

Charity name: South Holderness Methodist Circuit

Registered charity number: 1132978

Names of the charity trustees:

Deacon	G	Agar	Mrs	J	Lister
Mrs	J	Agnew	Rev	M	Lloyd
Mrs	R	Beastall	Rev	D	Lucas (Chair)
Mr	A	Bettley	Mr	J	Lundy
Mr	A	Bryant			
Mr	S	Clayton	Mr	J	Munson
Mrs	K	Cornwall			
Mr	M	Cox			
Mrs	P	Dyson			
Miss	H	Edgar	Mrs	S	Overvoorde
Mrs	S	Green	Mr	G	Patrick
Mr	S	Hall	Mr	P	Plumb
			Mrs	P	Ramsey
			Mrs	J	Richardson
			Mr	J	Rockett
Mr	J	Harrison			
Mr	K	Harrison			
Mrs	M	Harrison			
Rev	H	Hickson			
Mrs	V	Hoff			
Mrs	C	Hughes			
Mrs	N	Jewitt			
Mr	M	Kemp			
Mr	P	Langdale			
Deacon	S	Langdale			
Mr	G	Langley			

The Chair was Rev Deborah Lucas of 31 Highfield SUTTON-ON-HULL HU7 4TW, the Superintendent Minister of the Circuit.

Names and addresses of advisers:

Legal: Stamp Jackson & Proctor 5 Parliament St, Hull HU1 2AZ

Financial: David Gray 2008 Ltd Gray's Stores Main Road THORNGUMBALD HU12 9LS

Estate Agents: Haller Evans 1 Parliament Street HULL HU1 2AR

Bankers: CAF Bank Ltd 25 Kings Hill Avenue Kings Hill WEST MALLING ME19 4JQ

Name of Circuit Treasurer: Philip Langdale 20 Barra Close, Hull HU8 9JB

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document: Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)

How the charity is constituted: Appointed by local churches and existing trustees; Ministers are automatically trustees

Additional governance issues

The Circuit works according to the Constitution, Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church.

Induction/Training

A range of guidance is produced by Methodist Connexion and provided as required. The leaflet 'The Role of a Trustee in The Methodist Church' has been given to each trustee. All trustees who are required have undertaken Creating Safer Space Foundation Module training.

Structure

The South Holderness Methodist Circuit is part of the Yorkshire North and East District and is accountable to the Methodist Conference.

Summary from the Risk Assessment

We have identified the main areas of risk to Charity and identified control measures to those risks placing them into categories of low, medium and high. Under the retained risk categories, we are monitoring the low (green) risks, we have identified control measures to mitigate the effects of the medium (amber) risks and continue to strive to address the high risks where possible.

Retained Risk

- Green – risk is well managed but keep under review: 6 identified
- Amber – Even well managed, vigilance is essential: 9 identified
- Red – even with great effort high risk remains but remedy entirely outside our control: 1 identified

(Risk Assessment Available on request)

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

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.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects:

- The trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.
- The Circuit exists to help the Churches in the Circuit to a, increase awareness of God's presence and celebrate God's love, b, help people to learn and grow as Christians, through mutual support and care and c, be a good neighbour to people in need and challenge injustice
- The Circuit produces a quarterly preaching plan to ensure regular acts of worship take place at each of the 10 Methodist Churches in its geographical area. These are open to all

The Circuit Model Trust Fund had a balance at the year-end of £ 93636. These funds derive from sales of chapels and manses and are restricted by the Conference. This restriction is an internal regulation though the fund can be used for a variety of purposes. The Circuit Leadership team has drawn up a set of recommendations, which have been accepted by the Circuit Meeting, to ensure grants made from the Circuit Model Trust Fund are used effectively for mission and capital works.

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

- The Circuit was served by two presbyters, and one local pastor. The circuit celebrated the Reception into Full Connexion and the Ordination of the probationer presbyter. One of the supernumerary deacons provided support in pastoral and community work in the rural and coastal section as the recruitment process of a local pastor was unsuccessful on three occasions.
- Plans to recruit a new part-time Circuit Administrator were initiated.
- The churches continued to emerge from the effects of the coronavirus with increased in person engagement in church, worship, and local community settings.
- New pathways of worship and communication continued to be explored with the provision of online worship, telephone links, and zoom meetings.
- The Circuit marked the closure of Keyingham Methodist Church with a Service of Thanksgiving. The Circuit continued to support a new worshipping community meeting in the Keyingham Village Hall.
- The Circuit marked the closure of Thorngumbald Methodist Church with a Service of Thanksgiving.
- The Bransholme Church community witness grew, especially through the work with local families, with grants supplied to help the refurbishment of the premises after the extensive vandalism.

- The engagement with District Net Carbon Zero plans made progress in three of the Circuit churches and plans to improve our carbon footprint were explored in other Circuit churches too.
- Work progressed on the design and development of the new Circuit website.

Plans for 2021 / 2022

- To continue to undertake a staffing review – to reassess the recruitment of a Local Pastor for the rural and coastal areas. To consider other roles for this lay position, for example working in the community, with young people or as a mission enabler across the Circuit.
- Recruitment of a part-time (8 hours) Circuit Administrator
- To progress the sale of Keyingham Methodist Church and Chapel Cottage.
- To progress the sale of Thorngumbald Methodist Church.
- To continue with the development of the new website for the Circuit.
- To continue to engage with the District Net Carbon Zero plans for Sutton and Bransholme, and Elsternwick Churches. The installation of solar panels and battery (if necessary) is expected for the three churches during the year. Exploring Net Carbon Zero options for Withernsea and other churches in the Circuit.
- To support the community links and partnerships through mission work at each of the churches including the development of a digital hub, 'warm space' provision, family work, hospitality initiatives.
- To encourage further development of ecumenical links through shared worship, discussion groups and outreach ventures including open-air services in certain locations.
- To continue the online provision of worship, mid-week prayer and study groups.
- To encourage participation in the wider mission of the Church through such events as the District 'Flourish' Weekend in Scarborough, and support for Send A Child to School (SACTS) in Africa,

RESERVES POLICY for South Holderness Methodist Circuit

1 September 2022

This document includes all funds held by the Circuit Meeting as charity trustees. Our Reserves Policy relates to our general (unrestricted) funds which are freely available to be used for any or all of the purposes of the Circuit and restricted funds which are designated for specific projects as shown in the report. These are included for the sake of clarity and openness and to show that the Circuit has a policy for the management of all of its money.

Aims

Our aim is twofold:

- (1) To secure and sustain the Circuit's viability and future.
- (2) To give reassurance to the general public that the Circuit, which is a charity, intends to use all of the money coming into its care for the purposes of the charity.

3 Step Process

(1) Mission Policy

The Circuit's Mission Policy is set out in a separate document and was approved by the Circuit Meeting (as wthe charity trustees) essentially, it provides for:

- (a) The ministerial oversight and pastoral care of the Ten local churches in the Circuit.
- (b) The support of a ministry team of Ordained and Lay Ministers comprising of
2 Presbyters, 2 Local Pastors (1 yet to be appointed) with 2 active Supernumerary Deacons, and 2 Supernumerary presbyters. We also employ a Children and Family Worker a part time Circuit Administrator was appointed in March 2023
- (c) The maintenance of the four Circuit manses

(2) Financial Plans

The Circuit Assessment is reviewed annually and covers the costs of 1(a) and (b) above and is based on offers from each church towards a share in the total cost. We make provision for our property maintenance programme by - designating £21414 this annum for all manse expenditure including water, council tax and alarm and Gas Maintenance contract.

The Circuit Fund (Unrestricted general fund) Balance at year end: £223019.

Under Standing Orders, the Circuit must meet its financial obligations in relation to the support of its ministers and the maintenance of the manses. The total cost for the last financial year was £190849. Our

Reserves Policy is to hold approximately six month's expenditure in hand which we have adjusted to £109296.

Model Trust Fund (Restricted Fund) Balance at year end £93636. This fund derives from sales of chapels and manses and is restricted by the Conference. This restriction is an internal regulation though the fund can be used for a variety of purposes.

(3) Reserves Policy

The Charity Commission have agreed that it is appropriate for the trustees to set a policy for the management of this fund and that policy is set out below:

Reserves

Income	£
Cash Balances	223019
Cash Model Trust	93636
Debtor & Repayments	10512
Total	327167

Liabilities	
Prepaid Assessment	29381
Accrual Expenses	9811
Prepaid Grants	25100
Total Liabilities	64292

Total	262875
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Budget Deficit	35265
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Total	227610
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50% Of Expenditure Reserve	118314
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Over Reserves	109296
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It is planned that this over reserve will be eliminated by 31 August 2025

Signed:*D. M. Lucas*..... Reverend Deborah Lucas, Chair
Date:*24th May 2023*.....

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

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2021-22
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income							
1 Donations and legacies							0
2 Income from monetary investments		849					849
3 Income from investment properties							0
4 Assessments on Churches		165,448					165,448
5 Capital Receipts							0
6 Grants received		23,867					23,867
7 Other charitable income		18,519					
8 Total income		208,683	-	-	-	-	208,683
Expenditure							
9 Grants and donations							0
10 Salaries and associated costs		120,890					120,890
11 Property maintenance		3,279					3,279
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy							0
13 District Assessment & Levy		46,525					46,525
14 Depreciation							0
15 Office expenses							0
16 Other outgoings		20,155					20,155
17 Total charitable expenditure		190,849	0	0	0	0	190,849
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments							0
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties							
20 Net income/(expenditure)		17,834	0	0	0	0	17,834
21 Transfers between funds		248,589					248,589
22 Other gains/(losses)							0
23 Net movement in funds		266,423	0	0	0	0	266,423
24 Total funds brought forward							0
25 Total funds carried forward		266,423	-	-	-	-	266,423

Name of Circuit

Circuit No

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

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Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Totals 2021/22	Totals 2020/21
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£

Fixed Assets

Circuit Manses & Equipment	1,685,522					1,685,522	1,436,933
Investment properties						0	
Investments	2,032					2,032	2,168
Total fixed assets	1,687,554	0	0	0	0	1,687,554	1,439,101

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R**Current Assets**

Debtors	10,512					10,512	12,618
Loans by the Circuit						0	
Investments with TMCP	93,636					93,636	95,867
Central Finance Board Deposits	192,613					192,613	188,647
Cash at Bank and in hand	30,406					30,406	31,996
Total current assets	327,167	0	0	0	0	327,167	329,128

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T**Current liabilities**

Creditors (due in under 1 year)	48,892					48,892	0
Grants payable within 2021-22						0	13,567
Total current liabilities	48,892	0	0	0	0	48,892	13,567
Net current assets/liabilities	278,275	0	0	0	0	278,275	315,561

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Total assets less current liabilities	1,965,829	0	0	0	0	1,965,829	1,754,662
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Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)							
Grants payable after 2021-22	15,400					15,400	23,100
Loans to the Circuit						0	
Net assets	1,950,429	0	0	0	0	1,950,429	1,731,562

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W**Funds of the Circuit**

General Fund (Unrestricted)	1,950,429					1,950,429	1,545,350
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)		0				0	186,212
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)			0			0	
Total Unrestricted Funds						1,950,429	1,731,562
Restricted Funds				0		0	
Endowment Funds					0	0	
Total Funds	1,950,429	0	0	0	0	1,950,429	1,731,562

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Signed

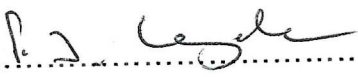


Circuit Treasurer

Name of Circuit South Holderness No...29/32.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these accruals-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 24/5/2023


Name and address of treasurer

..... Philip Langdale

..... 20 Barra Close, Hull Post Code HU8 9JB

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/will ~~be~~ presented to the Circuit meeting held on: 15th March 2023

Signature of the Chair of the meeting: 

Name of the Chair of the meeting: DEBORAH LUCAS Date 24/05/2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

..... South Holderness Circuit

Charity Number 1132978

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the South Holderness Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages 1. to 2. 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.

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Name of Circuit SOUTH HOLDERNESS No 29/31

Independent Examiner's Statement

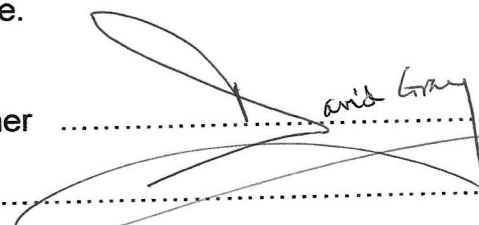
~~[The Circuit's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of (insert name of applicable listed body)]. Delete [] if not applicable.~~

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; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination ~~Delete if not applicable i.e. all R&P accounts~~
- the trustees' annual report is not consistent with the accounts ~~Delete if not applicable i.e. all R&P accounts.~~

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: DAVID GRAY

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner: NFCA

Name of firm (where appropriate): DAVID GRAY

Address: GRAYS' STORES

..... MAIN ROAD

..... THORNGUMBALD

..... HULL

Post Code: HU12 9LS

Date: 7th March 2023

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Circuit SOUTH HOLDESS No 29/32

Independent Examiner's Statement

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Signature of independent examiner

Name of independent examiner:

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner:

Name of firm (where appropriate):

Address:

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Date: 7th March 2023

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September 2022