



**Circuit
Accruals Accounts
2021-2022**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
TEMPLATE REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
(ACCRUALS BASIS)**

for the year ended 31 August 2022

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Registered Charity - Registration number

1133693

Yorkshire West

District No / Circuit No 27/18

Ministers

Rev'd A Webb
Rev'd Dr T Darling

Circuit Stewards

Mrs J Jolly
Mrs S Stow
Mrs S Platt

Circuit Treasurer

c/o Circuit Stewards

**SKIPTON AND GRASSINGTON METHODIST CIRCUIT
CONTENTS
YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022**

	Page
Circuit information	1
Membership of the Circuit	2
Annual report of the Circuit	3 - 7
Statement of trustees' responsibilities	8
Statement of financial activities	9
Comparative statement of financial activities	10
Balance sheet	11
Notes to the financial statements	12 - 17
Independent Examiner's report	18
Trustees' Declaration	18
Reserves policy	Appendix 1

**SKIPTON AND GRASSINGTON METHODIST CIRCUIT
CIRCUIT INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022**

Address: St Andrews Church Hall
Newmarket Street
Skipton
North Yorkshire
BD23 2JE

Circuit Superintendent: Rev'd A Webb

Independent Examiner: L R Brain FCA
Brosnans
Birkby House
Birkby Lane
Brighouse
West Yorkshire
HD6 4JJ

Skipton and Grassington Methodist Circuit

Membership of the Circuit Meeting – Mar 2023

The Circuit Ministers:	Rev Andrew Webb Rev Dr Tracey Darling
Supernumerary Ministers:	Rev Peter Bedford, Rev Roger Fox
Supernumerary Deacon:	Deacon Gwynneth Gostling
Circuit Stewards:	Jane Jolly, Susanne Platt, Sharon Stow,
CLT Other	Eileen Lloyd
Circuit Meeting Appointed:	Jean Bedford, David Charlton, Ethel Smith
Circuit Officers:	c/o Circuit Stewards
Circuit Treasurer	Edwin Tate – not a member
Circuit Meeting Secretary	Susanne Platt
Local Preachers' Secretary	Susanne Platt
LWPT Secretary	Bill Haigh
Lay Property Secretary	Jane Jolly
Safeguarding Officer	Jane Jolly, Susanne Platt, Sharon Stow, Sarah Webb
Synod Representatives	Rev Dr Tracey Darling
District Policy Ctte Rep	Rev Andrew Webb
Broughton Road link	Rev Andrew Webb
Chair of Malham Chapel	Rev Dr Tracey Darling
Management Group	Rev Dr Tracey Darling
Local Preacher Representatives (up to 7):	Jane Jolly

Representatives from the Churches:

<u>Church</u>	<u>Steward</u>	<u>Treasurer</u>	<u>Other Representative</u>
St Andrew's	Neil Platt	Martin Bendall	
Trinity	Eileen Lloyd	Val Payne	
Bradley	Pat Hearn	David Stow	Sally Essler
Long Preston		Annette Metcalf	
Grassington	Gwynneth Gostling	Jasmine Bray	Jennifer Millard

Changes since list in Accounts for Year Ended 31 August 2021:

Rev Mollie Greenwood has resigned from Circuit Meeting.
 John Tomlinson has resigned from his roles as a Circuit Steward and District Policy Committee Rep and is no longer a Circuit Meeting member.
 Susanne Platt (already a Circuit Meeting member) has been appointed as a Circuit Steward.
 Eileen Lloyd (already a Circuit Meeting member) has been appointed to Circuit Leadership Team.
 Rev Dr Tracey Darling (already a Circuit Meeting member) has been appointed as District Policy Committee Rep.
 Steve Coombes has resigned from being a Synod Representative and is no longer a Circuit Meeting member.
 Rachel Coombes has resigned from Circuit Meeting and Martin Bendall has been appointed in her place as St Andrew's Treasurer.
 Jim Hope has resigned from Circuit Meeting and Val Payne has been appointed in his place as Trinity's Treasurer.
 Carol Newhouse has resigned from Circuit Meeting following Malham becoming a Class of Bradley, and Sally Essler (already a Circuit Meeting member from Malham) has become a representative for Bradley.
 Gwynneth Gostling (already a Circuit Meeting member) has been appointed as Grassington's Steward.
 Jennifer Millard has been appointed as Grassington's other representative.
 Andrew Armstrong has resigned from Circuit Meeting following the closure of Hetton.
 Glennis Hobbs, Eileen Hope, Denise Lye and Anne Wilks have resigned from Circuit Meeting.



The Methodist Church

2021 – 2022 Annual Report of Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit [27/18]

Administrative Information:

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit is a registered charity (number 1133693) in the Yorkshire West Methodist District.

Correspondence address: The Circuit Administrator (Edwin Tate)
The Circuit Office
St Andrew's Church Hall
Newmarket Street
Skipton
BD23 2JE
Email: circuit@sagm2718.plus.com
Tel: 01756 796584

Managing Trustees: Those named on page 2 as Members of the Circuit Meeting are the Managing Trustees of the Circuit.

Number of Church Members in the Circuit: 169 Methodist/Joint Members + 15 URC totalling 184 (figures as reported for 1st November 2022).

Aims and Organisation:

The new Circuit Mission Statement, as approved by the Circuit Meeting on the 16th March 2022 is:

WORSHIP *'The Church exists to increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love.'*

To have a variety of good quality worship across the circuit both within local churches and also gathered circuit events.

To recognise the need for a balance of worship which includes contemporary worship but also values traditional styles.

To continue the creativity experienced during COVID and value outdoor and online worship and be open to other new ways of worshipping.

To continue to encourage and resource prayer both individually and on gathered occasions.

SERVICE *'The Church exists to be a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice.'*

To encourage individual churches to respond to local needs as well as the wider concerns of the world including the current climate crisis.

To adopt a circuit wide project to enthuse and engage people.

To focus on a circuit wide children's/families/youth strategy and consider what resources we need to invest in this and how we can share ecumenically in what is already taking place.

LEARNING AND CARING *'The Church exists to help people to grow and to learn as Christians, through mutual support and care.'*

To provide care for all age groups across the circuit and provide opportunities for those who are vulnerable to meet and be supported.

To grow disciples and deepen faith using both in person and online study groups and learning opportunities.

To encourage people to respond to their calling and to develop their gifts.

EVANGELISM *'The Church exists to make more followers of Jesus Christ.'*

To make more disciples of Jesus.

To be more creative in how we see church and not be limited by our buildings and traditions.

To build on the connections we already have with those we encounter in our everyday lives.

To be open to new ways of being church.

This Mission Statement should be reviewed at least every three years.

In 2021-22 we sought to put this Mission Statement into practice through:

- a ministerial team of two full-time ministers and a circuit administrator.
- a Leadership Team of three circuit stewards, the ministers, lay worker and two further volunteers who collectively guide the Circuit's life and work
- a team of ministerial and lay officers with specific responsibilities who attend Circuit and, where applicable, District meetings
- a Circuit Property Group who manage the Circuit's properties and gave advice and assistance to churches
- a management group that supports Malham with its mission and outreach
- assistance from the Circuit's supernumerary ministers.

Review of progress and achievements:

In contrast to the previous years' restrictions, acts of worship were able to take place throughout the year in person in our chapels. An online presence was maintained via live streaming of services from St Andrew's, prayer meetings and the popular Daily Reflections, broadcast via YouTube. Ministers and volunteers offered pastoral care in person and by telephone and conducted funerals and other special services to offer support to those who needed it in our communities.

Mission and outreach activities were able to thrive, including the popular wellbeing cafes at St Andrew's and Trinity and sessions at Trinity's allotment. Bradley held regular coffee mornings and Long Preston held Strong and Steady sessions to support the health of older people. Open afternoons and the sensory Garden welcomed people to Malham. Activities for children and families included Messy Church in Skipton and Bradley. Additional events were held across the Circuit to celebrate the Platinum Jubilee, supported by a grant from Yorkshire West District.

The Circuit continued to maintain its properties, reviewing repairs in light of quinquennial inspections, the sale on the Newmarket Street property completed and approvals to lease out the Broughton Road property were secured. The Circuit helped several churches explore ideas for their buildings and was responsible for running the properties received when Embsay Methodist Church closed just before the start of the year. During the year Hetton Methodist Church closed and the Circuit took on the Managing Trusteeship for its property. Circuit Meeting gave permission to sell the Embsay and Hetton properties the different ways of doing this were explored.

Following a day of prayer across the Circuit, churches discussed their reflections about the future and the Circuit published its 'Vision Plan 2021-24' as a basis for taking the Circuit forwards. Being realistic about the challenges, this set out the key priorities to the end of the current stationing term so as to be faithful to God's calling in a way that is responsible and sustainable. These priorities are included below in the section on The Future. As part of this process Malham became a Class of Bradley Methodist Church, and St Andrew's and Trinity agreed to join together as one church, enabling greater support through working together.

Financial Information:

The accounts show that total income for 2021-22 was £219,061 (£433,536 in 2020-21) and total expenditure £222,955 (2020-21 £160,459), with £236 losses on investments (£197 gains in 2020-21) leaving an overall deficit of £4,130 (2020-21 surplus £273,274). However these figures include items beyond the Circuit's regular operation: the transfers in of Hetton's property (£100,000) and finances (£2,770), profit on the Newmarket Street sale (£4,269), income from Embsay's properties while we explore

their future (£8,991) and £300 restricted Malham Garden income. On the expenditure side they include: £9,250 grants and donations; £2,597 Model Trust Fund levy; £57,328 Newmarket Street sale levy; £1,136 Hetton costs; £5,000 Embsay costs and £595 for Malham Garden. Excluding these sums results in a more realistic revenue budget deficit of £44,554 (2020-21 £41,810).

At 31st August 2022, the Circuit's unrestricted cash reserves (ignoring fixed / investment property assets, endowments and restricted funds but including designated funds from Embsay) stood at £336,560 (2021 £236,178). The increase, in spite of the income / expenditure deficit, results from the sale of the Newmarket Street property which was converted into net cash funds (after sale costs and levies) of around £145,000. In future years, sale proceeds will also be anticipated from Embsay and Hetton, though this will take some time owing to the required procedures.

The large revenue deficit, whose causes include chapels closing and congregations reducing, is likely to grow further because of the rapid increase in inflation. The Circuit has become dependent on property sales for funding, and while there is more than enough for the current stationing term that ends in August 2024, the visioning process described below explains how the circuit is exploring its future beyond that point. Through all these challenges, the Circuit is deeply grateful for the faithful giving in its churches. The Circuit also registered with HMRC and claimed gift aid on donations that had been given directly.

During the year the remaining balance of the £25,000 loan to Long Preston was paid off in full which is a significant achievement. £6,698 remains loaned to the Leeds Mission Project, to be repaid by the end of August 2030, or upon request if needed. The Reserves Policy is appended as part of this report.

The Future:

The Circuit Vision Plan 2021-24 outlined the following priorities at the time of writing early in 2021-22:

Within 12-18 months we will: -

- Allow space to be open to what God is doing, to be attentive to how the Holy Spirit is moving and to respond to new ways of being God's people going forward.
- Continue to pray for our circuit and seek God's plans for us.
- Focus our resources in terms of staffing, energy and finances into the areas of circuit life that are mission focussed and contribute positively to the future of the circuit.
- Encourage the ongoing conversations between St Andrew's and Trinity about a closer working relationship and sharing of resources.
- Consider the mission of Malham Methodist church and its future as a circuit project rather than an individual church.
- Consider the best way to support Long Preston in their mission and for them to discern if they are best to remain in our circuit or to look to a future in the Settle Circuit.
- Encourage Grassington and Bradley to continue to focus on their mission in their local communities with the support and encouragement of the wider circuit.
- Challenge all of the churches to consider their buildings in terms of the mission opportunities they offer. To be honest about whether they can sustain these buildings long term. To consider alternative possibilities for their worship and witness.
- Challenge all of the churches to look at what resources and support the circuit can offer to them in their mission and what they can offer to the circuit and to pass on these comments to the Circuit Leadership Team.
- Run an online study/discipleship group for the circuit and consider running a course to explore faith such as Alpha.
- Continue to be open to new and creative ways of worshipping both in person and online.
- Continue to offer Methodist worship in the communities of Kettlewell and Hebden.
- Develop our Children's/Youth and family strategy and the resources we need to implement this.
- Resolve some of the outstanding property issues which will release capital funds for the circuit:-

- Complete the sale of the Newmarket Street property (Formerly Cornerstone Bookshop)
- Find a way forward in determining the best future use of the buildings which were formerly Embsay Methodist Church
- Find a way forward in determining the best future use of the building belonging to Hetton Methodist Church

Within 18 months to 3 years we will: -

- Put in place a plan for future staffing of the circuit, recognising that from 2024 it is unlikely that we will be able to afford two full time ordained ministers. We will pray for both our current ministers that their future and the Circuit's future will become clear whatever God has planned.
- Look at how we can link with neighbouring circuits to offer support and share resources (without necessarily becoming a joint circuit but recognising that this is a possibility).
- Seek to reshape the circuit as we discern the contribution we have to make as Christians living in the Methodist Tradition (and valuing the United Reformed Tradition which is part of our circuit).
- Consider our place within the wider ecumenical picture and where we can share resources across our denominations.
- Aim to build a circuit which has a viable long-term future.

By the time of this Annual Report some 12-18 months later, key points of progress include the relationships between St Andrew's and Trinity, and Bradley and Malham, the Newmarket Street sale, and Long Preston remaining in the Circuit. Some have had to be reconsidered, including recognizing that the Circuit no longer has the preaching resources to take monthly services at Kettlewell.

A great many others are progressing well, but with much further work to be done. These include decisions around the Circuit's staffing provision from September 2024; while this is likely to include a full-time presbyter and a part-time Superintendent the details need to be explored and prayers are needed for God's provision through a time of change. Churches' plans for their buildings, including some potentially major changes, need much time and prayer to explore, and there is a lot of detail to resolve around the sales of Embsay and Hetton.

Risk assessment:

The major risks to which the Circuit is exposed have been reviewed and systems have been developed to mitigate those risks. Procedures are in place to minimise internal risks and these procedures are periodically reviewed to ensure that they still meet the needs of the Circuit.

Trustees' responsibilities:

The trustees have reviewed and accepted the statement of trustees' responsibilities on page 7 of the accounts.

Public benefit:

In deciding what activities the Circuit should undertake, the trustees have paid due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission regarding public benefit and in particular the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

Fundraising:

The Circuit's principal funding comes from the shares given by its churches, supplemented by rental income, grants, interest and some sundries. The Circuit raises only a very small proportion of its income directly from members of the public, for example via the donate options on the Circuit's website. No complaints about the Circuit's fundraising activities have been received.

Approved by the trustees in March 2023

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Statement of trustees' responsibilities

The charity trustees are responsible for preparing a trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (UK GAAP).

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the circuit's financial activities during the year and of its position at the end of the year.

In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;
- make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the circuit will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the circuit and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the circuit and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

On behalf of the association

Rev'd A Webb
Trustee

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	4	115,266	-	-	300	-	115,566
2 Income from monetary investments	6	454	830	204	-	75	1,563
3 Income from investment properties	6	6,297	-	8,787	-	-	15,084
4 Assessments on Churches		83,150	-	-	-	-	83,150
5 Capital receipts from sale of assets		3,369	-	-	-	-	3,369
6 Grants received		-	-	-	-	-	-
7 Other charitable income	5	329	-	-	-	-	329
8 Total income		208,865	830	8,991	300	75	219,061
Expenditure							
9 Grants and donations	14	7,900	1,000	-	-	-	8,900
10 Salaries and associated costs	9	86,734	-	-	4,000	-	90,734
11 Manse maintenance & running costs	11	13,759	-	-	-	-	13,759
11 Investment property maintenance & running costs	12	2,923	-	4,874	-	-	7,797
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy		57,328	2,224	-	-	-	59,552
13 District Assessment & Levy		24,520	-	-	-	-	24,520
14 Depreciation		-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Office expenses	10	2,832	-	-	-	-	2,832
16 Other outgoings	13	12,481	1,603	126	595	56	14,861
17 Total charitable expenditure		208,477	4,827	5,000	4,595	56	222,955
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		-	-	-	-	(236)	(236)
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties		-	-	-	-	-	-
20 Net income/(expenditure)		388	(3,997)	3,991	(4,295)	(217)	(4,130)
21 Transfers between funds		209,589	40,411	(250,000)	-	-	-
22 Other gains/(losses)		-	-	-	-	-	-
23 Net movement in funds		209,977	36,414	(246,009)	(4,295)	(217)	(4,130)
24 Total funds brought forward		952,315	98,847	317,016	289,821	19,481	1,677,480
25 Total funds carried forward		1,162,292	135,261	71,007	285,526	19,264	1,673,350

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2021 (comparative year)

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2020- 21
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income							
1 Donations and legacies	4	15,102	-	317,016	1,722	-	333,840
2 Income from monetary investments	6	234	316	-	-	-	550
3 Income from investment properties	6	7,259	-	-	-	-	7,259
4 Assessments on Churches		91,484	-	-	-	-	91,484
5 Capital Receipts		-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Grants received		-	-	-	-	-	-
7 Other charitable income	5	403	-	-	-	-	403
8 Total income		114,482	316	317,016	1,722	-	433,536
Expenditure							
9 Grants and donations		-	1,000	-	-	-	1,000
10 Salaries and associated costs		83,908	-	-	8,000	-	91,908
11 Property maintenance		25,995	-	-	-	-	25,995
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy		-	-	-	-	-	-
13 District Assessment & Levy		25,864	2,249	-	-	-	28,113
14 Depreciation		-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Office expenses		3,936	-	-	-	-	3,936
16 Other outgoings		6,055	184	-	3,268	-	9,507
17 Total charitable expenditure		145,758	3,433	-	11,268	-	160,459
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		-	-	-	-	197	197
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties		-	-	-	-	-	-
20 Net income/(expenditure)		(31,276)	(3,117)	317,016	(9,546)	197	273,274
21 Transfers between funds		4,997	(6,079)	-	18,590	(17,508)	-
22 Other gains/(losses)		-	-	-	-	-	-
23 Net movement in funds		(26,279)	(9,196)	317,016	9,044	(17,311)	273,274
24 Total funds brought forward		978,594	108,043	-	280,777	36,792	1,404,206
25 Total funds carried forward		952,315	98,847	317,016	289,821	19,481	1,677,480

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

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								GN
Circuit Manses & Equipment	15	557,000		277,771		834,771	834,771	R
Investment properties	16	475,000				475,000	575,000	R
Investments	16				19,245	19,245	19,481	
Total fixed assets		1,032,000	0	277,771	19,245	1,329,016	1,429,252	
Current Assets								
Debtors	17	10,831	0		19	10,850	85,781	S
Loans by the Circuit	17		6,698			6,698	9,698	
Investments with TMCP			128,563	42,320		170,883	89,149	T
Central Finance Board Deposits		135,877				135,877	53,972	
Cash at Bank and in hand		-6,268	28,687	7,755		30,174	21,111	
Total current assets		140,440	135,261	71,007	7,755	354,482	259,711	
Current liabilities								
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	18	10,148				10,148	11,483	U
Grants payable within 2021-22						0	0	V
Total current liabilities		10,148	0	0	0	10,148	11,483	
Net current assets/liabilities		130,292	135,261	71,007	7,755	344,334	248,228	
Total assets less current liabilities		1,162,292	135,261	71,007	285,526	19,264	1,673,350	
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)								
Grants payable after 2021-22						-	-	V
Loans to the Circuit						-	-	
Net assets		1,162,292	135,261	71,007	285,526	19,264	1,673,350	W
Funds of the Circuit								
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,162,292				1,162,292	1,269,331	W
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)			135,261			135,261	98,847	
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)			71,007			71,007		
Total Unrestricted Funds						1,368,560	1,368,178	
Restricted Funds				285,526		285,526	289,821	
Endowment Funds					19,264	19,264	19,481	
Total Funds		1,162,292	135,261	71,007	285,526	1,673,350	1,677,480	

Signed

Circuit Treasurer
Date

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

1. Basis of accounting and accounting policies

i Accounting standard

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with *Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP)* applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective from October 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

ii Public benefit entity

The Circuit is a public benefit entity under the definition in FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy note(s) below.

iii Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities.

iv Content

The financial information presented is relevant, reliable, comparable and complete. Where estimates are used these are based on experience, research and judgement. The accounts are expressed in £Sterling, rounded to the nearest pound.

v Going concern

Based on the monetary assets and human resources available at 31 August 2022, the trustees believe that the Circuit is a going concern.

2. Fixed assets

Tangible fixed assets (excluding investments) are functional assets used for charitable purposes and are stated at cost less accumulated depreciation.

Investment properties

Investment properties are included at market value, estimated by reference to the insurance value where no other valuation is available.

Investments

Investments are included in the Financial Statements at their market value at the balance sheet date and the gain or loss is taken to the Statement of Financial Activities.

Depreciation

Depreciation is calculated so as to write off the cost of assets, over their useful economic life.

Freehold property is not depreciated since the site land values are expected to be greater than the cumulative cost of the properties.

Income

Offers are recorded when they are received or when their receipt is probable and are recorded gross of any tax recoverable. Where the received offers are related to a later period, the amount has been deferred and is included in creditors.

Reprographic and telephone recharge income is accounted for when the invoice has been issued.

Dividends from investments are accounted for when receivable.

Bank interest is accounted for when receivable.

Expenditure

Expenditure is recognised on an accruals basis when a liability is incurred or a constructive obligation arises that results in the payment being probable.

Rentals payable under operating leases are charged against income on a straight line basis over the lease term.

3. Fund accounting

General funds are available for any purpose of the Methodist Circuit.

Designated funds are general funds earmarked by the Circuit's stewards for a particular purpose.

Restricted funds are funds which can only be applied for a particular purpose as specified by the donor.

Endowment fund capital must be maintained, and any income on this capital is unrestricted.

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

	General Fund	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
4. Donations, grants and legacies							
District grants	10,108	-	-	-	-	10,108	7,000
Other grants	-	-	-	-	-	-	6,165
Transfer of Embsay	-	-	-	-	-	-	317,017
Transfer of Hetton	102,759	-	-	-	-	102,759	-
Donations and sundry income	1,254	-	-	-	-	1,254	1,936
Malham garden project	-	-	-	300	-	300	1,722
Malham project grants and donations	1,145	-	-	-	-	1,145	-
Total	115,266	-	-	300	-	115,566	333,840

	General Fund	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
5. Charitable activities - other							
Charitable activities - Reprographics	329	-	-	-	-	329	403
Charitable activities - Circuit services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total	329	-	-	-	-	329	403

	General Fund	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
6. Investment income							
Rental income	6,297	-	8,787	-	-	15,084	7,259
Interest/dividends	454	830	204	-	75	1,563	550
Total	6,751	830	8,991	-	75	16,647	7,809

7. Payment to Trustees	2022 Total	2021 Total
Number of trustees who were paid expenses	9	5

Nature of the expenses

Trustees only received reimbursement for travel and other costs incurred for the Circuit, and small sums for preaching fees.

Total amount paid	7,020	2,310
-------------------	-------	-------

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

8. Fees for examination of the accounts

	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Independent examiner's fees for reporting on the accounts	1,186	1,093
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	-	-

9. Stipends, salaries and other staff costs

	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Staff costs paid during the year were:		
Stipends	54,572	53,938
Ministers' National Insurance & apprentice levy	5,490	5,283
Ministers' superannuation	13,893	13,732
Ministers' expenses	3,888	3,038
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	11,047	14,112
Staff employer's National Insurance costs & apprentice levy	464	1,046
Staff expenses	135	-
Supernumery costs	1,245	689
Local preacher costs	-	70
Total staff costs	90,734	91,908

Average number of staff (including ministers) employed during the year were:	3	4
---	----------	----------

10. Circuit office costs

	General Fund £	Circuit Model Trust Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Telephone	408	-	-	-	408	1,242
Postage and stationery	226	-	-	-	226	417
Computer and internet costs	-	-	-	-	-	424
Photocopying costs	1,707	-	-	-	1,707	1,316
Insurance	287	-	-	-	287	324
Sundry office costs	204	-	-	-	204	213
Total	2,832	-	-	-	2,832	3,936

11. Manse running costs

	General Fund £	Circuit Model Trust Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Council tax	6,379	-	-	-	6,379	6,215
Water rates	937	-	-	-	937	1,039
Telephone	1,234	-	-	-	1,234	-
Insurance	950	-	-	-	950	979
Repairs and maintenance	4,259	-	-	-	4,259	12,994
Total	13,759	-	-	-	13,759	21,227

12. Investment property running costs

	General Fund £	Circuit Model Trust Fund £	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total £	2021 Total £
Rental property repairs and maintenance	923	-	851	-	1,774	1,815
Rental property insurance	673	-	848	-	1,521	190
Rental property utilities and tax	46	-	885	-	931	-
Rental property management costs	1,281	-	1,248	-	2,529	1,804
Rental property legal costs	-	-	1,042	-	1,042	959
Total	2,923	-	4,874	-	7,797	4,768

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

14. Grants and donations paid	General Fund	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022 Total	2021 Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Trinity - Joel	-	1,000	-	-	-	1,000	1,000
District Jubilee	2,900	-	-	-	-	2,900	-
Pension fund donation	5,000	-	-	-	-	5,000	-
Total	7,900	1,000	-	-	-	8,900	1,000

	Residential land £	Other land £	Manse £	Other buildings £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation							
Balance brought forward			557,000	277,771			834,771
Additions							
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
Balance carried forward			557,000	277,771			834,771
Accumulated depreciation							
Balance brought forward							
Depreciation charge for year (-)							
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward							
Net book value							
Brought forward			557,000	277,771			834,771
Carried forward			557,000	277,771			834,771

There are 2 manse owned by the Circuit. The other property is Malham Chapel which has now been refurbished for mission to visitors, worship by local church and community use.

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

16. Investments

The funds that support the Circuit Model Trust Fund and the Manses Fund are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and policy as determined by the Methodist Conference.

Analysis of investment movements

		2022 £	2021 £
Investments held with Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	(see below)	19,245	19,481
Investment properties		475,000	575,000
Total		494,245	594,481

Change in investment values

Carrying (market) value at beginning of year	594,481	361,792
Add: additions to investments at cost	100,000	250,000
Less: disposals at carrying value	(200,000)	(17,508)
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation	(236)	197
Carrying (market) value at end of year	494,245	594,481

Name	Type	Opening value £	Mvmt in value £	Closing market value £
Miss A Tattersall bequest	Trustees interest fund	3,315	-	3,315
Surplus trusts fund	Trustees interest fund	794	-	794
Mr B T Ackroyd gift	Trustees interest fund	2,016	-	2,016
Various gifts	Trustees interest fund	2,250	-	2,250
Various bequests - ex airton	Trustees interest fund	9,021	(1)	9,020
Various bequests - ex airton	CFB mngd fixed interest fund	1,200	(179)	1,021
Janet Richardson Memorial Fund	CFB mngd fixed interest fund	885	(56)	829
		19,481	(236)	19,245

Investment properties

	2022 £	2021 £
Broughton Road	25,000	25,000
20 Sawley Street	100,000	100,000
Embsay Chapel	250,000	250,000
Hetton Chapel	100,000	-
Newmarket Street	-	200,000
Total	475,000	575,000

Broughton Road Community Centre currently have use of the Broughton Road property rent free.

Newmarket Street has been sold since the year end.

Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

Notes to the Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022

17 Debtors and Prepayments	2022	2021
	£	£
Prepayments	10,562	7,507
Accrued Income	269	11,258
Money due from Embsay Chapel	-	67,016
Loan to Leeds City Mission	6,698	6,698
Loan to Long Preston	-	3,000
Total Debtors and Prepayments	17,529	95,479

The Leeds Mission loan is expected to be repaid between 2025 & 2030.

18. Creditors and Accruals	2022	2021
	£	£
Trade Creditors	10,148	11,483
Other Creditors	-	-
Total Current Liabilities	10,148	11,483

19. Future Commitments

£2,000 committed to support Trinity's Community Link Co-ordinator for a further 12 months.

If Malham were to cease community use and be sold, the grant from the Connexional Property Fund (£90,000) would need to be repaid.

20. Analysis of assets by fund	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Designated Funds	Endowment Funds	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets	1,032,000	277,771	-	19,245	1,329,016
Current assets	140,440	135,261	71,007	-	346,708
Current liabilities	(10,148)	-	-	-	(10,148)
	1,162,292	413,032	71,007	19,245	1,665,576

Unrestricted funds

The general fund can be used in any way as long as expenditure falls within the objects of the Circuit.

The Circuit Model Trust Fund (CMTF) is unrestricted and can be used in the same way as the general fund.

Restricted funds

The donations for the Malham fund are to be spent on the Malham Chapel property.

Designated funds

Designated funds are funds set aside for the Embsay property.

Endowment funds

These are small permanent endowment funds held by the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes and from which income received is expendable for any appropriate Circuit purposes.

Fund analysis

	Balance Brought Forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Balance Carried Forward
	£	£	£	£	£
Unrestricted funds:					
General fund	952,315	208,865	(208,477)	209,589	1,162,292
CMTF fund	98,847	830	(4,827)	40,411	135,261
Embsay funds	317,016	8,991	(5,000)	(250,000)	71,007
Restricted funds:					
Malham fund	277,771	-	-	-	277,771
Malham garden fund	1,460	300	(595)	-	1,165
Long Preston fund	10,590	-	(4,000)	-	6,590
Endowment funds	19,481	75	(292)	-	19,264
	1,677,480	219,061	(223,192)	-	1,673,350

**Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit
DECLARATIONS**

Treasurer

I confirm that these accrual based accounts for the year ended 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

Name of Treasurer

Address

Presentation to the Circuit Meeting for approval.

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were presented to the Circuit Meeting at its meeting on

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting

Date

Independent Examiner's Report on the accounts of the Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit

I report to the trustees on my examination of the Skipton & Grassington Methodist Circuit accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the trustees of the Charity 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 Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 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.

Independent examiner's statement

Since the Charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the 2011 Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales, which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the
2. the accounts do not accord with those records.
3. 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.

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.

L R Brain FCA

Brosnans Chartered Accountants
Birkby House
Birkby Lane
Brighouse
West Yorkshire
HD6 4JJ

Dated:

RESERVES POLICY of

Skipton and Grassington Circuit Meeting

1. General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2022	£336,560	(1,368,560 less 1,032,000 property)
2. Restricted Funds held “	£7,755	(285,526 less 277,771 property)
3. Endowment Funds held “	£19,264	

4. **Reserves policy for General Funds**

Of the £336,560 General Funds (non-property) £71,007 were designated separately while the Circuit decided how they should be applied, having been received from Embsay Methodist Church at its closure.

From the remaining £265,553 the following commitments were agreed:

£73,618 to provide 6 months' running costs to mitigate unexpected shortfalls in income, emergencies and cash flow variations.

£116,178 Circuit Mission Fund to support the budgeted deficit to the end of August 2024, to cover the 5-year appointments of our current ministers

£20,000 Manse Fund for maintenance and repair

£42,825 Church Mission and Property Fund, to allow for grants for church repairs

£2,000 for Trinity's Community Link Co-ordinator

£8,082 towards Model Trust Fund levy, which contributes to the wider mission of the Methodist Church

£2,850 for Broughton Road Community Centre

5. **Policy for Restricted Funds**

£6,590 are the remaining funds released from the Circuit's TMCP endowment to support the minister and worship at Long Preston. Currently £4,000 of these will be applied each year by the Circuit towards provision of the minister, in place of Long Preston's Circuit Share.

£1,165 are funds donated for Malham Chapel's sensory garden.

6. **Terms relating to Endowment Funds held**

The endowment funds are held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes. Income from them is low and the Circuit will continue to seek, where permitted, to access the capital to better fulfil the Trusts' purposes and support the life and mission of the Circuit.

This Reserves Policy has been approved by

Skipton and Grassington Circuit Meeting

Treasurer	Trustee
Full name	Full Name
Signature	Signature