,451
After Hours	896		-896			
Totals	81,237	2,827	-2,551			81,513

Endowment Funds

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
E & M Rushton	49					49
Totals	49					49

Fund purposes

Restricted funds listed are for Capital Redevelopment

Luncheon club is for Luncheon Club facilities

After Hours is for Youth Work

Endowment Fund - for General Purpose

Reasons for transfer between funds

Walkden Methodist Church

Appendix A

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & KEY LAY WORKERS

MINISTER(S) Rev Sarah Knebel

Mr P Irwin — Circuit Representative

LAY WORKERS Mr S E Platt

CHURCH STEWARDS
Mrs L Price
Mrs D Winnard
Mrs E V Hancox
Mrs A Bennett
Mrs J Taylor
Mrs E Nelson
Mr J J O'Neill
Mrs S M Poole
Mr A B Stribling

CHURCH SAFEGUARDING CO-ORDINATORS

Mr D Cowpe (Youth & Childrens Safeguarding Co-ordinators)
Dr E Vasanth (Vunerable Adults Safeguarding Co-ordinator)

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES (OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL)

1 Mrs B Edge
2 Mrs M Lever
3 Mrs P Ashton
4 Mr L O'Neill
5 Mrs J Marsh
6 Mrs M O'Neill - Church Treasurer
7 Mrs G Dearden
8 Mrs E O Kennedy - Church Council Secretary
9 Mrs C Sniadek
10 Mr D McCormick
11 Mrs M McCormick

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer | Date 15-Apr-24

Name: Margaret O'Neill

Address: 30 Meadow Walk, Astley, Manchester M29 7FA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been ~~or will be~~ (*) presented to the Church Council on

and were or will be approved (*) on 15-Apr-24

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting: **Rev Sarah Knebel**

Date: 15/04/2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Walkden Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2023

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independer examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

* Delete as applicable

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

(3) I have/~~have not~~* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name: ANDREW BARTON

Signature: awbarton

Relevant Professional qualification or body: FCA

Address: SUITE 6 ELLESMERE HOUSE 1 PENNINGTON STREET MANCHESTER M28 3LR

Date: 21/6/24

WALKDEN METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1129994

Accounts

Church
Accruals Accounts
2021-2022

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Reports And Accounts
Accruals Basis
for the year ended 31 August 2022

Walkden Methodist	Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)	1129994

Farnworth & Worsley	Circuit No	6 3

Minister	Rev Sarah Knebel
Church Stewards	
	Mrs L Price
	Mrs D Winnard
	Mrs E V Hancox
	Mrs A Bennett
	Mrs J Taylor
	Mrs E Nelson
	Mr J J O'Neill
	Mrs S M Poole
	Mr A B Stribling
Church Secretary	Mrs E O Kennedy
Church Treasurer	Mrs M O'Neill

Walkden Methodist Church

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Introduction

Walkden Methodist Church is an amalgamation of St Andrews Methodist Church & Memorial Road Methodist Church in 2002. It is sited on Manchester Road East. Regular worship takes place on Sunday mornings and occassional evenings. Baptisms, weddings and funerals as requested. There are also mid-week devotional and fellowship groups meetings. Young Church known as YCT (Youth & Church Together) meet on Sunday mornings. We also provide rooms for rental to the wider Community.

Aims and organisation- Mission Statement

Putting the WORSHIP OF GOD at the centre of all we do.
CARING for and NURTURING all those involved in our Church.
Expressing our Christian concerns BY ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITY
SHARING our faith with everyone.

Review of the year

Strengthen links with our school, St Andrews Primary School. The School visits Church for acts of worship. There are two Foundation Govenors on the School Board who support the School wherever possible. For example helping at School fairs. A Minister led weekly act of worship, a school assembly is held in School. A holiday club and R.E. learning experiences were held at Church which all help to strengthen School links. We continue our outreach to our local community, we hold weekly coffee mornings, luncheon club meet twice a month providing food for all including elderly, housebound and those who live alone which enchances fellowship. The Church hosts Wednesday Fellowship, Chat and Craft, Uniformed Organisations-Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers. Plus other community activities such as Karate, Slimming World, Salford Leisure dancing group. Edgefold Players a theatrical performance group who meet for rehersals and hold productions in the Church Hall three times a year. We work with a local Medical Centre where rooms are provided to hold flu vaccine clinics for people who live in our community. The Medical Centre also use Church facilities for meetings. We continue to raise funds for local and the wider world, supporting the work of various mission groups. These include Unicef, Christian Aid, Teams 4U shoe box appeal, World Missions, Action for Children, Trussell Trust Food Bank, Barnabus, Manchester Wood Street Mission, Ukraine Appeal. St Ann's Hospice with financial contributions and pastoral support for those at the end of life or coping with serious illness and their families. We continue to support a local girl living with cerebral palsy through our Church Charity, until May 2022. In June 2022 new Church Charities were choosen: Trafford and Salford Association for Spina Bifida and Hydrocephalus, who support people living with this and their families in the Manchester area. We also give extra financial support for St Ann's Hospice . This will be for two years. We continue to host weekly zoom meetings to help support those who live alone or feel themselves isolated. We continue to be aware of events within the world, and pray for wars to cease and talks to begin, for those who serve in our Armed Forces, those people who work for justice, world peace, the NHS and the Charities we support. Also for those who live in poverty. We continue to support the Phakamisa project in South Africa who aim to serve, uplift impoverished communities through provisions of education, training, resourcing and support. In all ways we actively strive to make a within this community we serve and the world.

Income Trends- Church income is primarily drawn from Sunday collections and Gift Aid given by the congregation and lettings income from external users of the building as previously stated. We continue to recover from the Covid 19 Pandemic which drastically affected our income stream. We continue to keep in contact with our Church members who are unable to attend Church and work with our external users and community where we can. We will continue to promote the Church and facilities, for example via social media.

Expenditure trends

Our major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit this amounts to approximately 53% of our total outgoings. A significant amount of the Circuit Assessment is used to pay District Assessment, stipends and related costs for Ministers and Circuit Staff. The other expenditure includes benevolent fund support, general maintenance of our buildings, for example external painting and heating, lighting costs etc.

Our Church Membership stands at 97

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2022 the current Church expenditure was £82,031, therefore we hold 7 months' contingency cover. Which equates to £48,000

Balance Sheet Funds:

Cash in Hand: £5,786 - Working Capital includes some funds for the Circuit Assessment instalment due 1st September 2022 and day to day running costs of the Church.

£11,289 - designated development fund - to support, stimulate sustainable growth of the Church, along side growth maintaining and investing in the environment.

Trustees for Methodist Purposes deposits £68,596 unrestricted funds of which £48.000 contingency cover.

£20,596 - is held for continuity in the event of large variation of income, bridge cash flow problems, maintenance in line with our 5 year maintenance plan.

£78,593 - restricted funds held for capital redevelopment - £52,406 to cover remaining works included in our building scheme.

£26,187 remains for future capital redevelopment.

Endowment Funds £49 - General funds

Central Finance Board

£19,401 unrestricted funds for emergency cost items.

£6,531 - designated funds - savings for future, longer term, large maintenance projects - more than in the 5 year maintenance programme.

Luncheon Club - £1,748 restricted funds to cover the costs of running the Luncheon Club outreach and equipment for the use of all users.

After Hours Youth Groups- £896 - Restricted funds for youth work outreach.

Plans for 2022/2023

Continue to maintain the Church's life of worship and service within the community and wider world as reported in our "Review of year". We strive to reach out further into our community , as well as "live streaming" our Church services, making them accessible to all no matter where they are. We are looking at all ages within our Church and community, from young to elderly and different abilities and disabilities. We have a group who are learning British Sign Language and regularly meet to practise. We are planning to host various events, advertising them widely in the community through local schools, community buildings and social media. For example we are planning to host a Friends and Family Fun Event which will be an event for all ages and abilities. Plans are also underway for film events, and running a Youth Alpha Course. We continue to look for ways of developing our external user groups as mentioned previously and to work together to support and enhance facilities open to all. Church financial plans for the coming year have been prepared on the basis: We monitor our income against expenditure working towards an agreed budget. We promote our premises wherever possible to attract new income. We look for better deals with utilities and adopt an enviromental approach to the management of our buildings.
We promote giving, gift aiding when appropriate.

Walkden Methodist Church

Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015

Full name of the Charity/Church Walkden Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): 1129994

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 4 June 2009

Main communication address: Walkden Methodist Church
Manchester Road East, Little Hulton, Walkden, Manchester M38 9AN

The members of the Walkden Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of Church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer:

Mrs M O'Neill *treasurer* acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Ambient Accounting Limited, Suite 6, Ellesmere House, Pennington Street, Walkden, Worsley, MANCHESTER M28 3LR*

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Walkden Methodist Church

Aims and organisation

Putting the worship of God at the centre of all we do. Caring for & nurturing all those involved in our Church. Expressing our Christian concerns by action in our comminity. Sharing our faith with everyone.

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 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

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship
The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.
The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
Provision of chaplaincy services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Property & Finance Team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church.

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions .

Related Parties

The Church is part of the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit which is part of the Bolton & Rochdale District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisation(s) linked to this church is / are Luncheon Club, After hours Youth Groups.

Walkden Methodist Church

Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to 7 months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.
A detailed explanation of funds are included in the Trustees Annual Report

Walkden Methodist Church

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

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated (Designated)	Totals this year £	Previous year totals £
Incoming Resources						
1 Assessment or Share					-	
2 Collections/gift day/gift aid	*43,678*				43,678	43,249
3 Interest and Investment Income	683	75		27	785	540
4 Donations	3,818				3,818	2,164
5 Contributions from Circuit Advance Funds					-	
6 Connexional Advance & Priority Fund distribution					-	
7 fund raising income	3,332				3,332	
8 Other income, lettings/trading	22,235			114	22,349	11,522
9 Internal organisations		1,495			1,495	
10 **Total Incoming Resources**	**73,746**	**1,570**	**-**	**141**	**75,457**	**57,475**
Resources Expended						
11 Salaries and associated costs	5,200				5,200	5,980
12 Circuit Assessment	46,180				46,180	45,612
13 Expenditure on Property repair/maintenance	7,947				7,947	4,339
14 other expenses	5,421	45			5,466	3,930
15 Insurance, utilities etc	11,823				11,823	8,915
16 Internal Organisations		2,542			2,542	475
17 Depreciation	2,473				2,473	2,555
18 Provisions					-	
19 Benevolence	400				400	2,350
20 Ecumenical and New Communities					-	
21 Training					-	
22 Professional fees					-	
23 Total Resources Expended	**79,444**	**2,587**	**-**	**-**	**82,031**	**74,156**
24 Net Incoming Resources	- 5,698	- 1,017		141	- 6,574	**- 16,681**
25 Transfers between funds	108			- 108		
26 **Sub Total**	- 5,590	- 1,017	-	33	- 6,574	- 16,681
27 Gains/losses -Revalue invest Property	304,000				304,000	
28 **Net investment in funds**	298,410	- 1,017	-	33	297,426	- 16,681
29 Total funds brought forward from last year	2,371,089	82,254	49	17,787	2,471,179	2,487,860
30 Total funds carried forward at end of year	2,669,499	81,237	49	17,820	2,768,605	2,471,179

For information only: Money received and passed on to External Organisations

Balance brought forward from last year		
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	3,085	525
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	3,085	525
Balance still to be paid		

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Fund (Restricted) £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated Funds £	Totals this year £	Totals last year £
Tangible Fixed Assets*						
Property	2,260,000				2,260,000	1,985,000
Equipment	14,133				14,133	14,593
Investments Property	300,000				300,000	271,000
Total fixed assets	2,754,133				2,574,133	2,270,593
Current Assets						
Debtors and Prepayments	2,624				2,624	3,248
Loans						
Central Finance Board and Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes Deposits etc	87,997	78,593	49	6,531	173,170	172,783
Cash at Bank and in hand	5,786			11,289	17,075	22,278
Internal Organisations		2,644			2,644	3,692
Total current assets	96,407	81,237	49	17,820	195,513	202,001
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 year)	1,041				1,041	1,415
Net current assets/liabilities	95,366	81,237	49	17,820	194,472	200,586
Total assets less current liabilities	2,669,499	81,237	49	17,820	2,768,605	2,471,179
Creditors and Accruals (due after more than 1 year)						
Loans						
Net assets	2,669,499	81,237	49	17,820	2,768,605	2,471,179
Funds of the District						
General Fund (Unrestricted)	2,669,499				2,669,499	2,371,089
District Advance Fund (Restricted)		81,237			81,237	82,254
Other Funds (Restricted)			49		49	49
Designated Funds				17,820	17,820	17,787
Total Funds	2,669,499	81,237	49	17,820	2,768,605	2,471,179

* Details - see page 6

Summary of the Connected Organisations reporting to the Church Council. Note that the funds of a Connected Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could clearly be shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose.

Connected Organisations	Opening balances	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Donations	Closing balances
Luncheon Club	2,796	1,495	1,543	- 48	- 1,000	1,748
After Hours	896					896
Total	3,692	1,495	1,543	- 48	- 1,000	2,644

Total Receipts	Total Payments

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities applicable in the UK (effective from 1 January 2015) – the Charities SORP (FRSSE) – in replacement for the SORP's 2005 version specified in its related 2008 Regulations and in accordance with the 'true and fair override' provision contained therein. The Accounts have been prepared as a on going concern which assumes that the charity will continue in operational existance for the foreseable future. The Trustees continue to assess all income and expenditure that liabilities can be met.

2. Funds.

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted, see fund balances breakdown. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There is also the following Endowment funds as listed represents a gift - the capital, the income is either restricted or unrestircted. Details of each material fund are disclosed in Note 16 . Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3. Accounting policies

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, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment. When the grant 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 as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.
The freehold property is shown at Insurance Value cost and was revalued in 2022. Other land & building were also revalued in 2022 (see Notes 12&13) & nursery Unit in 2019. Depreciation of fixtures is charged at a rate of 15% reducing balance. Capalisation policy: fixed assets are capitalised if purchases are over £100.

Investment Properties

Investment properties - property is being held for long term purpose of the charity.

Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

General fund debtors represent items paid in advance and amounts owing.

Creditors

Creditors represent bills outstanding and monies collected to be paid over.

Walkden Methodist Church

4. Donations (SOFA 2)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Collections & gift Day	37,820		**37,820**	38,027
Tax credits- gift aid	5,858		**5,858**	5,222
Total	**43,678**	-	**43,678**	**43,249**

5. Charitable activities (SOFA 7)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Fun raising income				
Fund raising -general funds	3,332		**3,332**	
Fund raising -designated				
Total	**3,332**	-	-	-

6. Other Income & Trading (SOFA 8)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
lettings	20,345		**20,345**	11,516
cards, fair trade, books etc	147		**147**	5
other income	1,743		**1,743**	-
other income designated	114		**115**	1
Total	**22,349**	-	**22,349**	**11,522**

7. Investment income (SOFA 3)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Interest:				
Central Finance Board 1	68		**68**	17
CFB 2 - designated	27		**27**	9
TMCP	615	75	**690**	514
Total	**710**	**75**	**785**	**540**

8. Other SOFA 9)	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Coffee			-	-
Luncheon club		1,495	**1,495**	-
Total	-	**1,495**	**1,495**	-

Donations (SOFA 4)	£	£	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Donations- General funds	3,818		**3,818**	2,164
Donations- designated funds				
Total	**3,818**	-	**3,818**	2,164

9. Payment to Trustees

		2022	2021
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£		
Number of trustees who were paid expenses			
Nature of the expenses			
If there are no payments to Trustees, please record no expenses were paid.			
Total amount paid	£		

10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£	360	360
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£		

11. Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£	5,200	5,980
Employer's National Insurance costs	£		
Pension costs	£		
Total staff costs	£	5,200	5,980
Average number of staff employeed during the year were:		1	1

12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	1,985,000	271,000			155,753		2,411,753
Additions					2,013		2,013
Revaluations (+/-)	275,000	29,000					304,000
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	2,260,000	300,000			157,766		2,717,766

Accumulated depreciation

Balance brought forward					141,160		141,160
Depreciation charge for year (-)					2,473		2,473
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward					143,633		143,633

Net book value

Brought forward	1,985,000	271,000	-	-	14,593		2,270,593
Carried forward	2,260,000	300,000	-	-	14,133		2,574,133

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

Analysis of investment movements

Change in investment values

	This year	Prev year
	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	271,000	271,000
Add: additions to investments at cost		
Less: disposals at carrying value		-
Net gain on revaluation	**29,000**	
Carrying (market) value at end of year	300,000	271,000

14. Analysis of current assets

	2022	2021
Debtors and prepayments	£	£
Pre paid assessments	2,624	3,248
Accrued income		-
Other debtors		
Total debtors and prepayments	2,624	3,248

Analysis of cash at bank

Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	5,786	10,995
Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	11,289	11,283
Bank balance held in (Name of bank)		
Total Cash and Bank	17,075	22,278

15. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors

Trade Creditors		
Other Creditors	1,041	1,415
Total Current Liabilities	1,041	1,415

16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31st August 2021 the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2021

17. Loans and creditors due after one year

Loans

Source	Amount brought forward £	New borrowings £	Loan interest £	Repayable in the year £	Balance at year end £

Repayment due	Totals
Due within 12 months	
Due after more than 12 months	
Total	

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18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Unrestricted Funds	2,388,876	73,887	-79,444		304,000	2,687,319
Totals	2,388,876	73,887	-79,444		304,000	2,687,319

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Redevelopment Fund	15,459	74	-44			15,489
Sale Of Recreation Ground	35,748					35,748
Bequest	26,607					26,607
E&M Rushton Bequest	197	1	-1			197
E Wolstenholme Bequest	551	2	-1			552
Luncheon Club	2,796	1,495	-1,543	-1,000		1,748
After Hours	896					896
Totals	82,254	1,572	-1,589	-1,000		81,237

Endowment Funds

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
E & M Rushton	49					49
Totals	49					49

Fund purposes

Restricted funds listed are for Capital Redevelopment

Luncheon club is for Luncheon Club facilities

After Hours is for Youth Work

Endowment Fund - for General Purpose

Walkden Methodist Church

Appendix A

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & KEY LAY WORKERS

MINISTER(S) Rev Sarah Knebel

Mr P Irwin — Circuit Representative

LAY WORKERS Mr S E Platt

CHURCH STEWARDS
Mrs L Price
Mrs D Winnard
Mrs E V Hancox
Mrs A Bennett
Mrs J Taylor
Mrs E Nelson
Mr J J O'Neill
Mrs S M Poole
Mr A B Stribling

CHURCH SAFEGUARDING CO-ORDINATORS

Mr D Cowpe (Youth & Childrens Safeguarding Co-ordinators)
Dr E Vasanth (Vunerable Adults Safeguarding Co-ordinator)

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES (OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL)

1 Mrs B Edge
2 Mrs M Lever
3 Mrs P Ashton
4 Mr L O'Neill
5 Mrs J Marsh
6 Mrs M O'Neill - Church Treasurer
7 Mrs G Dearden
8 Mrs E O Kennedy - Church Council Secretary
9 Mrs C Sniadek
10 Mr D McCormick From June 2022
11 MrsM McCormick From June 2022

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer [signature] Date 28.02.23

Name Margaret O'Neill

Address 30 Meadow Walk, Astley, Manchester M29 7FA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been or will be (*) presented to the Church Council on 28/02/2023

and were or will be approved (*) on 28/02/2023

Signature of the Chair of the meeting [signature]

Name of the Chair of the meeting **Rev Sarah Knebel**

Date 28/02/2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Walkden Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independer examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

* Delete as applicable

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

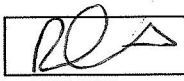
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

(3) I have/have not* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name RICHARD CURLEY

Signature 

Relevant Professional qualification or body FMAAT AATQB ATT

Address SUITE 6 ELLESMERE HOUSE
1 PENNINGTON ST M28 3LR

Date 26/6/2023

WALKDEN METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1129994

Accounts

Church
Accruals Accounts
2020-2021

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Reports And Accounts
Accruals Basis
for the year ended 31 August 2021

Walkden Methodist	Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)	1129994

Farnworth & Worsley	Circuit No	6 3

Minister	Rev Sarah Knebel
Church Stewards	Mrs L Price
	Mrs D Winnard
	Mrs M McCormick (Until May 2021)
	Mrs E V Hancox
	Mr D K McCormick (Until May 2021)
	Mrs A Bennett
	Mrs J Taylor
	Mrs E Nelson
	Mr J J O'Neill
	Mrs S M Poole (From June 2021)
	Mr A B Stribling (From June 2021)
Church Secretary	Mrs E O Kennedy (From July 2021)
Church Treasurer	Mrs M O'Neill

Walkden Methodist Church
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Introduction

Walkden Methodist Church is an amalgamation of St Andrews Methodist Church & Memorial Road Methodist Church in 2002. It is sited on Manchester Road East. Regular worship takes place on Sunday mornings & evenings. Baptisms, weddings and funerals as requested. There are also mid-week devotional groups meetings. Young Church known as YCT (Youth & Church Together) meet on Sunday mornings. We also provide rooms for rental to the wider Community.

Aims and organisation- Mission Statement

Putting the WORSHIP OF GOD at the centre of all we do.
CARING for and NURTURING all those involved in our Church.
Expressing our Christian concerns BY ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITY
SHARING our faith with everyone.

Review of the year

2020/2021 has proved to be a difficult and unprecedented year due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. Our Church premises were closed from the beginning of our financial year due to government guidelines to contain the spread of Coronavirus and preserving life. We were able to open for short periods in December 2020 and April 2021. During our time of closure worship was accessible online and for those who were unable to access technology we provided paper copes that were distributed weekly. Daily reflections were issued by email via the Circuit. We continued to support St Andrews Methodist Primary School by a Minister taking online assemblies and providing some financial support for school transport for children to enable them to attend educational trips when allowed due to Covid. We hosted weekly coffee & chat meetings on zoom and regularly undertook telephone chats and sent cards to support those in need or find themselves isolated. We provided bags to those who lived on their own and a take away pack lunch over Easter. We also provided some gift packs for our young people and families, which included activities and sweets and distributed them. We were able to support a local Medical Surgery with rooms for them to hold Flu Vaccine Clinics within the local community. Church re-opened in May 2021 and we live streamed our Sunday morning services and distributed links to the service via email, Youtube, website and facebook pages. The service can be viewed at a later time if required. We continued to host Chat & Craft and Drop In lunch groups. Weekly community coffee mornings and community activities such as Slimming World, Karate, Probus, Rainbows, Brownies and Guide groups. Edgefold players, a theatrical group, who meet for rehearsals and hold productions in the Church Hall at at various times throughout the year. We continue to raise funds for local and the wider world causes, supporting the work of various mission groups. These include UNICEF, Action for Children Trussel Trust food bank, Manchester Wood Street mission, Teams 4U shoe boxes, Barnabus, Christian Aid, St Ann's Hospice with pastoral support for those at the end of life or coping with serious illness and their families. When we are able we also support them financially through church giving. We continue to support a local girl living with cerebral palsy through our Church Charity. Our support has helped her purchase a comfy chair which enables her to engage more with her family and supports her disability. We continue to be aware of events within the world, we pray for the NHS, those in the Armed Forces, those who work for justice, world peace, the work of the charities that we support and for those who live in poverty. We continue to support the Phakamisa project in South Africa who aim to serve, uplift impoverished communities through provisions of education, training, resourcing and support. In all ways we actively strive to make a difference within this community and the world.

Income Trends: Church income is primarily drawn from Sunday collections and Gift Aid given by the congregation and lettings income from external users of the building as previously stated. The Covid 19 Pandemic has drastically effected our income stream. We continue to keep in contact with our church congregation, those who have not yet returned in-person for worship and work with our external users where we can. We continue to actively promote the work of the Church and buildings, for example via social media.

Expenditure trends

Our major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit this amounts to approximately 61% of our total outgoings. A significant amount of the Circuit Assessment is used to pay District Assessment, stipends and related costs for Ministers and Circuit Staff. The other expenditure includes benevolent fund support, maintenance eg a new gas heating boiler in Wesley Court, and other general running costs such as insurance, heating, lighting etc
Our Church Membership stands at 101.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2021 the current Church expenditure was £74,156, therefore we hold 7 months' contingency cover. Which equates to £43,000.

Balance Sheet Funds:

Cash in Hand £22,278 - £10,995 - working capital includes some monies towards the Circuit Assessment instalment of £11,545 due September 2021, small maintenance expenditure & working capital.
£11,283 - designated development fund - to support, stimulate sustainable growth of the Church, along side growth maintaining and investing in the environment.

Trustees for Methodist
Purposes deposits £68,420 unrestricted funds of which £43,000 contingency cover.
£25,420 - is held for continuity in the event of large variation of income - for example Covid 19 Pandemic, bridge cash flow problems, maintenance in line with our 5 year maintenance plan.
£78,562 - restricted funds held for capital redevelopment - £52,406 to cover remaining works included in our building scheme.
£26,156 remains for future capital redevelopment.

Endowment Funds £49 - General funds

Central Finance Board £19,248 unrestricted funds, includes £7,000 for roof repair and fire alarm works, £12,248 for emergency cost items.
£6,504 - designated funds - savings for future, longer term, large maintenance projects - more than in the 5 year maintenance programme.

Luncheon Club - £2796 Restricted Funds to cover costs of running luncheon club outreach and equipment for all users.

After Hours Youth Groups- £896 - Restricted funds for youth work outreach.

Plans for 2021/2022

Continue to maintain the Church's life of worship and service within the community and wider world as reported in our "Review of year". We continue to adhere to government guidelines on how we manage our premises to preserve life and ensure the safety of those who use our premises. Sunday worship live streaming continues, therefore making our services open to all wherever they may be and whenever they choose to watch. Links to live streaming are on our website, facebook page and Youtube. For those unable to access technology we continue to provide paper copies that are distributed weekly. We continue to work within our local community and look for ways of developing our external users as mentioned previously and work together to support and enhance facilities open to all. In September 2021 we will be hosting a Alpha Course that will run until Easter 2022. We will also be offering a Sign Language course open to all and continuing support to those who wish to learn. We hope that through these courses it will make the Church accessible to more people. Church financial plans for the coming year has been prepared on this basis: We monitor our income against our expenditure working in line with our budget.
We promote our premises wherever possible to attract new income. We look for better deals and apply an environmental approach to the management of our buildings. We promote giving, gift aiding and legacies when appropriate.

Walkden Methodist Church

Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015

Full name of the Charity/Church Walkden Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): 1129994

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 4 June 2009

Main communication address: Walkden Methodist Church
Manchester Road East, Little Hulton, Walkden, Manchester M38 9AN

The members of the Walkden Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of Church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer:

Mrs M O'Neill *treasurer* acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Ambient Accounting Limited, 2nd Floor, Lowry Mill,*
Lees Street, SWINTON M27 6DB

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Walkden Methodist Church

Aims and organisation

Putting the worship of God at the centre of all we do. Caring for & nurturing all those involved in our Church. Expressing our Christian concerns by action in our comminity. Sharing our faith with everyone.

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 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

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship
The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.
The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
Provision of chaplaincy services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Property & Finance Team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church.

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions.

Related Parties

The Church is part of the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit which is part of the Bolton & Rochdale District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisation(s) linked to this church are Luncheon Club and After hours Youth Groups.

Walkden Methodist Church

Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to 7 months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.
A detailed explanation of funds are included in the Trustees Annual Report

Walkden Methodist Church

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2021

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated (Designated)	Totals this year £	Previous year totals £
Incoming Resources						
1 Assessment or Share						
2 Collections/gift day/gift aid	43,249				43,249	38,613
3 Interest and Investment Income	480	51		9	540	1,581
4 Donations	2,164				2,164	2,645
5 Contributions from Circuit Advance Funds						
6 Connexional Advance & Priority Fund distribution						
7 fund raising income						2,391
8 Other income, lettings/trading	11,521			1	11,522	16,376
9 Internal organisations						1,758
10 **Total Incoming Resources**	**57,414**	**51**		**10**	**57,475**	**63,364**
Resources Expended						
11 Salaries and associated costs	5,980				5,980	8,340
12 Circuit Assessment	45,612				45,612	43,440
13 Expenditure on Property repair/maintenance	4,339				4,339	11,947
14 other expenses	3,898	32			3,930	4,750
15 Insurance, utilities etc	8,915				8,915	10,073
16 Internal Organisations	294	181			475	2,234
17 Depreciation	2,555				2,555	2,807
18 Provisions						
19 Benevolence	2,350				2,350	300
20 Ecumenical and New Communities						
21 Training						
22 Professional fees						
23 Total Resources Expended	**73,943**	**213**			**74,156**	**83,891**
24 Net Incoming Resources	-16,529	-162		10	-16,681	**-20,527**
25 Transfers between funds	132			-132		
26 **Sub Total**	-16,397	-162		-122	-16,681	-20,527
27 Gains/losses - bequest						5,000
28 **Net investment in funds**	-16,397	-162		-122	-16,681	-15,527
29 Total funds brought forward from last year	2,387,486	82,416	49	17,909	2,487,860	2,503,387
30 Total funds carried forward at end of year	2,371,089	82,254	49	17,787	2,471,179	2,487,860

For information only: Money received and passed on to External Organisations

Balance brought forward from last year		
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	525	3059
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	525	3059
Balance still to be paid		

Walkden Methodist Church

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Fund (Restricted) £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated Funds £	Totals this year £	Totals last year £
Tangible Fixed Assets*						
Property	1,985,000				1,985,000	1,985,000
Equipment	14,593				14,593	16,103
Investments Property	271,000				271,000	271,000
Total fixed assets	2,270,593				2,270,593	2,272,103
Current Assets						
Debtors and Prepayments	3,248				3,248	2,608
Loans						
Central Finance Board and Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes Deposits etc	87,668	78,562	49	6,504	172,783	180,567
Cash at Bank and in hand	10,995			11,283	22,278	28,559
Internal Organisations		3,692			3,692	4,167
Total current assets	101,911	82,254	49	17,787	202,001	215,901
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 year)	1,415				1,415	144
Net current assets/liabilities	100,496	82,254	49	17,787	200,586	215,757
Total assets less current liabilities	2,371,089	82,254	49	17,787	2,471,179	2,487,860
Creditors and Accruals (due after more than 1 year)						
Loans						
Net assets	2,371,089	82,254	49	17,787	2,471,179	2,487,860
Funds of the District						
General Fund (Unrestricted)	2,371,089				2,371,089	2,387,486
District Advance Fund (Restricted)		82,254			82,254	82,416
Other Funds (Restricted)			49		49	49
Designated Funds				17,787	17,787	17,909
Total Funds	2,371,089	82,254	49	17,787	2,471,179	2,487,860

* Details - see page 6

Summary of the Connected Organisations reporting to the Church Council. Note that the funds of a Connected Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could clearly be shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose.

Connected Organisations	Opening balances	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Donations	Closing balances
Coffee Account	294				-294	nil
Luncheon Club	2977		181	-181		2,796
After Hours	896					896
Total	4167		181	-181	-294	3,692

Total Receipts	Total Payments

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities applicable in the UK (effective from 1 January 2015) – the Charities SORP (FRSSE) – in replacement for the SORP's 2005 version specified in its related 2008 Regulations and in accordance with the 'true and fair override' provision contained therein. The Accounts have been prepared as a on going concern which assumes that the charity will continue in operational existance for the foreseable future. The Trustees continue to assess all income and expenditure that liabilities can be met.

2. Funds.

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted, see fund balances breakdown. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There is also the following Endowment funds as listed represents a gift - the capital, the income is either restricted or unrestircted. Details of each material fund are disclosed in Note 16 . Any funds may be represented by more than iust cash.

3. Accounting policies

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, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment. When the grant 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 as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.
The freehold property is shown at Insurance Value cost and revalued in 2015. Other assets have been revalued in 2016 & nursery Unit in 2019.
Depreciation of fixtures is charged at a rate of 15% reducing balance. Capalisation policy: fixed assets are capitalised if purchases are over £100.

Investment Properties

Investment properties - property is being held for long term purpose of the charity.

Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

General fund debtors represent items paid in advance and amounts owing.

Creditors

Creditors represent bills outstanding and monies collected to be paid over.

4. Donations (SOFA 2)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Collections & gift Day	38,027		38,027	36,522
Tax credits- gift aid	5,222		5,222	2,091
Total	**43,249**	-	**43,249**	**38,613**

5. Charitable activities (SOFA 7)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
			£	£
Fun raising income				2,391
Fund raising -general funds				
Fund raising -designated				
Total	-	-	-	**2,391**

6. Other income & trading (SOFA 8)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
lettings	11,516		11,516	15,724
cards, fair trade, books etc	5		5	260
other income				375
other income designated	1		1	17
Total	**11,522**	-	**11,522**	**16,376**

7. Investment income (SOFA 3)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Interest:				
Central Finance Board 1	17		17	61
CFB 2 - designated	9		9	46
TMCP	463	51	514	1,473
Total	**489**	**51**	**540**	**1,581**

8. Other SOFA 9)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
	£	£	£	£
Coffee			-	464
Luncheon club			-	1,294
Total	-	-	-	**1,758**

Donations(SOFA 4)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Donations- General funds	2,164		2,164	2,645
Donations- designated funds				
Total	**2,164**	-	**2,164**	**2,645**

TOTAL INCOME SOFA 2021	**£57,475**	**£63,364**

9. Payment to Trustees

		2021	2020
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£		
Number of trustees who were paid expenses			
Nature of the expenses			
If there are no payments to Trustees, please record no expenses were paid.			
Total amount paid	£		

10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£	360	360
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£		

11. Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£	5,980	8,340
Employer's National Insurance costs	£		
Pension costs	£		
Total staff costs	£	5,980	8,340
Average number of staff employeed during the year were:		1	1

12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	1,985,000	271,000		0	154,708		2,410,708
Additions					1,045		1,045
Revaluations (+/-)							0
Disposals (-)							0
Transfers * (+/-)							0
Balance carried forward	1,985,000	271,000	0	0	155,753	0	2,411,753

Accumulated depreciation

Balance brought forward					138,605		138,605
Depreciation charge for year (-)					2,555		2,555
Revaluations (+/-)							0
Disposals (-)							0
Transfers* (+/-)							0
Balance carried forward	0	0	0	0	141,160	0	141,160

Net book value

Brought forward	1,985,000	271,000	-	-	16,103		2,272,103
Carried forward	1,985,000	271,000	-	-	14,593		2,270,593

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

Analysis of investment movements

Change in investment values

	2021	2020
	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	271,000	271,000
Add: additions to investments at cost		
Less: disposals at carrying value		
Net gain on revaluation		
Carrying (market) value at end of year	271,000	271,000

14. Analysis of current assets

	2021	2020
Debtors and prepayments	£	£
Pre paid assessments	3,248	2,608
Accrued income		
Other debtors		
Total debtors and prepayments	3,248	2,608

Analysis of cash at bank

Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	10,995	17,145
Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	11,283	11,414
Bank balance held in (Name of bank)		
Total Cash and Bank	22,278	28,559

15. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors

Trade Creditors		
Other Creditors	1,415	144
Total Current Liabilities	1,415	144

16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31st August 2021 the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2021

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17. Loans and creditors due after one year

Loans

Source	Amount brought forward £	New borrowings £	Loan interest £	Repayable in the year £	Balance at year end £

Repayment due	Totals
Due within 12 months	
Due after more than 12 months	
Total	

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18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Unrestricted Funds	2,405,395	57,424	-73,943			2,388,876
Totals	2,405,395	57,424	-73,943			2,388,876

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Redevelopment Fund	15,440	49	-30			15,459
Sale Of Recreation Ground	35,748					35,748
Bequest	26,607					26,607
E&M Rushton Bequest	197	1	-1			197
E Wolstenholme Bequest	551	1	-1			551
Luncheon Club	2,977		-181			2,796
After Hours	896					896
Totals	82,416	51	-213			82,254

Endowment Funds

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
E & M Rushton	49					49
Totals	49					49

Fund purposes

Restricted funds listed are for Capital Redevelopment
Luncheon club is for Luncheon Club facilities
After Hours is for Youth Work
Endowment Fund - for General Purpose

Reasons for transfer between funds

Walkden Methodist Church

Appendix A

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & KEY LAY WORKERS

MINISTER(S)	Rev Sarah Knebel	
	Mrs A D Lancashire	Circuit Representative
LAY WORKERS	Mr S E Platt	
CHURCH STEWARDS	Mrs L Price	
	Mrs D Winnard	
	Mr D K McCormick	Up to May 2021
	Mrs M McCormick	Up to May 2021
	Mrs E V Hancox	
	Mrs A Bennett	
	Mrs J Taylor	
	Mrs E Nelson	
	Mr J J ONeill	
	Mrs S M Poole	From June 2021
	Mr A B Stribling	From June 2021

CHURCH SAFEGUARDING CO-ORDINATORS

Mr D Cowpe (Youth & Childrens Safeguarding Co-ordinators)

Dr E Vasanth (Vunerable Adults Safeguarding Co-ordinator)

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES (OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL)

1	Mrs B Edge	
2	Mrs M Lever	
3	Mrs P Ashton	
4	Mr L O'Neill	
5	Mrs A Holgate	Up to October 2020
6	Mrs J Marsh	
7	Mrs M O'Neill -	Church Treasurer
8	Mrs G Dearden	
9	Mr R Whittleworth	Up to May 2021
10	Mrs J Cartwright	Up to July 2021
11	Mrs E O Kennedy -	Church Secretary From July 2021
12	Mrs C L Sniadek	From May 2021

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer | Date 08-Feb-22

Name: Margaret O'Neill

Address: 30 Meadow Walk, Astley, Manchester M29 7FA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been or will be (*) presented to the Church Council on

and were or will be approved (*) on 08-Feb-22

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting: **Rev Sarah Knebel**

Date: 13/02/22

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Walkden Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2021

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independer examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

* Delete as applicable

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

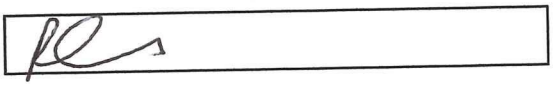
(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

(3) I have/~~have not~~* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name: RICHARD CLORLEY

Signature: 

Relevant Professional qualification or body: FMAAT AATQD ATT

Address: 2ND FLOOR, LOWRY MILL, LEES STREET, SWINTON, M27 6DB

Date: 31/5/22

WALKDEN METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1129994

Accounts

Church
Accruals Accounts
2019-2020

THE METHODIST CHURCH

Reports And Accounts
Accruals Basis
for the year ended 31 August 2020

Walkden Methodist **Church**

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable) 1129994

Farnworth & Worsley — Circuit No 6 3

Minister	Rev Sarah Knebel
Church Stewards	Mrs L Price
	Mrs D Winnard
	Mrs M McCormick
	Mrs E V Hancox
	Mr D K McCormick
	Mrs A Bennett
	Mrs J Taylor
	Mrs E Nelson
	Mr J J O'Neill
Church Secretary	Situation Vacant
Church Treasurer	Mrs M O'Neill

Walkden Methodist Church

Trustee's Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard(FRSSE) 2015

Full name of the Charity/Church Walkden Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number (if a Registered Charity): 1129994

Date of registration (if registered as a Charity) 4 June 2009

Main communication address: Walkden Methodist Church
Manchester Road East, Little Hulton, Walkden, Manchester M38 9AN

The members of the Walkden Methodist Church Council meeting are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of Church office holders, Minister and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full list of Church Council members and key lay employees are shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer:

Mrs M O'Neill *treasurer* acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent examiner *Ambient Accounting Limited, 2nd Floor, Lowry Mill,*
Lees Street, SWINTON M27 6DB

Investment Bankers Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Walkden Methodist Church

Aims and organisation

Putting the worship of God at the centre of all we do. Caring for & nurturing all those involved in our Church. Expressing our Christian concerns by action in our comminity. Sharing our faith with everyone.

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 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

Worshiping God through prayer, song and other acts of worship
The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the church and non members alike.
The teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups.
The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
Promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services.
Provision of chaplaincy services to local schools, care homes and other institutions as appropriate and when able.

Public Benefit

We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Property & Finance Team along with the Minister.

The Trustees are appointed at the AGM of the church.

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the church and the role of Trustees is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings and / or training sessions .

Related Parties

The Church is part of the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit which is part of the Bolton & Rochdale District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The internal organisation(s) linked to this church are Luncheon Club and After Hours Youth Groups.

Walkden Methodist Church

Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is being monitored in total and is compared with the approved annual budget on a half yearly basis to detect trends as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves.

Safeguarding

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We will carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We will respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We will seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We will seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We will seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities
- In all these principles we will follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the circuit and in the churches.

The Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to 7 months' average expenditure. This should be sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on the church building and / or to be able to continue, in the short term, funding planned activities in the event of any inability to raise the full expenses including the assessment payable to the Circuit.
A detailed explanation of funds are included in the Trustees Annual Report

Walkden Methodist Church
TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Introduction

Walkden Methodist Church is an amalgamation of St Andrews Methodist Church & Memorial Road Methodist Church in 2002. It is sited on Manchester Road East. Regular worship takes place on Sunday mornings & evenings. Baptisms, weddings and funerals as requested. There are also mid-week devotional groups meetings. Young Church known as YCT (Youth & Church Together) meet on Sunday mornings. We also provide rooms for rental to the wider community.

Aims and organisation- Mission Statement

Putting the WORSHIP OF GOD at the centre of all we do.
CARING for and NURTURING all those involved in our Church.
Expressing our Christian concerns BY ACTION IN OUR COMMUNITY
SHARING our faith with everyone.

Review of the year

Strengthen links with our local school, St Andrews Primary School.The school visits Church for acts of worship. The Church support the School by running knitting/gardening clubs, financal support for transport. A Minister led weekly act of worship, a school assembly is held in school. Also Messy Church and holiday clubs are held at Church all help to strengthen school links. We continue our outreach to our local community, we hold weekly coffee mornings, luncheon and Drop In clubs, tea and toast morning once a month for the elderly housebound and those who live alone which enhance fellowship. The Church hosts an indoor bowling group that meets weekly also Wednesday Fellowship, chat and craft, uniformed organisations, Rainbows, Beavers, Brownies, Cubs and Guides. Plus other community activities such as Weight Watchers, Karate, Probus Club, Slimming World, Edgefold Players a theatrical performance group who meet for rehersals and hold productions in the Church Hall three times a year. St Marys Hospital childrens Party, Ceoliac Society.We worked with the Heritage society and hosted a community day focusing on history of the area with talks and displays. We continue to raise funds for local and the wider world, supporting the work of vaious mission groups. These include Unicef, Christian Aid, Teams 4U shoe box appeal, World Missions, Action For Children, Bolton Hospice, Barnabus, Trussell Trust food Bank, Manchester Wood Street Mission, St Anns Hospice with financial contributions and pastoral support for those at the end of life or coping with serious illness and their families. We continue to support our Church Charity, Anna Okutanjo a local girl living with cerebral palsy. In March 2020 Covid 19 effected how we continue to operate church, in our local community and the world. We started weekly on line services and daily devotional links open to all. In our care for others we used Zoom, telephone and cards to support those in need or find themselves isolated. We continue to be aware of events within the world, we pray for a vaccine available to all and all countries, for those who serve in our Armed Forces, those who work for justice, world peace and the NHS and charities we support. For those who live in poverty. We continue to support the Phakamisa Project in South Africa who aim to serve, uplift impoverished communities through provisions of education, training, resourcing and support. In all ways we actively strive to make a difference within this community and the world.

Income Trends - Church income is primarily drawn from Sunday collections and Gift Aid given by the congregation and lettings income from external users of the building as previously stated. The Covid 19 Pandemic has drastically effected our income stream. We continue to keep in contact with our church congregaation and work with our external users where we can. We continue to actively promote the work of the church and buildings , for example via social media.

Expenditure trends

Our major cost is in relation to the assessment paid to the Farnworth & Worsley Circuit this amounts to approximately 52% of our total outgoings. A significant amount of the Circuit Assessment is used to pay District Assessment, stipends and related costs to Ministers. The other expenditure includes benevolent fund support, maintenance eg replace, flooring & new Gas boiler in Wesley Centre, and other general running costs such as heating, lighting etc.

Our Church Membership stands at 109.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2020 the current Church expenditure was £83,831, therefore we hold 7 months' contingency cover. Which equates to £49,000.

Balance Sheet Funds:

Cash in Hand £28,559 - £17,145 - working capital includes £11,403 circuit assessment installment due September 2020, monies held for planned maintainence & working capital.
£11,414 - designated development fund - to support, stimulate sustainable growth of the Church, along side growth maintaining and investing in the enviroment.

Trustees for Methodist
Purposes deposits £83,302- unrestricted funds of which £49,000 contingency cover.
£34,480 - is held for continuity in the event of large variation of income, bridge cash flow problems, maintainence in line with our 5 year maintenance plan.
£78,543 - restricted funds held for capital redevelopment - £52,406 to cover remaining works included in our building scheme.
£26,137 remains for future capital redevelopment.

Endowment Funds £49 - General funds

Central Finance Board £12,178- unrestricted funds for emergency cost items.
£6,495- designated funds - savings for future, longer term, large maintenance projects - more than in the 5 year maintenance programme.

Other- internal Organsations £294 Coffee Account, General funds - for use to purchase stock and associated items as required by the Church.

£2,977- Luncheon Club - Restricted funds- to cover costs of running the Luncheon Club outreach and equipment for the use of all users.

After Hours Youth Groups- £896 - Restricted funds for youth work outreach.

Plans for 2020/2021

Continue to maintain the Church's life of worship and service within the community and wider world as reported in our "Review of year". We continue to deal with the effects of Covid 19 and we had to closed the church premises down from March 2020 under government guidelines to contain the spread of Corona Virus (Covid 19). We continue with weekly online services and daily devotions, distribution of services in paper form for those who are unable to or have assess to technology. We will continue to support the wider community and we also include links to these services on our website and facebook page for everyone to access. We we will continue to provide all of this until the situation improves and we can return to church and provide a safe enviroment for all. We continually look for ways of developing our extrernal users as mentioned previously and to work together to support and enhance facilities open to all. Church financial plans for the coming year been prepared on the basis: We monitor our income against expenditure working towards a balanced budget. We promote our premises wherever possible to attract new income. We look for better deals with utilities and adopt and apply an enviromental approach to the management of our buildings. Promote giving, gift aiding when appropriate.

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Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2020

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated (Designated)	Totals this year £	Previous year totals £
Incoming Resources						
1 Assessment or Share						
2 Collections/gift day/gift aid	*38,613*				38,613	42,890
3 Interest and Investment Income	1,398	137		46	1,581	1,551
4 Donations	2,645				2,645	2,405
5 Contributions from Circuit Advance Funds						
6 Connexional Advance & Priority Fund distribution						
7 fund raising income	2,391				2,391	3,376
8 Other income, lettings/trading	16,359			17	16,376	28,563
9 Internal organisations	464	1,294			1,758	2,753
10 **Total Incoming Resources**	**61,870**	**1,431**		**63**	**63,364**	**81,538**
Resources Expended						
11 Salaries and associated costs	8,340				8,340	3,487
12 Circuit Assessment	43,440				43,440	41,000
13 Expenditure on Property repair/maintenance	11,947				11,947	13,068
14 other expenses	4,718	32			4,750	4,821
15 Insurance, utilities etc	10,073				10,073	11,058
16 Internal Organisations	678	1,556			2,234	4,797
17 Depreciation	2,807				2,807	3,298
18 Provisions						
19 Benevolence	300				300	2,550
20 Ecumenical and New Communities						
21 Training						
22 Professional fees						
23 Total Resources Expended	**82,303**	**1,588**			**83,891**	**84,079**
24 Net Incoming Resources	-20,433	-157		63	-20,527	**-2,541**
25 Transfers between funds						
26 **Sub Total**	-20,433	-157		63	-20,527	-2,541
27 Gains/losses - bequest	5,000				5,000	100,000
28 **Net investment in funds**	-15,433	-157		63	-15,527	97,459
29 Total funds brought forward from last year	2,402,919	82,573	49	17,846	2,503,387	2,405,928
30 Total funds carried forward at end of year	2,387,486	82,416	49	17,909	2,487,860	2,503,387

For information only: Money received and passed on to External Organisations

Balance brought forward from last year		
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	3059	7870
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	3059	7870
Balance still to be paid		

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020

	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Fund (Restricted) £	Other Funds (Endownment) £	Designated Funds £	Totals this year £	Totals last year £
Tangible Fixed Assets*						
Property	1,985,000				1,985,000	1,985,000
Equipment	16,103				16,103	18,910
Investments Property	271,000				271,000	271,000
Total fixed assets	2,272,103				2,272,103	2,274,910
Current Assets						
Debtors and Prepayments	2,608				2,608	4,491
Loans						
Central Finance Board and Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes Deposits etc	95,480	78,543	49	6,495	180,567	188,091
Cash at Bank and in hand	17,145			11,414	28,559	35,447
Internal Organisations	294	3,873			4,167	4,643
Total current assets	115,527	82,416	49	17,909	215,901	232,672
Creditors and Accruals (due in under 1 year)	144				144	4,195
Net current assets/liabilities	115,383	82,416	49	17,909	215,757	228,477
Total assets less current liabilities	2,387,486	82,416	49	17,909	2,487,920	2,503,387
Creditors and Accruals (due after more than 1 year)						
Loans						
Net assets	2,387,486	82,416	49	17,909	2,487,920	2,503,387
Funds of the District						
General Fund (Unrestricted)	2,387,486				2,387,545	2,402,919
District Advance Fund (Restricted)		82,416			82,416	82,573
Other Funds (Restricted)			49		49	49
Designated Funds				17,911	17,910	17,846
Total Funds	2,387,486	82,416	49	17,909	2,487,860	2,503,387

* Details - see page 6

Summary of the Connected Organisations reporting to the Church Council. Note that the funds of a Connected Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could clearly be shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose.

Connected Organisations	Opening balances	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Donations	Closing balances
Coffee Account	508	464	178	286	500	294
Luncheon Club	3239	1294	806	488	750	2,977
After Hours	896					896
Total	4643	1758	984	774	1,250	4,167

Total Receipts	Total Payments

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities applicable in the UK (effective from 1 January 2015) – the Charities SORP (FRSSE) – in replacement for the SORP's 2005 version specified in its related 2008 Regulations and in accordance with the 'true and fair override' provision contained therein. The Accounts have been prepared as a on going concern which assumes that the charity will continue in operational existance for the foreseable future. The Trustees continue to assess all income and expenditure that liabilities can be met.

2. Funds.

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted, see fund balances breakdown. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There are also the following Endowment funds as listed represents a gift- the capital, the income is either restricted or unrestircted. Details of each material fund are disclosed in note 16 . Any funds may be represented by more than iust cash.

3. Accounting policies

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, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment. When the grant 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 as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.
The freehold property is shown at Insurance Value cost and revaluation last completed in 2015. Other assets have been revalued in 2016 & nursery Unit in 2019. Property revaluation due to Covid 19 has not been posssible and will be done when it is safe to do so. Depreciation of fixtures is charged at a rate of 15% reducing balance. Capalisation policy: fixed assets are capitalised if purchases are over £100.

Investment Properties

Investment properties - property is being held for long term purpose of the charity.

Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

General fund debtors represent items paid in advance and amounts owing.

Creditors

Creditors represent bills outstanding and monies collected to be paid over.

4. Donations (SOFA 2)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020 Total	2019 Total
			£	£
Collections & gift Day	30,649		30,649	32,420
Tax credits- gift aid	7,964		7,964	10,470
Total	**38,613**	-	**38,613**	**42,890**

5. Charitable activities (SOFA 7)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020 Total	2019 Total
			£	£
Fun raising income				
Fund raising -general funds	2391		2391	3,376
Fund raising -designated				
Total	**2,391**	-	**2,391**	**3,376**

6. Other income & trading (SOFA 8)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020 Total	2019 Total
£	£		£	£
lettings	15,724		**15,724**	27,639
cards, fair trade, books etc	260		260	393
other income	375		**375**	510
other income designated	17		17	21
Total	**16,376**	-	**16,376**	**28,563**

7. Investment income (SOFA 3)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020 Total	Total 2019
Interest: £	£		£	£
Central Finance Board 1	62		62	62
CFB 2 - designated	46		46	44
TMCP	*1336*	137	**1,473**	1,445
Total	**1,444**	**137**	**1,581**	**1,551**

8. Other SOFA 9)	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020 Total	2019 Total
£	£		£	£
Coffee	464		464	740
Luncheon club		1294	1294	2,013
Total	464	1294	**1,758**	2,753
Donations(SOFA 4)			-	
Donations- General funds	2645		2645	2,405
Donations- designated funds				
Total	**2,645**	-	**2,645**	**2,405**

9. Payment to Trustees

		This year	Last year
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council Meeting	£		
Number of trustees who were paid expenses			
Nature of the expenses			
If there are no payments to Trustees, please record no expenses were paid.			
Total amount paid	£		

10. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£	360	360
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	£		

11. Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£	8,340	3,487
Employer's National Insurance costs	£		
Pension costs	£		
Total staff costs	£	8,340	3,487
Average number of staff employeed during the year were:		1	1

12. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Church (non investment) land and buildings £	Other non investment land and buildings £	Investment properties (land and buildings) £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	1,985,000	271,000			154,708		2,410,708
Additions							
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	1,985,000	271,000			154,708		2,410,708
Accumulated depreciation							
Balance brought forward					135,798		135,798
Depreciation charge for year (-)					2,807		2,807
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward					138,605		138,605
Net book value							
Brought forward	1,985,000	271,000	-	-	18,910		2,274,910
Carried forward	1,985,000	271,000	-	-	16,103		2,272,103

* The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

** Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

13. Investments

The funds that support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

Analysis of investment movements

Change in investment values

	This year	Prev year
	£	£
Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	271,000	171000
Add: additions to investments at cost		
Less: disposals at carrying value		
Net gain on revaluation		100,000
Carrying (market) value at end of year	271,000	271,000

14. Analysis of current assets

	This year	Last year
Debtors and prepayments	£	£
Pre paid assessments	2,608	4,491
Accrued income		
Other debtors		
Total debtors and prepayments	2,608	4,491

Analysis of cash at bank

Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	17,145	24,050
Bank balance held in The Royal Bank Of Scotland	11,414	11,397
Bank balance held in (Name of bank)		
Total Cash and Bank	28,559	35,447

15. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors

Trade Creditors		
Other Creditors	144	4,195
Total Current Liabilities	144	4,195

16. Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31st August 2020 the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2020

17. Loans and creditors due after one year

Loans

Source	Amount brought forward £	New borrowings £	Loan interest £	Repayable in the year £	Balance at year end £
					X

Repayment due

	Totals
Due within 12 months	
Due after more than 12 months	
Total	Y

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18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Unrestricted Funds	2,420,765	61,933	-82,303		5,000	2,405,395
Totals	2,420,765	61,933	-82,303		5,000	2,405,395

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Redevelopment Fund	15,339	131	-30			15,440
Sale Of Recreation Ground	35,748					35,748
Bequest	26,607					26,607
E&M Rushton Bequest	197	1	-1			197
E Wolstenholme Bequest	547	5	-1			551
Luncheon Club	3,239	1,294	-1,556			2,977
After Hours	896					896
Totals	82,573	1,431	-1,588			82,416

Endowment Funds

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
E & M Rushton	49					49
Totals	49					49

Fund purposes

Restricted funds listed are for Capital Redevelopment

Luncheon club is for Luncheon Club facilities

After Hours is for Youth Work

Endowment Fund - for General Purpose

Reasons for transfer between funds

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Appendix A

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP & KEY LAY WORKERS

MINISTER(S) Rev Sarah Knebel

Mrs A D Lancashire Circuit Representative

LAY WORKERS Mr S E Platt

CHURCH STEWARDS
Mrs L Price
Mrs D Winnard
Mr D K McCormick
Mrs M McCormick
Mrs E V Hancox
Mrs A Bennett
Mrs J Taylor
Mrs E Nelson
Mr J J ONeill

CHURCH SAFEGUARDING CO-ORDINATORS

Mr D Cowpe (Youth & Childrens Safeguarding Co-ordinators)
Dr E Vasanth (Vunerable Adults Safeguarding Co-ordinator)

CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES (OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH COUNCIL)

1 Mrs B Edge
2 Mr L Edge upto May 2020
3 Mrs M Lever
4 Mrs P Ashton
5 Mr L O'Neill
6 Mrs A Holgate
7 Mrs J Marsh
8 Mrs M O'Neill - Church Treasurer
9 Mr R Whittleworth
10 Mrs G Dearden
11 Mrs J Cartwirght
12 Mrs SM Poole

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer [signature] Date 23.02.2021

Name Margaret O'Neill

Address 30 Meadow Walk, Astley, Manchester M29 7FA

Presentation to the Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been ~~or will be~~ (*) presented to the Church Council on 23.02.2021

and were or will be approved (*) on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting [signature]

Name of the Chair of the meeting **Rev Sarah Knebel**

Date 25.02.2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Walkden Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2020

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independer examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

* Delete as applicable

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

(3) I have/have not* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name RICHARD CLORLEY

Signature

Relevant Professional qualification or body FMAAT AATQB ATT

Address 2ND FLOOR, LOWRY MILL LEES STREET, SWINTON M27 6DB

Date 26/5/21