

HESWALL METHODIST CHURCH

Annual Report September 2020 to August 2021

It has been a very different year from those of the past and we have had to adapt, like everyone, to living with a Pandemic and all the changing Government guidelines to keep people as safe as possible from Covid-19. We have been very fortunate to have a Minister who is very capable with "technology" who has helped us to keep our church community together throughout this last 12 months. The live "Zoom" services meant we were able to continue to worship together and share fellowship safely from our own homes.

In September 2020 it seemed that the Covid-19 Lockdown was easing off and we started to plan to re-open the church. But the Covid infections for Wirral started to rise and became the highest level of concern, so re-opening was delayed.

Many activities have been sadly missed during the year, but we have managed to celebrate all the Christian Festivals using a combination of Zoom Church and, eventually, "Live Church" worship again.

The children's group "Church Mice" managed to carry on using WhatsApp and enjoyed craft activities and a Bible story. Tuesday Chat on Zoom kept people in touch. A team worked very hard organising our own Christmas Card delivery service in December, as the traditional Scout Post was unable to happen, this was a great help to many of the church community who were struggling to get out and about. The World Day of Prayer was broadcast via the Internet directly from the sunny realm of Vanuatu in March. At Easter we took part in an Ecumenical event – every church in Heswall put together a display of a part of the Easter Story. We put together a display illustrating the "Servant King" in the window of our Coffee Shop, The Beacon, so passers-by could see it.

We have lost a number of our members and friends during the pandemic, and it has been even more painful for the families as they were not able to hold a Thanksgiving Service to which everyone could come. We hope to hold a Memorial Service later in the year to remember all who have died.

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to all those who have worked so hard to keep abreast of changing Government Guidelines and who enabled us to open our premises again in a safe way.

The church re-opened for regular worship at the end of February 2021 and we ran a Zoom Service live at the same time until June, when many restrictions were lifted and more people were able to come in person.

The Beacon Coffee shop opened its doors on 25th June to the delight of so many people who had missed the fellowship, support and good food. The number of volunteers available to run it had dropped, but with hard work they managed to open initially one day a week and then two later in the summer.

We have all worked hard to keep everyone connected and supported through challenging times.

Please refer to our Website for more information and photographs: heswallmethodist.org.uk

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

HESWALL METHODIST CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

Wirral Methodist Churches Circuit

Circuit no

18/09

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1130586

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Reverend Steven Carpenter

Church Stewards:

Ms Christine B Anderson

Andrew J T Boswell

Treasurer:

Michael D D Howlett

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		58,321		58,321	62,078
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		5,545		5,545	139
a4	Lettings		12,923		12,923	14,839
a5	Other receipts			20	20	585
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		76,789	20	76,809 (a7)	77,641

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		51,645		51,645	51,127
b3	Donations					
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		21,902		21,902	8,674
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		4,378		4,378	7,715
b6	Church Administration		1,889		1,889	2,718
b7	Other payments		1,109		1,109	449
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		80,922		80,922 (b9)	70,684

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(4,133)	20	(4,113)	6,957
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		66,671	3,053	69,724 (c6)	58,897
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	62,538	3,073	65,611	65,854
c4	Transfers (from Organisations) and adjustments		577		577 (c7)	3,872
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	63,115	3,073	66,188 (c8)	69,726 (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			
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		4,029	6,166
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		4,029	6,166
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)		

HESWALL METHODIST CHURCH

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

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e1	Beacon Café	2,795	2,982	(187)	(352)	4,784	4,245
e2	Beacon Lights					166	166
e3	Church Mice						
e4	Friendship Club	5		5	(12)	7	
e5	Monday at 2				(213)	213	(0)
e6	Orion Club	820	301	519		2,868	3,387
e7	Pram & Buggy Club					519	519
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	3,620	3,283	337	(577)	8,556 (e11)	8,316 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	76,809 (a7)	80,922 (b9)	(4,113)	577 (c7)	69,724 (c6)	66,188 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	80,429	84,205	(3,776)		78,280 (x)	74,504 (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 2021

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	Cash in hand	
f2	Bank Current Account	7,526
f3	Bank Deposit Account	
f4	Central Finance Board	33,463
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	28,736
f6	Other funds	
f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	69,725 (c6)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	8,556 (e11)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	78,281 (x)
		66,188 (c8)
		8,316 (e12)
		74,504 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 20 20	At 31 August 2021
g1	Investments (include Endowments)	
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	
g3	Other Assets	
g4	Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end	
g5	Other Liabilities	

Main buildings/
Venture House
TOTAL
2,000,000
Mayfield
87, Telegraph Rd
250,000

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400,000
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Name of Church .. **Heswall Methodist Church**

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 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 signed by MDDHowlett

30th September 2021

Name and address of treasurer Michael DD Howlett

Barnwell' 17, Long Meadow, Gayton, Wirral CH60 8QQ.

Presentation to the Church trustees

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

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Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Heswall Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 1 to 3. As Church's trustees, you are responsible for 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.

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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
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Signature of independent examiner signed

Name of independent examiner Dr P Lumb

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner N/A

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address 22, Farmstead Way,

..... Great Sutton, Ellesmere Port, Cheshire.

CH66 2RU

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