

Minister's Report 2021

As I reflect on 2021, it feels like a year of two halves, almost!

We started the first quarter, as we finished 2020, in lockdown. Then, like the rest of the nation, we navigated the necessary 'roadmaps' as we began planning, albeit cautiously, the 'new reality.'

Continuing to worship on Zoom served us well, but I believe we were all yearning the fellowship of being together, especially I felt, being apart for Easter again was disappointing.

With much discussion and preparation, we resumed 'in-person' worship on 1st August; this was preceded by a Week of Prayer in our church building. It was important to pray for our return, for all affected by the pandemic, and also loss of a loved one in other circumstances; and for our community and beyond.

Over the year, we lost seven members and friends through age and illness; we give thanks for their lives and faithful service and continue to hold their loved ones in prayer.

Thanks to the patience and technical 'know-how' of some of our members, we are now able to offer Zoom from church as an option for those who require it for various reasons and this has proved very beneficial.

Our midweek Wednesday Fellowship resumed in October, with the leaders' preparing talks and activities for the group, and a welcome cuppa and an opportunity for a chat, which so many had missed.

We had a fabulous Harvest Festival and Church Anniversary weekend commencing with a Beetle Drive – still as competitive as ever!! Our Family service on Sunday, and the opportunity to share with our Pre-school on Monday.

Thank you to all who prepared, and those who supported our MacMillan Tea and Cakes event in October; it was wonderful to be together again and give generously towards their work.

Our Lent Bible studies on the 'Prayers of Jesus,' were held on Zoom; but I was thrilled to resume in-person studies on the Letter to the Hebrews in October. Unfortunately, our Advent studies were cut short as I finally got caught by the virus!

Thankfully, the excitement of being able to worship together over Advent and Christmas was the 'boost' I needed. We were able to share Carol services with our friends at both Hanover and Hughenden Courts. We held both Christingle and Carol services, Midnight Communion on Christmas Eve into Christmas Day, when we returned a little later for our family worship.

Many conversations have been had, and will continue to be, regarding the effects of the last two years. As I write, it is with much more optimism than last year, as we learn to live with the virus and continue to focus our attentions on serving our Lord and our community, both within and

beyond our building. Freedom and fellowship have returned for many, but each of us has a mandate to 'love our neighbour' and share the gospel; and so, we prayerfully commit ourselves to that purpose, equipped in new ways through this shared experience.

God bless, Pastor Sharon

Trustees Report for 2021.

Once again, I begin this report in expressing the Trustees thanks for your prayer and financial support through another exceptional year.

We began the year still in the grips of the pandemic, with Pre-School the only people using the building. Sunday Services continued to be on Zoom or the printed version either going out on email or being delivered.

It was not until the end of July that prayer meetings resumed, with church services starting on the 1st August. Weekly meetings gradually restarted over the autumn.

Zoom has been such a success we therefore managed to install this on the church computer enabling those who are housebound to continue to be part of Sunday worship.

During the year we were able to continue to maintain the building. The three new external doors were at last fitted and the Vestry / Store, stairs to the upper classroom and Green Room have all been decorated.

During October negotiations started on renewing the mortgage on The Manse for a further five-year fixed term. In readiness for the beginning of January 2022 when we reach the end of the first five years fixed term.

Hazlemere Free Methodist Church

Profit and Loss Report

01 January, 2021 - 31 December, 2021

Sales

Cash offerings no gift aid (10002)	16,349.40	
Christmas Donations to OpChChild (10041)	100.00	
Church Social Events / Meals (10043)	175.00	
Donations (10023)	5,000.00	
Funeral Fees (10042)	230.00	
HMRC Gift Aid (4011)	6,663.50	
Hall rental (10004)	11,740.38	
Harvest Donation for WWA (10040)	104.00	
Licence April Cottage (10034)	303.60	
Offerings with Gift Aid (10000)	17,932.70	
WRU Pension Contribution (10026)	690.00	
Wednesday Fellowship (10021)	137.10	
	Total Sales	£59,425.68

Direct Expenses

Church Presentation Costs (10007)	80.00	
Donations (10005)	604.00	
WRU Assessment (10030)	1,202.50	
WRU Pension Contribution to NEST (10039)	690.00	
	Total Direct Expenses	£2,576.50

GROSS PROFIT / LOSS	£56,849.18
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Overheads

Accountancy Fees (7611)	946.00
Bank charges & interest (7900)	-1.72

Catering (10027)	61.13	
Cleaning (7810)	602.80	
Cleaning Materials (10024)	185.56	
Employer's Pension (7007)	587.04	
Energy (7200)	1,787.20	
General expenses (8200)	77.17	
Insurance (7610)	831.61	
Kitchen Running costs (10022)	101.00	
Manse Expenses (10019)	3,338.36	
Manse Purchase (10014)	24,287.16	
Marketing (6200)	233.00	
Ministers Expenses (10025)	370.72	
Office costs (7500)	2,489.96	
Professional fees (7600)	416.22	
Repairs and renewals (7800)	6,663.04	
Staff (7000)	19,569.96	
Visiting Preachers Expenses (10028)	100.00	
Water Rates (7110)	186.81	
Total Overheads		£62,833.02
NET PROFIT / LOSS		-£5,983.84

REGISTERED CHARITY NUMBER: 1132405

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021
FOR
HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

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HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

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HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

The trustees present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 December 2021. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1132405

Principal address

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Hazlemere
High Wycombe
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Trustees

Nigel Carpenter
Kathy Dawkins
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Independent examiner

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STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes an unincorporated charity.

Risk management

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on and signed on its behalf by:

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Trustee

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021, which are set out on pages three to eight.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I have examined your charity's accounts as required under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act'). In carrying out my examination I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

My role is to state whether any material matters have come to my attention giving me cause to believe:

1. that accounting records were not kept as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. that the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. that the accounts do not comply with the accounting requirements of the Act; or
4. that there is further information needed for a proper understanding of the accounts.

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and have no concerns in respect of the matters (1) to (4) listed above and, in connection with following the Directions of the Charity Commission I have found no matters that require drawing to your attention.

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Date:

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	Notes	31.12.21 Unrestricted fund £	31.12.20 Total funds £
INCOMING RESOURCES			
Incoming resources from generated funds			
Voluntary income		58,736	68,597
Investment income	2	2	6
Total incoming resources		58,738	68,603
 RESOURCES EXPENDED			
Charitable activities			
Charitable activity		57,154	56,580
NET INCOMING RESOURCES		1,584	12,023
 RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS			
Total funds brought forward		192,215	180,192
 TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		193,799	192,215

The notes form part of these financial statements

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

BALANCE SHEET **AT 31 DECEMBER 2021**

		31.12.21	31.12.20
		Unrestricted	Total
		fund	funds
	Notes	£	£
FIXED ASSETS			
Tangible assets	4	404,117	412,395
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash at bank		24,693	30,807
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due within one year	5	(66,018)	(65,793)
NET CURRENT ASSETS/(LIABILITIES)		<u>(41,325)</u>	<u>(34,986)</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		362,792	377,409
CREDITORS			
Amounts falling due after more than one year	6	(168,993)	(185,194)
NET ASSETS		<u>193,799</u>	<u>192,215</u>
FUNDS	7		
Unrestricted funds		193,799	192,215
TOTAL FUNDS		<u>193,799</u>	<u>192,215</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on and were signed on its behalf by:

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Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS **FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

ACCOUNTING CONVENTION

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Charities Act 2011 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

INCOMING RESOURCES

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

RESOURCES EXPENDED

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Freehold Property - 50 years

Improvements to Property - 20 years

TAXATION

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

2. INVESTMENT INCOME

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Investment income	2	6
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3. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

TRUSTEES' EXPENSES

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 December 2021 nor for the year ended 31 December 2020.

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**4. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS**

	Freehold property £	Improvements to property £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 January 2021	361,181	102,924	464,105
Additions	-	4,307	4,307
At 31 December 2021	<u>361,181</u>	<u>107,231</u>	<u>468,412</u>
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 January 2021	28,896	22,814	51,710
Charge for year	7,224	5,361	12,585
At 31 December 2021	<u>36,120</u>	<u>28,175</u>	<u>64,295</u>
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 December 2021	<u>325,061</u>	<u>79,056</u>	<u>404,117</u>
At 31 December 2020	<u>332,285</u>	<u>80,110</u>	<u>412,395</u>

5. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Trade creditors	41,116	41,630
Taxation and social security	762	893
Other creditors	24,140	23,270
	<u>66,018</u>	<u>65,793</u>

6. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	31.12.21	31.12.20
	£	£
Bank loans	<u>168,993</u>	<u>185,194</u>

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021**7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS**

	At 1/1/21 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/21 £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	192,215	1,584	193,799
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>192,215</u>	<u>1,584</u>	<u>193,799</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	58,738	(57,154)	1,584
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>58,738</u>	<u>(57,154)</u>	<u>1,584</u>

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1/1/20 £	Net movement in funds £	At 31/12/20 £
Unrestricted Funds			
General fund	180,192	12,023	192,215
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>180,192</u>	<u>12,023</u>	<u>192,215</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	68,603	(56,580)	12,023
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>68,603</u>	<u>(56,580)</u>	<u>12,023</u>

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

7. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1/1/20	Net movement	At 31/12/21
	£	in funds	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	180,192	13,607	193,799
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>180,192</u>	<u>13,607</u>	<u>193,799</u>

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming	Resources	Movement in
	resources	expended	funds
	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds			
General fund	127,341	(113,734)	13,607
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>127,341</u>	<u>(113,734)</u>	<u>13,607</u>

HAZLEMERE FREE METHODIST CHURCH**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2021

	31.12.21 £	31.12.20 £
INCOMING RESOURCES		
Voluntary income		
Donation & legacies	46,996	68,597
Hall Rental	11,740	-
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	58,736	68,597
Investment income		
Investment income	2	6
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Total incoming resources	58,738	68,603
 RESOURCES EXPENDED		
Charitable activities		
Running cost of the church	6,940	6,417
Minister and visiting preacher	20,200	20,276
Church services and Sunday Sch	1,203	944
Donation paid	604	910
Governance Cost	25,285	24,451
General administration costs	2,922	3,582
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	57,154	56,580
Total resources expended	57,154	56,580
 Net income	<hr/>	<hr/>
	1,584	12,023
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