

CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1133020

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2009-11-30

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: 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 or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

Activities: The provision of administrative and logistical support for the Methodist churches in the Clitheroe Methodist Circuit. Providing opportunities for the member congregations to meet and maximise the Methodist churches influence in the Ribble Valley area and to work with other denominations in that area for the benefit of the whole community.

Classification

- **How:** Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- Lancashire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£133,728	£159,580	-	-
2024-08-31	£137,180	£175,504	-	-
2023-08-31	£134,923	£132,485	-	-
2022-08-31	£148,758	£128,735	-	-
2021-08-31	£127,350	£133,165	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev IAN HUMPHREYS	Chair	2012-09-28
CYNTHIA CROYDON		2025-09-11
Christine Britcliffe		2018-06-11
DOROTHY HEATHER HOWARD		
Dorothy Hughes		2021-09-01
Emma Woodhouse		2016-01-21
GWENDOLINE ANNE BRIDGEMAN		
Heather Whittaker		2023-07-02
Hylida Rose Emsden		2025-02-10
IRENE ELIZABETH PARSONS		2016-01-21
Ian Darbyshire		2016-06-30
JOHN GARNER BA		
Judith Carlton		2024-09-19
Kathleen Calvert		2016-09-01
Kathryn Mary Pedley		2026-03-18
MARGARET JACKSON		2012-09-28
Norman John Pedley		2019-01-28
PETER HOWARD		
Peter John Lumsden		2018-06-11
ROBIN SCAPPATICCI LLB ACMA		2015-01-01
Roy Porter		2016-09-01
STELLA ROSTHORN		

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CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT
Annual Report Year End 31st Aug 2025

NORTH WEST ENGLAND DISTRICT
Circuit No. 01/09

Superintendent Minister
Rev Dr Ian M Humphreys

CIRCUIT MISSION STATEMENT

“By encouraging each other to grow in faith and make new disciples of Jesus Christ, we seek to revitalise our Christian witness in the Ribble Valley”

CENTRAL AIM OF THE CIRCUIT

To manage the necessary structures and resources to enable the churches in the circuit to support one another and to maximise their efficiency and effectiveness in accordance with the Mission Statement

NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THE CIRCUIT

The Circuit is the primary unit in which local churches express and experience their interconnexion in the Body of Christ, for purposes of mission, mutual encouragement and help. It is in the Circuit that presbyters, deacons and probationers are stationed and local preachers are trained and admitted and exercise their calling. The purposes of the Circuit include the effective deployment of the resources of ministry, which include people, property and finance, as they relate to the Methodist churches in the Circuit, to churches of other denominations and to participation in the life of the communities served by the Circuit, including local schools and in ecumenical work in the area.

taken from Standing Order 500 of The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church

OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR

The Clitheroe Circuit of the Methodist Church is part of the newly merged North West England District. The Circuit is a small rural circuit composed of five Methodist Churches. These churches are located in the villages of Chatburn, Paythorne, Waddington and Whalley and the local market town of Clitheroe.

Each church has a Church Council which is responsible for the day-to-day management of the church and each church is represented at the Circuit Meeting which has the responsibility of overseeing the well-being of Methodism in the area and providing a link between the individual churches, the North West England District and the Methodist National Connexion.

The regular work of the circuit includes: the planning of Ministers and Local Preachers to lead worship; caring for our staff members; exercising financial prudence; accepting and undertaking our District and National responsibilities; arranging training sessions for new leaders and staff; training and re-training of officers and members with responsibilities for working with children and vulnerable adults in accordance

with the safer recruitment, safeguarding policies and procedures of the circuit and individual churches; overseeing circuit properties, compliance to GDPR and giving support to both individual churches and their members.

During the year the full-time minister Rev Kathy Flynn left the circuit and has not been replaced. Two new trustees were appointed Hylda Emsden and Cynthia Croydon. The circuit preaching plan has been supported by supernumerary ministers. Trinity Church hired a part-time community hub receptionist.

We are pleased to record that during the year under review we had no serious incidents to report.

FINANCE

All the churches and circuit are financially sound and the finances are being responsibly managed. The Finance Support Group, which has representatives from the circuit meeting and each church, the ministers and circuit stewards, oversees the circuit finances, including the procedures for completing the annual accounts and the recommendation of the annual budget for the circuit. The circuit accounts are audited annually by an independent professional examiner. The Finance Support Group also provides opportunities for the members to discuss items of interest or concern relating to the finances of each church.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Although the work of the circuit is primarily that of providing support, advice and encouragement to the churches within the circuit, it does create ideas and initiatives which are of public benefit accommodating a unique range of community activities and groups. These normally include groups such as Whalley Eleveses, Trinity Tots, Whalley Little Fishes, Waddington Waddlers, Walking Groups and pastoral care in a range of small home groups and large group settings.

At Trinity Church, their Community Hub was run by a part-time hub manager, a deputy manager and a part-time receptionist. During the year they continued the work of the hub and had 81 external users of the premises including the Foodbank, U3A, Lloyds and Barclays banks, various parts of the NHS and other agencies regularly using it as a base. Local community groups of the young and old and a range of groups concerned with addiction recovery, physical exercise, mental health and well-being. In addition, a weekly warm hub has continued offering help to our community in the midst of the cost-of-living crisis. The circuit actively encourages it's churches to participate in ecumenical activities for the benefit of local people.

The Ribble Valley Foodbank is based at Trinity Community Hub and has expanded its offer of support to those in need including running an Olive Branch Café twice a week on a pay as you can afford basis and has a number of agencies which give advice and help to those struggling with various issues including health, finance and housing. Run by a team of 70 volunteers, The Foodbank supplies over 200 three-day emergency packages of food per month. All the circuit churches hold food collection points for the Foodbank.

Our churches in Clitheroe, Whalley, Waddington and Chatburn all provide hired meeting spaces for local community groups.

Regular collections for various local and national charities are held for a wide variety of appeals.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Clitheroe Methodist	Circuit
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2025

North West England	District	Circuit no	1/9
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1133020

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

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(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)

Ministers:

Rev Ian Humphreys

Circuit Stewards:

Steuart Kellington
Judith Carlton
Wendy Bridgeman
Norman Pedley

Treasurer:

Steuart Kellington

ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 August 2025

Clitheroe Methodist

Circuit

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	Note	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share		125,450		125,450	125,450
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		1,390	577	1,967	3,195
a5	Grants					
a6	Other receipts		5,814		497	6,311
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS		132,654	577	497	133,728 (a8)

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs		100,049			100,049
b3	Manse Costs		14,273			14,273
b4	Administration etc		10,876	40		10,916
b5	District Assessment		28,279	118		28,397
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments		2,659		3,286	5,945
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS		156,136	158	3,286	159,580 (b9)

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	(23,482)	419	(2,789)	(25,852)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		64,228	12,208	15,818	92,254 (c6)
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	40,746	12,627	13,029	66,402
c4	Transfers and adjustments					(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	40,746	12,627	13,029	66,402 (c8)

SECTION D				
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

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds				(e11)	(e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)					
	133,728 (a8)	159,580 (b9)	(25,852)	(c7)	92,254 (c6)	66,402 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT					
	133,728	159,580	(25,852)		92,254 (x)	66,402 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS		TOTAL PAYMENTS			

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1		
f2	35,080	17,635 f5
f3		
f4	44,966	36,139 f5
f5	12,208	12,628
f6		
f7	SUB TOTAL	
	92,254 (c6)	66,402 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	
	(e11)	(e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	
	92,254 (x)	66,402 (y)

SECTION G
OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1		
g2	1,085,922	1,389,952
g3	26,781	51,859
g4		
g5		

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)

Name of Circuit Clitheroe No. ~~219~~ 119

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of bookkeeper *[Signature]* Date 14/10/25

Name and address of bookkeeper.....

Tracey Spencer, Brook Farm, Longsight Road, Clayton-le-Dale, BB1 9EX

Signature of treasurer *S. L. Rostrom* Date 12/12/26

Name and address of treasurer .. *Bolton, Raynham, Clitheroe*

..... Post Code *B17 4JD*

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on *12/2/26*

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *[Signature]*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *REV IAN HUMPHREYS* Date *12/Feb/26*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Clitheroe Methodist Circuit

Charity Number 1133020

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Clitheroe Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2025 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').

Name of Circuit Clitheroe No 119

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 JAMES EVANS

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner FCA (ICAEW)

Name of firm (where appropriate) DAVID H. EVANS LTD

Address UNIT 27B, MITTON ROAD BUSINESS PARK, MITTON ROAD, WHALLEY Post Code BB7 9ME

Date 03/12/2025

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CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1133020

Accounts

CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

ANNUAL REPORT 2024-25

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**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Clitheroe Methodist	Circuit
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2024**

North West England. Lancashire	District	Circuit no	1/9
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Rev Kathy Flynn

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Norman Pedley
Judith Carlton
Steuart Kellington

Treasurer:

Steuart Kellington

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1 RECEIPTS	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share	125,450			125,450	125,450
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2,809	386		3,195	3,108
a5	Grants					
a6	Other receipts	952	7,356	227	8,535	6,365
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	129,211	7,742	227	137,180 (a8)	134,923

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	96,238			96,238	87,749
b3	Manse Costs	38,856			38,856	9,769
b4	Administration etc	8,805	13		8,818	7,498
b5	District Assessment	27,643	115		27,758	23,506
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments	2,000		1,834	3,834	3,963
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	173,542	128	1,834	175,504 (b9)	132,485

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(44,331) (a7-b9)	7,614	(1,607)	(38,324)	2,438
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	108,559	4,594	17,425	130,578 (c6)	128,140
c3	Sub total	64,228 (c1+c2)	12,208	15,818	92,254	130,578
c4	Transfers and adjustments					
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	64,228 (c3+c4)	12,208	15,818	92,254 (c8)	130,578 (c6)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS						
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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds				(e11)	(e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	137,180 (a8)	175,504 (b9)	(38,324)	130,578 (c6)	92,254 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	137,180	175,504	(38,324)	130,578 (x)	92,254 (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 2024**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES	
f1	Cash in hand	76	
f2	Bank Current Account	32,279	35,080
f3	Bank Deposit Account		
f4	Central Finance Board	93,872	44,966
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	4,594	12,208
f6	Other funds	(213)	
f7	SUB TOTAL	130,578 (c6)	92,254 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	(e11)	(e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	130,578 (x)	92,254 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024	
g1	Investments (include Endowments)		
g2	Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,037,173	1,085,922
g3	Other Assets	24,850	26,781
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)

Name of Circuit Clitheroe No... 1/9.....

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 Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of bookkeeper *[Signature]* Date *18/11/24*.....

Name and address of bookkeeper.....

Tracey Spencer, Brook Farm, Longsight Road, Clayton-le-Dale, BB1 9EX

Signature of treasurer *[Signature]* Date *20/3/25*.....

Name and address of treasurer *Dr. STEVART HAROLD KELLINGTON*
18, CLAREMONT AVENUE, CLITHEROE, LANC Post Code *BB7 1JN*.....

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/will be*

presented to the Circuit meeting held on *24-3-25*.....

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *[Signature]*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *Rev Ian Humphreys* Date *24-3-25*.....

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Clitheroe Methodist Circuit

Charity Number 1133020

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the *CLITHEROE* *METHODIST*
Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages *2* to *3*.. 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

Name of CircuitClitheroe..... No ... 1/9.....

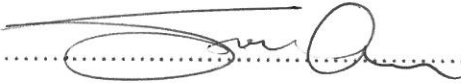
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Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner JAMES EVANS

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ACA

Name of firm (where appropriate) EVANS ACCOUNTANTS

Address UNIT 27B MITTON ROAD BUSINESS PARK, MITTON ROAD,
..... WALLEY Post Code BB7 9YE

Date 04/03/2025

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Circuit Clitheroe No ... 1/9

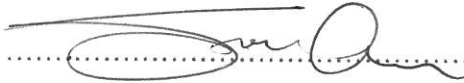
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Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner JAMES EVANS

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ACA

Name of firm (where appropriate) EVANS ACCOUNTANTS

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..... WALLEY Post Code BB7 9YE

Date 04/03/2025

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CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1133020

Accounts

CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-24

LANCASHIRE DISTRICT **CIRCUIT NO 21/09**

Superintendent Minister
Rev Dr Ian M Humphreys

Minister
Rev Kathryn Flynn

CIRCUIT MISSION STATEMENT

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CENTRAL AIM OF THE CIRCUIT

To manage the necessary structures and resources to enable the churches in the circuit to support one another and to maximise their efficiency and effectiveness in accordance with the Mission Statement

NATURE AND PURPOSE OF THE CIRCUIT

The Circuit is the primary unit in which local churches express and experience their interconnexion in the Body of Christ, for purposes of mission, mutual encouragement and help. It is in the Circuit that presbyters, deacons and probationers are stationed and local preachers are trained and admitted and exercise their calling. The purposes of the Circuit include the effective deployment of the resources of ministry, which include people, property and finance, as they relate to the Methodist churches in the Circuit, to churches of other denominations and to participation in the life of the communities served by the Circuit, including local schools and in ecumenical work in the area.

Extract taken from Standing Order 500 of The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church.

OVERVIEW OF THE YEAR

The Clitheroe Circuit of the Methodist Church is a small rural circuit composed of five churches. These churches are located in the villages of Chatburn, Paythorne, Waddington and Whalley and the local market town of Clitheroe.

Each church has a Church Council which is responsible for the day-to-day management of the church and each church is represented at the Circuit Meeting which has the responsibility of overseeing the well-being of Methodism in the area and providing a link between the individual churches, the Lancashire District and the Methodist National Connexion.

The regular work of the Circuit includes: the planning of Ministers and Local Preachers to lead worship; caring for our staff members; exercising financial prudence; accepting and undertaking our District and National responsibilities; arranging training sessions for new leaders and staff; training and re-training of officers and members with responsibilities for working with children and vulnerable adults in accordance with the safeguarding policies and procedures of the Circuit and individual churches; overseeing Circuit property and giving support to both individual churches and church members.

We are pleased to record that during the year under review we have had no serious incidents to report.

FINANCE

All the churches and Circuit are financially sound and the finances are being responsibly managed. The Finance Support Group, which has representatives from the Circuit Meeting and each church, the ministers and Circuit Stewards, oversees the Circuit Finances, including the procedures for completing the annual accounts and the recommendation of the annual budget for the Circuit. The Circuit accounts are audited annually by an independent professional examiner. The Finance Support Group also provides opportunities for the members to discuss items of interest or concern relating to the finances of each church.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Although the work of the Circuit is primarily that of providing support, advice and encouragement to the churches within the Circuit, it does create ideas and initiatives which are of public benefit accommodating a unique range of community activities and groups. These normally include Whalley Elevenses, Toddler Groups – Trinity Tots, Whalley Little Fishes, Waddington Waddlers, Walking Groups and pastoral care in a range of small and large group settings.

At Trinity Church Clitheroe the Community Hub is run by a part-time hub manager. During the year we have expanded the hub and have 74 external users of our premises including a Group to support Ukrainian refugees, the Ribble Valley Foodbank, various parts of the NHS and other agencies regularly use it as a base, local community groups of the young and old and a range of groups concerned with addiction recovery, mental health and well-being. In addition, a community lounge and warm space has continued offering help to our community in the midst of the cost-of-living crisis.

The Ribble Valley Foodbank uses the premises and has expanded its offer of support to those in need including running an Olive Branch Café twice a week on a pay as you can afford basis and has a number of agencies which give advice and help to those struggling with various issues including health, finance and housing. Run by a team of 85 volunteers, The Foodbank supplies over 200 three-day emergency packages of food per month. All the Circuit churches hold food collecting boxes for the Foodbank.

Our churches in Clitheroe, Whalley, Waddington and Chatburn all provide meeting spaces for local community groups. All churches hold regular collections for charities both in this country and abroad, and donations are made to a wide variety of appeals.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Clitheroe Methodist	Circuit
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2023**

Lancashire	District	Circuit no	21/9
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number	1133020
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If not a registered charity Her 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)

Ministers:

Rev Ian Humphreys
Rev Kathy Flynn

Circuit Stewards:

Wendy Bridgeman
Norman Pedley
Steuart Kellington

Treasurer:

Steuart Kellington

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share	125,450			125,450	125,450
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	2,965	143		3,108	385
a5	Grants					
a6	Other receipts	6,125		240	6,365	22,923
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	134,540	143	240	134,923 (a8)	148,758

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	87,749			87,749	83,103
b3	Manse Costs	9,769			9,769	10,792
b4	Administration etc	7,485	13		7,498	7,676
b5	District Assessment	23,392	114		23,506	23,509
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments	1,871		2,092	3,963	3,655
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	130,266	127	2,092	132,485 (b9)	128,735

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	£	£	£	£	£
c1	(a7-b9)	4,274	16	(1,852)	2,438	20,023
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	104,285	4,578	19,277	128,140 (c6)	108,117
c3	Sub total (c1+c2)	108,559	4,594	17,425	130,578	128,140
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR (c3+c4)	108,559	4,594	17,425	130,578 (c8)	128,140 (c6)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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					50
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations					125
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations					175
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 2023 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
c1						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds				(e11)	(e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)					
	134,923 (a8)	132,485 (b9)	2,438	(c7)	128,140 (c6)	130,578 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT				128,140 (x)	130,578 (y)
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS			

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2023		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	Cash in hand	76	76
f2	Bank Current Account	28,363	32,279
f3	Bank Deposit Account		
f4	Central Finance Board	95,686	93,872
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	4,578	4,594
f6	Other funds	(563)	(243)
f7	SUB TOTAL	128,140 (c6)	130,578 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	(e11)	(e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	128,140 (x)	130,578 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1	Investments (include Endowments)	
g2	Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	876,724
g3	Other Assets	22,351
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 2023 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of bookkeeper  Date... 16/10/23

Name and address of bookkeeper.....

Tracey Spencer, Brook Farm, Longsight Road, Clayton-le-Dale, BB1 9EX

Signature of treasurer  Date... 16/2/2024

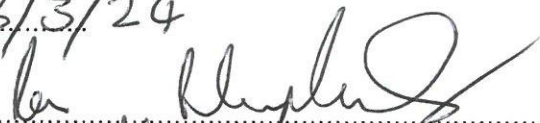
Name and address of treasurer STEWART HAROLD KELLINGTON.....

18 CLAREMONT AVENUE CLITHEROE Post Code... BB7 1JN.

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were/will be*

presented to the Circuit meeting held on 18/3/24

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting REV IAN HUMPHREYS Date 18/3/24

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Clitheroe Methodist Circuit

Charity Number 1133020

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Clitheroe Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 1 to 3. 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:

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Signature of independent examiner *A. J. Jackson*

Name of independent examiner *ANDREW JACKSON*

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner *fCCA*

Name of firm (where appropriate) *ECAN ROBERTS*

Address *Suite 46, Manor Court, SALESBURY HALL*

..... *ROAD, LIVERPOOL* Post Code *L13 3XR*

Date *15/2/24*

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CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1133020

Accounts

CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

ANNUAL REPORT 2022/3

LANCASHIRE DISTRICT **CIRCUIT NO 21/09**

Superintendent Minister
Rev Dr Ian M Humphreys

Minister
Rev Kathryn Flynn

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taken from Standing Order 500 of The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church

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We are pleased to record that during the year under review we have had no serious incidents to report.

FINANCE

All the churches and Circuit are financially sound and the finances are being responsibly managed. Meetings are normally held twice each year of a Finance Support Group, which has representatives from the Circuit Meeting and each church, the ministers and Circuit Stewards, to oversee the Circuit Finances, including the procedures for completing the annual accounts and the recommendation of the annual budget for the Circuit. The Finance Group also provides opportunities for the members to discuss items of interest or concern relating to the finances of each church.

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At Trinity Church and community Hub in Clitheroe a part-time hub manager has been appointed and subsequently the newly developed back rooms have been re-opened. In the first year we have seen 64 new external users of our premises including a Group to support Ukrainian refugees, the Ribble Valley Foodbank, various parts of the NHS regularly use it as a base, local community groups of the young and old and a range of groups concerned with addiction recovery, mental health and well-being. In addition, a community lounge and warm space opened and has continued offering help to our community in the midst of the cost-of-living crisis. There has been a move to multi agency and organisation collaboration, working for the benefit of the community needs that have emerged.

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Clitheroe Methodist	Circuit
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2022

Lancashire	District	Circuit no	21/9
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1133020

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Rev Ian Humphreys
Rev Kathy Flynn

Circuit Stewards:

Roland Hailwood
Wendy Bridgeman
Norman Pedley
Steuart Kellington

Treasurer:

Steuart Kellington

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share	125,450			125,450	125,450
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	364	21		385	113
a5	Grants					
a6	Other receipts	21,823		1,100	22,923	1,787
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	147,637	21	1,100	148,758 (a8)	127,350

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	83,103			83,103	81,661
b3	Manse Costs	10,792			10,792	14,465
b4	Administration etc	7,663	13		7,676	8,576
b5	District Assessment	23,392	117		23,509	22,832
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments	2,137		1,518	3,655	5,631
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	127,087	130	1,518	128,735 (b9)	133,165

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	£	£	£	£	£
c1	(a7-b9)	20,550	(109)	(418)	20,023	(5,815)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	83,735	4,687	19,695	108,117 (c6)	113,932
c3	Sub total (c1+c2)	104,285	4,578	19,277	128,140	108,117
c4	Transfers and adjustments					
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR (c3+c4)	104,285	4,578	19,277	128,140 (c8)	108,117 (c6)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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				50	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations				125	250
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				175	200
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)					50

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds				(e11)	(e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	148,758 (a8)	128,735 (b9)	20,023	108,117 (c6)	128,140 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	148,758	128,735	20,023	108,117 (x)	128,140 (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	76	76
f2	Bank Current Account	8,592	28,363
f3	Bank Deposit Account		
f4	Central Finance Board	94,762	95,686
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	4,687	4,578
f6	Other funds		(563)
f7	SUB TOTAL	108,117 (c6)	128,140 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	(e11)	(e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	108,117 (x)	128,140 (y)

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)	808,031	876,724
g3	Other Assets	18,956	22,351
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 bookkeeper *[Signature]* Date *6/2/23*

Name and address of bookkeeper.....

Tracey Spencer, Brook Farm, Longsight Road, Clayton-le-Dale, BB1 9EX

Signature of treasurer *[Signature]* Date *6/2/23*

Name and address of treasurer *Dr. S.H. Kellington*
18. Claremont Avenue, Clitheroe Post Code *BB7 1JN.*

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 *13-3-23*

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *[Signature]*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *Rev IAN HUMPHREYS* Date *13-3-23*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Clitheroe Methodist Circuit

Charity Number 1133020

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the *Clitheroe Methodist* Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages *1* to *3*. 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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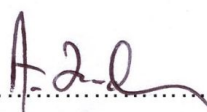
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Signature of independent examiner 

Name of independent examiner Andrew Jackson

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner FCCA

Name of firm (where appropriate) Egan Robles

Address Suite 44, Manor Court, Spresbury Hall Road

..... Lancaster Post Code PR3 3XR

Date 6/2/2013

* delete or circle as appropriate

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CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1133020

Accounts

CLITHEROE METHODIST CIRCUIT

ANNUAL REPORT 2020-21

LANCASHIRE DISTRICT **CIRCUIT NO 21/09**

Superintendent Minister
Rev Dr Ian M Humphreys

Minister
Rev Kathryn Flynn

CIRCUIT MISSION STATEMENT

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The Clitheroe Circuit of the Methodist Church is a small rural circuit composed of five churches. These churches are located in the villages of Chatburn, Paythorne, Waddington and Whalley and the local market town of Clitheroe.

Each church has a Church Council which is responsible for the day to day management of the church and each church is represented at the Circuit Meeting which has the responsibility of overseeing the well-being of Methodism in the area and providing a link between the individual churches, the Lancashire District and the Methodist National Connexion.

The regular work of the Circuit includes: the planning of Ministers and Local Preachers to lead worship; caring for our staff members; exercising financial prudence; accepting and undertaking our District and National responsibilities; arranging training sessions for new leaders and staff; training and re-training of officers and members with responsibilities for working with children and vulnerable adults in accordance with the safeguarding policies and procedures of the Circuit and individual churches; overseeing Circuit property and giving support to both individual churches and church members.

We are pleased to record that during the year under review we have had no serious incidents to report.

FINANCE

All the churches and Circuit are financially sound and the finances are being responsibly managed. Meetings are normally held twice each year of a Finance Support Group, which has representatives from the Circuit Meeting and each church, the ministers and Circuit Stewards, to oversee the Circuit Finances, including the procedures for completing the annual accounts and the recommendation of the annual budget for the Circuit. The Finance Group also provides opportunities for the members to discuss items of interest or concern relating to the finances of each church.

PUBLIC BENEFIT

Although the work of the Circuit is primarily that of providing support, advice and encouragement to the churches within the Circuit, it does create ideas and initiatives which are of public benefit accommodating a unique range of community activities and groups. These normally include Whalley Elevenses, Toddler Groups – Trinity Tots, Whalley Little Fishes, Waddington Waddlers, Walking Groups and pastoral care in a range of small and large group settings. These activities were obviously affected during the Covid lockdowns, but resumed as soon as regulations allowed.

The Ribble Valley Foodbank has temporarily re-located from the building at Trinity to another location in Clitheroe, while Trinity undergoes building works. The Foodbank intends to move back into the Trinity building when the works are completed. It continues to supply a much - needed service for the area, run by a team of 75 volunteers, supplying c125 three day emergency supplies of food per month. All the churches hold collecting boxes for the Foodbank which are emptied regularly and delivered to the central Foodbank.

Trinity Methodist Church also rent offices to the local Citizens Advice Bureau.

Our churches in Clitheroe, Whalley, Waddington and Chatburn all provide meeting space for local community groups.

All churches hold regular collections for charities both in this country and abroad, and donations are made to a wide variety of appeals.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Clitheroe Methodist	Circuit
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2021

Lancashire	District	Circuit no	21/9
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1133020

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

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(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)

Ministers:

Rev Ian Humphreys
Rev Kathy Flynn

Circuit Stewards:

Roland Hailwood
Wendy Bridgeman
Norman Pedley
Steuart Kellington

Treasurer:

Steuart Kellington

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	£	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share	125,450			125,450	125,450
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	97	16		113	614
a5	Grants					
a6	Other receipts	965		822	1,787	4,206
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	126,512	16	822	127,350 (a8)	130,270

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	81,661			81,661	80,397
b3	Manse Costs	14,465			14,465	15,737
b4	Administration etc	8,566	10		8,576	9,130
b5	District Assessment	22,712	120		22,832	22,694
b6	Grants & donations					115
b7						
b8	Other payments	3,663		1,968	5,631	7,933
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	131,067	130	1,968	133,165 (b9)	136,006

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(4,555)	(114)	(1,146)	(5,815)	(5,736)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	88,290	4,801	20,841	113,932 (c6)	119,668
c3	Sub total	83,735	4,687	19,695	108,117	113,932
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	83,735	4,687	19,695	108,117 (c8)	113,932 (c6)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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				250	
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				200	
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)				50	

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 2021 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						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds					
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	127,350 (a8)	133,165 (b9)	(5,815) (c7)	113,932 (c6)	108,117 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	127,350	133,165	(5,815)	113,932 (x)	108,117 (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 2021

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	6	76
f2	28,204	8,592
f3		
f4	80,921	94,762
f5	4,801	4,687
f6		
f7	113,932 (c6)	108,117 (c8)
f8	(e11)	(e12)
f9	113,932 (x)	108,117 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
g1		
g2	769,561	808,031
g3	18,385	18,956
g4		
g5		

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 2021 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of bookkeeper Tracey Spencer Date 11/11/21

Name and address of bookkeeper TRACEY SPENCER

Tracey Spencer, Brook Farm, Longsight Road, Clayton-le-Dale, BB1 9EX

Signature of treasurer Stewart Harold Kellington Date 1/3/22

Name and address of treasurer STEWART HAROLD KELLINGTON

18, Clarendon Avenue, Clitheroe, Lancs Post Code BB7 1JN

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting Rev Ian Humphreys

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev Ian Humphreys Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Clitheroe Methodist Circuit

Charity Number 1133020

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Clitheroe Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 1 to 3. 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 *A. Jackson*

Name of independent examiner *ANDREW JACKSON*

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner *FCCA*

Name of firm (where appropriate) *EGAN ROBERTS*

Address *SUITE 46 MANOR COURT*

..... *SALISBURY HALL, SALISBURY HALL ROAD* Post Code *PR3 3XR*

Date *15/2/2022* *RECRESTAR*

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Signature of independent examiner *Ad*Name of independent examiner *Andrew Jackson*Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner *FCCA*Name of firm (where appropriate) *SEAN ROBERTS*Address *15 WALKER DRIVE CURRY ELMS*Post Code *B372 9G*Date *15/11*

* delete or circle as appropriate

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