

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

A. Reference and Administration Details

Charity Name	Wrexham Methodist Circuit
Registered Charity Number	1132841
Principal Address	Wrexham Methodist Church, Regent Street, Wrexham. LL11 1RY

B. Structure, Governance and Management

Type of governing document	Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
How is the charity constituted	Act of Parliament
Trustee selection methods	Appointed by local churches and existing trustees: Ministers are automatically trustees.
Structure	Part of the Wales Synod; accountable to the Methodist Conference


C. Objectives and Activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document	<p>The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Date of Union the advancement of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 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.
Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects	<p>The circuit produces a quarterly preaching plan to ensure regular acts of worship take place at each of the 8 Methodist churches and chapels in its geographical area. These acts of worship are open to all.</p> <p>The circuit supports the Open the Book initiative and teams serve several local schools around the circuit. The circuit also runs and supports two successful after-school drop-ins in Llangollen and the old Rhosnesni chapel plus a number of parent and toddler groups. Some of our churches run successful Community Coffee Mornings. Most of our churches make their church halls available to their local communities as a resource, and we have also hosted coffee mornings and luncheon-clubs, which have been a much-valued meeting place for people from the wider community. Many churches collect for the local foodbank and a number of churches support the annual T4U shoe box appeal. A variety of other charities are supported by the efforts of individual churches.</p> <p>Also during the year volunteers from the circuit have worked as prison and university chaplains, pastoral visitors, hospital volunteers, volunteer drivers, and as helpers in the town's Foodbank and Holiday Hunger charities. Some of these activities are still recovering after Covid. We confirm that the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.</p>

D. Achievements and performance	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year	<p>The circuit exists to resource and support its churches in their mission to the communities in which they are situated. Worship is now offered in all our churches, usually in a morning but also in an afternoon or evening. We continue to offer online worship via Zoom each week, and have offered devotions using WhatsApp. A weekly newsletter and worship sheet are distributed by email (by post to those who have no access to email). This keeps members informed of news and developments.</p> <p>During the year Rhosddu Methodist Church became a class of Wrexham Methodist Church, though monthly worship at Rhosddu continues.</p>

E. Financial Review	
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves.	The Reserves Policy for the Wrexham Methodist Circuit is to hold a sum equivalent to 50% of a normal year's expenditure – ie. approximately £75,000. This is deemed sufficient to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure on manses and/or to be able to continue, in the short term, the funding of planned activities in the event of the closure of a large church or an inability to raise the full Circuit Assessment from churches.
Details of any funds materially in deficit	None
Overview of the accounts	<p>In the 2020/21 accounts:</p> <p>77% of the Circuit's income was provided by the local churches, and an additional 13% came in the form of grant support from the Wales Synod of the Methodist Church.</p> <p>60% of the Circuit's expenditure was on ministerial stipends and related costs, and a further 15% was our contribution to the Synod, of which part is used to fund the work of the wider Methodist Church. Major refurbishment of the Spring Road manse meant that a further 17% of expenditure was on property maintenance.</p>

F. Further Information	None
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G. Declaration	
<p>This report is submitted on behalf of the trustees by:</p> <p>Signature: </p> <p>Reverend Phillip Poole, Superintendent Minister, Wrexham Methodist Circuit</p>	

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Wrexham	Circuit
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Wales	District	Circuit no	2./26
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David Millington

Treasurer:

Sarah Haywood

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS					
a2	Assessment/Share	120,895			120,895	116,814
a3	Capital receipts					1,147
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	330	231	180	741	410
a5	Grants	19,000			19,000	20,000
a6	Other receipts	16,605			16,605	13,779
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	156,830	231	180	157,241 (a8)	152,150

SECTION B		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs	105,938			105,938	101,849
b3	Manse Costs	14,912			14,912	29,628
b4	Administration etc	4,983	144	22	5,149	7,627
b5	District Assessment	27,608	1,259		28,867	24,956
b6	Grants & donations					2,000
b7	Revaluation Adjustments			465	465	
b8	Other payments	2,370		158	2,528	3,509
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	155,811	1,403	645	157,859 (b9)	169,569

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	1,019	(1,172)	(465)	(618)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	54,525	50,342	7,396	112,263 (c6)	129,682
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	55,544	49,170	6,931	111,645
c4	Transfers and adjustments					
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	55,544	49,170	6,931	111,645 (c8)
						112,263 (c6)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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d	FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (these amounts should not be included in total receipts/payments above)					
d1	Balance brought forward from last year					
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations					
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations					
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)					

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING**SECTION E****Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page**

Summary of the Circuit accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Circuit 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 receipts and payments totals of the Circuit. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold of £250,000, 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 Circuit and connected Circuit Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1					1,465	1,465
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds					1,465 (e11)	1,465 (e12)
e9 Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	157,241 (a8)	157,859 (b9)	(618)	(c7)	112,263 (c6)	111,645 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	157,241	157,859	(618)		113,728 (x)	113,110 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	32,959	14,727
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	21,566	40,816
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	50,342	49,171
f6 Other funds	7,396	6,931
f7 SUB TOTAL	112,263 (c6)	111,645 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	1,465 (e11)	1,465 (e12)
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SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,150,580	1,361,147
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only CFB Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2022 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

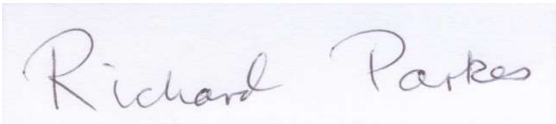
Signature of treasurer  Date..... 31/01/2023

Name and address of treasurer Sarah Haywood

41 Wynnstay Lane Marford Wrexham LL12 8LH

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on 2nd March 2023

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Richard Parkes

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

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Charity Number .

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Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the .. Wrexham Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages ... to As the Circuit'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 Circuit'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

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 *RAFogg*

Date 7th March 2023

Name of independent examiner **Richard A Fogg**

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner **ACA**

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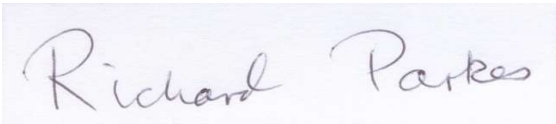
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