

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2024

Trafford	Circuit	Circuit no.	01/37
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1130117

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

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

Minister:

Rev Glayne Worgan

Church Stewards:

Colin Norman
Valma Jeffries

Treasurer:

Cynthia Fowler

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

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SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year
			£	£	£		£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note					
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	1	88,365		88,365		71,648
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2	12,835		12,835		5,523
a4	Lettings	3	75,319		75,319		67,773
a5	Other receipts	4	428		428		42,392
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		176,947	0	176,947	(a7)	187,336

	SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	5	75,600		75,600	82,200
b3	Donations	6	2,400		2,400	2,400
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	7	67,026		67,026	14,942
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	8	37,817		37,817	14,520
b6					0	
b7	Other payments	9	6,591		6,591	8,631
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		189,434	0	189,434 (b9)	122,693

	SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(12,487)	0	(12,487)	64,643
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		348,206		348,206 (c6)	283,563
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	335,719	0	335,719	348,206
c4	Transfers and adjustments				0 (c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	335,719	0	335,719 (c8)	348,206 (c6)

SECTION D					
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS					
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		£		£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		22		22
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		328		2,076
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		328		2,076
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)		22		22

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**SECTION E****Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page**

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Wednesday Friendship	761	721	40		680	720
e2 Badminton	0	10	(10)		13	3
e3 Women's Fellowship			0		65	65
e4			0			0
e5			0			0
e6			0			0
e7			0			0
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	761	731	30	0	758 (e11)	788 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	176,947 (a7)	189,434 (b9)	(12,487)	(c7)	348,206 (c6)	335,719 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	177,708	190,165	(12,457)	0	348,964 (x)	336,507 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	Note 10	7	7
f2 Bank Current Account	Note 11	91,756	69,996
f3 Bank Deposit Account			
f4 Central Finance Board		162,291	165,705
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		94,174	100,033
f6 Other funds	Note 11	0	
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts		348,228 (c6)	335,741 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)		758 (e11)	788 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	Note 12	348,986 (x)	336,529 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	70,000	70,000
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

Name of Church No.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer *Cynthia Fowler* Date *22-6-25*

Name and address of treasurer *MRS CYNTHIA FOWLER, 12 FRINTON CLOSE*
SALE, CHESHIRE Post Code *M33 4ES*

Presentation to the Church trustees

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

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *G. Worgan*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *REV G. WORGAN* Date *23rd June 2025*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale

Charity Number 1130117

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of **The Avenue Methodist Church** for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages ... to As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church: **The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale** No: **01/37**

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

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

Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner **PETER BAYLEY**

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner **BANK OFFICIAL**
(RETIRED)

Name of firm (where appropriate) -

Address **39 OULTON AVE**

SALE Post Code **M33 2NB**

Date **23/05/25**

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The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale

Notes to Standard Form of Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024

Note 1:	Fund	2023-24	2022-23
a2 Offerings & Tax Recovered			
Donations & Bequests	M&W	43,055.00	12,230.00
Envelopes	M&W	1,889.04	2,528.20
Other Gift Aid etc	M&W	11,408.70	21,946.10
Standing Order	M&W	29,025.00	32,586.00
Loose Cash	M&W	2,986.79	2,357.42
		88,364.53	71,647.72

Note 2:			
a3 Bank and CFB interest and Investment income			
Bank Interest	M&W	102.03	248.69
CFB Interest	M&W	7,605.33	5,274.61
TMCP Interest (note 2.1)	TMCP	5,127.69	-
		12,835.05	5,523.30

Note 2.1:
TMCP interest was not included in this figure for 2022-23. See note 9.1.

Note 3:			
a4 Lettings			
Ad-hoc Lets	Property	11,309.30	11,224.85
Church Groups	Property	2,004.00	1,870.00
MAC	Property	22,872.00	18,139.00
Regular Lets	Property	38,931.41	36,519.30
Baby Group/Misc	Property	201.95	20.00
		75,318.66	67,773.15

Note 4:			
a5 Other Income			
Coffee	M&W	373.75	47.00
Photocopier Income	M&W	54.74	4,695.38
Profit from Events	M&W	-	75.50
Sundry	M&W	-	1,702.70
ABC Baby Group	M&W	-	500.00
Baptisms weddings funerals	Property	-	155.00
Catering	Property	-	216.06
Interest Free Loan Receipt	Property	-	35,000.00
		428.49	42,391.64

Note 5:			
b2 Circuit Assessment or Share			
Circuit Assessment	M&W	75,600.00	82,200.00

Note 6:			
b3 Donations			
Non Recurring Donations	M&W	2,400.00	2,400.00

Note 7:**b4 Repairs and Maintenance**

Non Recurring Projects	Property	33,890.00	-
Cleaning Materials (note 7.1)	Property	546.69	-
Cleaning Services (note 7.1)	Property	9,380.23	-
Repair Materials	Property	161.47	211.26
Repairs by Subcontractors	Property	13,842.72	7,938.20
Routine Maintenance	Property	9,204.70	6,792.77
		67,025.81	14,942.23

Note 7.1:

in 2022-23, Cleaning Costs were included under b7 - Other payments

Note 8:**b5 Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)**

Electricity	Property	10,420.94	3,443.04
Gas	Property	19,647.61	3,628.31
Insurance	Property	6,848.62	6,797.00
Water	Property	899.56	651.94
		37,816.73	14,520.29

Note 9:**b7 Other payments**

Non Profit Events	M&W	-	983.00
Leases (photocopier)	M&W	1,540.80	1,540.80
Materials (photocopier)	M&W	615.08	286.56
Administration	M&W	144.05	196.49
HSBC Bank Charges	M&W	159.24	162.48
Telephone	M&W	1,360.41	1,338.17
Worship Misc	M&W	706.21	691.38
Non-Recurring Projects (expenses for a one-off event)	Property	-	1,000.00
Catering	Property	1,206.31	121.50
Cleaning Materials	Property	-	487.24
Cleaning Services	Property	-	9,071.04
Various Admin exp	Property	5.00	348.40
Licences	Property	369.95	-
Youth Work Expenses	Ellen Altr	215.50	36.60
Transfer from M&W to TMCP	M&W	1,000.00	2,000.00
Payments/transfers into TMCP	TMCP	- 1,000.00	- 7,000.00
TMCP Charges	TMCP	268.40	-
TMCP Charges minus Interest (note 9.1)	TMCP	-	- 2,833.51
Adjustment for TMCP misreported balance (note 9.2)	TMCP		200.00
		6,590.95	8,630.15

Note 9.1:

In 2022-23, TMCP interest was not accounted for under a3 in the Standard Form of Accounts. Instead, the total for b7 includes an adjustment which amounts to the TMCP admin charge minus interest gained

Note 9.2:

In August 2023, the closing balance with TMCP was misreported as 94,374 when the statement shows 94,174. Therefore a £200 adjustment has been included in 'b7 - Other payments' to correct the opening balances for the 2023-24 accounts.

Note 10:

In the Standard Form of Accounts for 2022-23, a Cash in hand figure (f1) of £108 was declared. However, more detailed internal accounts showed that of this, £90.77 was petty cash belonging to Wednesday Friendship Group and £10 to the Badminton Group. These amounts are also included in the balances shown for these groups in section E so should not have appeared again under church cash funds held.

Note 11:

In the Standard Form of Accounts for 2022-23, the Bank Current Account (f2) closing balance was reported as 69,232 with a further 22,423 listed as Other funds (f6). However, bank statements show that the total held in current accounts on 31st August 2023 was 91,756:

HSBC Charitable Bank Account	86,422.39
HSBC Business Money Manager	5,230.38
Barclays Playgroup Current Account	102.91
	91,755.68
less 'Other Funds' total (f6)	- 22,423.00
less incorrectly reported £101 from Cash in hand (f1)	- 100.77
	69,231.91

The 'Other Funds' total is the balance of the 'Ellen Altree Fund' held in the current account but designated for Youth Work expenditure.

Note 12:

There is a £22 discrepancy Total Cash Funds Held as shown in f9 and that shown in e10 this is the £22 shown in section D as a balance still to be paid to external organisations. These funds were retained in the church current account after the charity it was collected for closed down before the payment could be made. The trustees will nominate an alternative charity to send this balance to in 2024-25.

THE AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH
Balance sheet 12 months to 31st August 2024

	Financial Year		Variance
	2024	2023	
Current Assets			
Note 1			
Note 2	Church Bank Accounts	£91,755.68	
Note 3	CFB Deposit Accounts	£162,291.43	
Note 4	Cash in hand	£7.18	
	TMCP	£94,173.71	
	Total Current Assets	£348,228.00	-£12,486.76
Represented by:			
Funds			
Note 5	Ministry & Worship Fund		
Note 6	Property Fund	£29,914.40	£12,974.59
Note 7	Play Group Fund	£131,082.09	-£31,105.14
Note 8	Youth Club Fund	£102.91	£0.00
Note 9	Ellen Altree Fund (designated - youth work)	£512.28	£0.00
Note 4	TMCP Various Bequests	£22,421.11	-£215.50
		£94,173.71	£5,859.29
		£278,206.50	-£12,486.76
Note 10	Third Party Funds	£21.50	
Note 11	Interest Free loans	£70,000.00	
		£348,228.00	
Funds held by Internal Organisations			
Note 12	Wednesday Fellowship Group	£679.91	
Note 13	Badminton Group	£13.29	
Note 14	Womens Fellowship	£65.00	
		£758.20	

THE AVENUE METHODIST CHURCH

Notes to Balance Sheet @ 31st August
Financial Year 2023-24

2022-2023

	Financial Year 2023-2024		Financial Year 2022-2023
Note 1 - Bank Accounts			
HSBC Current Account (General)	£64,560.28		£86,422.39
HSBC Current Account (Reserve)	£5,332.41		£5,230.38
Playgroup Barclays Current Account	£102.91		£102.91
		£69,995.60	£91,755.68
Note 2 - CFB Deposit Account			
General Account	£165,705.46		£162,291.43
		£165,705.46	£162,291.43
Note 3 - Cash in Hand			
Office Petty Cash	£7.18		£7.06
Adjustment			£0.12
		£7.18	£7.18
Note 4 - TMCP Funds			
Balance Brought Forward		£94,173.71	£84,540.20
Bequests paid in	£1,000.00		£7,000.00
Interest earned	£5,127.69		£2,833.51
Admin Charges	-£268.40		£0.00
Expenditure	£0.00		£0.00
Adjustment	£0.00		-£200.00
		£5,859.29	£9,633.51
Balance carried forward		£100,033.00	£94,173.71
Note 5 - Ministry & Worship Fund			
Balance Brought Forward		£29,914.40	£37,521.68
Income for the period	£96,500.38		£84,191.60
Expenditure for the period	-£83,525.79		-£91,798.88
Surplus of income over expenditure		£12,974.59	-£7,607.28
Balance Carried Forward		£42,888.99	£29,914.40
Note 6 - Property Fund			
Balance Brought Forward		£131,082.09	£103,428.62
Income for the period	£75,318.66		£68,144.21
Expenditure for the period	-£106,423.80		-£40,490.74
Surplus of income over expenditure		-£31,105.14	£27,653.47
Transfers to Bulding Fund			
Balance Carried Forward		£99,976.95	£131,082.09
Note 7 - Play Group Fund			
Balance Brought Forward		£102.91	£102.91
Axis Fees			
CFB balance to main cfb a/c			
p/c to Main Church c/a			
Balance Carried Forward		£102.91	£102.91
Note 8 - Youth Club Fund			
Balance Brought Forward		£512.28	£512.28
Income for the period			
Expenditure for the period			

Surplus of income over expenditure	£0.00	£0.00
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£512.28</u>	<u>£512.28</u>

Note 9 - Ellen Altree Fund

Balance Brought Forward	£22,421.11	£22,457.71
Income for the period		£0.00
Expenditure for the period	-£215.50	-£36.60
Surplus of income over expenditure	-£215.50	-£36.60
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£22,205.61</u>	<u>£22,421.11</u>

Note 10 - Third Party Funds

Balance Brought Forward	£21.50	£21.50
Action for Children (from Carol Service)	£328.08	
Christian Aid House Collection		£1,166.00
Altrincham Food Bank		£166.00
St Anns/ Carol Service		£308.35
WellSpring/Carol Service		£308.35
Christian Aid/Turkey		£128.00
Donations to nominated Charities	-£328.08	-£2,076.70
	£0.00	£0.00
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£21.50</u>	<u>£21.50</u>

Note 11 -Interest Free Loans

Balance Brought Forward	£70,000.00	£35,000.00
Income for the period	£0.00	£35,000.00
Expenditure for the period	£0.00	£0.00
	£0.00	£35,000.00
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£70,000.00</u>	<u>£70,000.00</u>

Note 12 - Wednesday Friendship Group/Internal

Balance Brought Forward	£679.91	£75.86
Income for the period	£760.90	£818.79
Expenditure for the period	-£721.02	-£214.84
Adjustment p/c		£0.10
	£39.88	£604.05
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£719.79</u>	<u>£679.91</u>

Note 13 - Badminton Group/Internal

Balance Brought Forward	£13.29	£243.29
Income for the period	£0.00	£110.00
Expenditure for the period	-£10.00	-£340.00
	-£10.00	-£230.00
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£3.29</u>	<u>£13.29</u>

Note 14 - Womens Fellowship/Internal

Balance brought Forward	£65.00	£336.59
Income for the period		£0.00
Expenditure for the period		£271.59
Balance Carried Forward	<u>£65.00</u>	<u>£65.00</u>

Ministry & Worship Fund Summary of Income & Expenditure

<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	
		<i>Irregular Income</i>
12,230	43,055	Donations and Bequests
76	-	Profit from Events
1,703	-	Sundry
14,008	43,055	Total Irregular Income
		<i>Regular Income</i>
2,528	1,889	Envelopes
21,946	11,409	Other Gift Aid etc
32,586	29,025	Standing Order
57,060	42,323	Total Members Giving
249	102	Bank Interest
5,275	7,605	CFB Interest
47	374	Coffee
2,357	2,987	Loose Cash
500	-	ABC Baby Group
4,695	55	Photocopier Income
70,183	53,445	Total Regular Income
84,192	96,500	Total M&W Income
		<i>Irregular Expenditure</i>
-	-	Equipment
983	-	Non Profit events
2,400	2,400	Non Recurring Donations
2,000	1,000	Transfers to TMCP
5,383	3,400	Total Irregular Expenditure
		<i>Regular Expenditure</i>
1,541	1,541	Leases
287	615	Materials
1,827	2,156	Total Photocopier
196	144	Administration
82,200	75,600	Circuit Assessment
162	159	HSBC Bank Charges
-	-	Recurring Donations
1,338	1,360	Telephone
691	706	Worship Misc
86,416	80,126	Total Regular Expenditure
91,799	83,526	Total M&W Expenditure
-	12,975	Surplus Income over Expenditure

Property Fund Summary of Income & Expenditure

<u>2022-23</u>	<u>2023-24</u>	
		<i>Irregular Income</i>
11,225	11,309	Ad-hoc Lets
155	-	Baptisms weddings funerals
216	-	Catering
35,000	-	Interest Free Loans
46,596	11,309	Total Irregular Income
		<i>Regular Income</i>
1,870	2,004	Church Groups
18,139	22,872	MAC
36,519	38,931	Regular Lets
20	202	Baby Group
56,548	64,009	Total Regular Income
103,144	75,319	Total Property Fund Income
		<i>Irregular Expenditure</i>
1,000	33,890	Non Recurring Projects
-	-	Recurring Projects
122	1,206	Catering
1,122	35,096	Total Irregular Expenditure
		<i>Regular Expenditure</i>
487	547	Cleaning Materials
9,071	9,380	Cleaning Services
348	5	Various admin exp
3,443	10,421	Electricity
3,628	19,648	Gas
6,797	6,849	Insurance
	370	Licences
211	161	Repair Materials
7,938	13,843	Repairs by Subcontractors
6,793	9,205	Routine Maintenance
652	900	Water
39,369	71,327	Total Regular Expenditure
40,491	106,424	Total Property Fund Expenditure
62,654	-	Surplus of Income over Expenditure

Ministry & Worship Fund Summary of Income & Expenditure

<u>2022-23</u>		<u>2023-24</u>	allocation on SoFA
	<i>Irregular Income</i>		
12230.00	Donations and Bequests	43055.00	a2
75.50	Profit from Events	0.00	a5
1702.70	Sundry	0.00	a5
<u>14008.20</u>	<i>Total Irregular Income</i>	<u>43055.00</u>	
	<i>Regular Income</i>		
2528.20	Envelopes	1889.04	a2
21946.10	Other Gift Aid etc	11408.70	a2
32586.00	Standing Order	29025.00	a2
<u>57060.30</u>	Total Members Giving	<u>42322.74</u>	
248.69	Bank Interest	102.03	a3
5274.61	CFB Interest	7605.33	a3
47.00	Coffee	373.75	a5
2357.42	Loose Cash	2986.79	a2
500.00	ABC Baby Group	0.00	a5
4695.38	Photocopier Income	54.74	a5
<u>70183.40</u>	Total Regular Income	<u>53445.38</u>	
<u>84191.60</u>	TOTAL M&W Income	<u>96500.38</u>	
	<i>Irregular Expenditure</i>		
0.00	Equipment	0.00	b7
983.00	Non Profit events	0.00	b7
2400.00	Non Recurring Donations	2400.00	b3
2000.00	Transfers to TMCP	1000.00	b7
<u>5383.00</u>	Total Irregular Expenditure	<u>3400.00</u>	
	<i>Regular Expenditure</i>		
1540.80	Leases	1540.80	b7
286.56	Materials	615.08	b7
<u>1827.36</u>	Total Photocopier	<u>2155.88</u>	
196.49	Administration	144.05	b7
82200.00	Circuit Assessment	75600.00	b2
162.48	HSBC Bank Charges	159.24	b7
0.00	Recurring Donations	0.00	b3
1338.17	Telephone	1360.41	b7
691.38	Worship Misc	706.21	b7
<u>86415.88</u>	Total Regular Expenditure	<u>80125.79</u>	
<u>91798.88</u>	TOTAL M&W Expenditure	<u>83525.79</u>	
-7607.28	Surplus Income over Expenditure	12974.59	

Property Fund Summary of Income & Expenditure

<u>2022-23</u>		<u>2023-24</u>	allocation on SoFA
	<i>Irregular Income</i>		
11224.85	Ad-hoc Lets	11309.30	a4
155.00	Baptisms weddings funerals	0.00	a5
216.06	Catering	0.00	a5
35000.00	Interest Free Loans	0.00	a5
<u>46595.91</u>	TOTAL Irregular Income	<u>11309.30</u>	
	<i>Regular Income</i>		
1870.00	Church Groups	2004.00	a4
18139.00	MAC	22872.00	a4
36519.30	Regular Lets	38931.41	a4
20.00	Baby Group	201.95	a4
<u>56548.30</u>	TOTAL Regular Income	<u>64009.36</u>	
<u>103144.21</u>	TOTAL Property Fund Income	<u>75318.66</u>	
	<i>Irregular Expenditure</i>		
1000.00	Non Recurring Projects	33890.00	b4 (b7 in 2022-23)
0.00	Recurring Projects	0.00	b4
121.50	Catering	1206.31	b7
<u>1121.50</u>	TOTAL Irregular Expenditure	<u>35096.31</u>	
	<i>Regular Expenditure</i>		
487.24	Cleaning Materials	546.69	b4 (b7 in 2022-23)
9071.04	Cleaning Services	9380.23	b4 (b7 in 2022-23)
348.40	Various admin exp	5.00	b7
3443.04	Electricity	10420.94	b5
3628.31	Gas	19647.61	b5
6797.00	Insurance	6848.62	b5
	Licences	369.95	b7
211.26	Repair Materials	161.47	b4
7938.20	Repairs by Subcontractors	13842.72	b4
6792.77	Routine Maintenance	9204.70	b4
651.94	Water	899.56	b5
<u>39369.20</u>	TOTAL Regular Expenditure	<u>71327.49</u>	
<u>40490.70</u>	TOTAL Property Fund Expenditure	<u>106423.80</u>	
62653.51	Surplus of Income over Expenditure	-31105.14	

RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of

Church Council, The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale

To

Circuit Meeting Trafford Circuit

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Methodist Conference and the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (i) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (ii) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Report/s

(iii) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out overleaf and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and our Annual Report

(iv) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion

(v) Our Report is attached overleaf

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To be completed by Receiving Body

The

*Circuit Meeting/District received the RESERVES POLICY of

*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District

Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees

YES ☐ / NO ☐

Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees

Responses received and any further action taken

*Circuit/District

Signatures

Date.....

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RESERVES POLICY of

The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale
Church Council

1.	General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2024	£335,741
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2.	Restricted Funds held “	£0
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3.	Endowment Funds held “	£0
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4. **Reserves policy for General Funds**

Repayment of Interest Free Loans	£70,000
General Cash Flow (50% of Annual Expenditure)	£60,000
Building Projects (Windows/Gutters)	£120,000
Improved IT/AV	£ 5,000
Longer Term Building Projects	£50,000
Designated Fund for Children and Youth Work	<u>£22,205</u>
Total	£327,205

5. **Policy for Restricted Funds**



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6. **Terms relating to Endowment Funds held**

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This Reserves Policy has been approved by

Church Council

Treasurer	Trustee
Full name Cynthia Fowler	Full Name Colin Norman
Signature 	Signature 



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From 1 September 2023 Period start date To 31 August 2024 Period end date

Charity name: The Avenue Methodist Church Sale

Charity registration number: 1130117

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The governing document is The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church (CPD). See: https://www.methodist.org.uk/for-churches/governance/cpd/ The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the date of union the advancement of a) the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of the Methodist Church; b) any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, district, circuit, local or other organisation of the Methodist Church; c) any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church; d) any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary to the Methodist Church.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Our vision is to be an inclusive, justice seeking, welcoming community which cares for all in an environment where all feel they belong. We offer Methodist Christian worship, fellowship, service of our community and outreach, in Sale and beyond.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	This guidance has been provided to the trustees.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	

Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	<p>Main Achievements 2023-4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Regular Public Services have been held, with extra ones at Christmas and Easter. • Story Church has continued to flourish with new families joining. • At festival times local schools have held services in the building. • There is a weekly prayer meeting and several fellowship groups. • Weekly coffee chat has continued to welcome those from outside the regular worshipping community. • The Church Anniversary Tea started at our 60th Anniversary has continued and is growing in numbers. • Manchester Alliance Church (Chinese speaking), who use the premises, continues to grow and are sharing in joint activities. • The local community uses the building such that it is almost at the point where new users cannot be accommodated. • Donations (£2400 total) have been made to the following charities:- St Ann's Hospice, Francis House, Stockdales, All We Can, Handsworth MHA, Homestart & Action for Children. • The church also facilitated donations to Christian Aid and The Royal British Legion. • Arrangements for the formation of a new circuit have been finalised. On 1 September 2024 The Avenue will become part of the Trafford Circuit and North West England District of the Methodist Church

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	See attached Statement of Financial Activities and Balance Sheet for the year ending 31st August 2024.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	See Attached Reserves Policy
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	General Funds - £313,536 Restricted Funds – 22,205
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	Members donations and room letting
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976).
How is the charity constituted? (e.g. unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	The 1976 Methodist Church Act authorises the Methodist Conference as the governing body.
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees are appointed by the Church Council according to standard Methodist procedures. The only Trustees not appointed in this way are the Chair (the Minister) and the Circuit Superintendent minister, who are appointed by the Conference of the Methodist Church, and one Circuit Steward, who is selected by the Circuit.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The Avenue Methodist Church is an independent charity but is part of the Trafford Circuit of the Methodist Church within the Methodist Church of Britain Connexion.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	The Avenue Methodist Church, Sale
Other name the charity uses	
Registered charity number	1130117
Charity's principal address	Wincham Road Sale M33 4PL

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Glayne Worgan	Presbyter		Methodist Conference
2	Cynthia Fowler	Treasurer		Church Council
3	Colin Norman	Steward		Church Council
4	Valma Jeffries	Steward		Church Council
5	Margaret Kaye	Secretary		Church Council
6	Joan Ball	Safeguarding		Church Council
7	Stephen Carter			Church Council
8	Gillian Fielding			Church Council
9	Andrew Jeffries			Church Council
10	Keith Mackie			Church Council
11	Pat Mackie			Church Council
12	Ken Parkes			Church Council
13	Maxine Shelmerdine			Church Council
14	Ann Turnbull			Church Council
15	Hilary Yates			Church Council
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Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

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Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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Other optional information

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Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	G. Woran	Colin Norman
Full name(s)	Rev G. WORAN	COLIN NORMAN
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	CHAIR	TRUSTEE
Date	23 rd June 2025	