

PENRITH METHODIST CIRCUIT

Registered Charity No. 1133928

The Charity was first registered on 1 February 2010 (previously Excepted Registration)

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT & FINANCIAL ACCOUNTS

For the year ended 31 August 2021

Legal and Administrative Information:

Communication Address **Wordsworth Street Penrith Cumbria CA11 7QY**

Ministers **Rev David Milner (Co-Superintendent)**
Rev Tim Cooke (Co-Superintendent)

Circuit Stewards **Mrs Gillian Williams**
Mr Keith Jones
Mrs Sheila Mallinson

Circuit Treasurer **Mr Malcolm Teed**

Circuit Secretary **Mrs Gillian Williams**

Circuit Administration Manager **Mrs Michelle Rudhall**

Independent Examiner **Mrs Judith Heeley**

Bankers **1) Barclays Bank Market Square Penrith CA11 7SN**
2) Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church (CFB)
3) Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP)

Introduction

The following pages are designed to give the reader an overview of the purposes of the Charity, of how it conducts itself, of those who were involved in the Charity and draws attention to what has occurred during the past year. These pages are an introduction to and should be read in conjunction with the detailed financial reports contained later on in the document.

Aims and Objectives

The primary aim and objective of the Charity is to act as a resource provider for The Methodist Church within the area around Penrith. Our Mission Statement is: 'Working in partnership to encourage and enable God's people to discover God's presence as we grow daily in our faith, building God's kingdom and sharing God's love in practical ways'.

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Date of Union the advancement of:

- a) The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church;
- b) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit local or other Organisation of The Methodist Church;
- c) Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or Institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church;
- d) Any purpose for the time being of any Charity subsidiary or ancillary to the The Methodist Church.

The Objectives are carried out through the following activities:

- 'Provide leadership ministry and support to the five Churches which make up the Penrith Circuit enabling them to fulfil their purpose within their local community and beyond.
- The organisation and resourcing of regular public acts of worship open to members of the Church or non-members alike.
- The resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved.
- Taking religious assemblies in local schools.
- Promotion of Christianity by both leading and supporting local initiatives, events and services.

Accounting Standard

The Charity's annual report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared in accordance with the Charities Act 2011 and the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice 2015 as applicable to the Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS102).

Public Benefit

In carrying out all its activities, the Trustees of the Charity had due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the Circuit is the Deed of Union (1932) and the Methodist Church Act (1976).

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of The Methodist Church by order of the annual conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the Circuit is undertaken by the Circuit Leadership Team which includes the Treasurer and Property Steward, along with the Local Preachers meeting.

The Circuit is part of the Cumbria District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The following Methodist Churches make up the Penrith Circuit: the Cottage Wood Centre, Penrith, Skelton and Stainton together with St Patricks Patterdale which is a Local Ecumenical Partnership with the Church of England.

Consolidation

The Circuit has denominational regulatory oversight in respect the Churches within the Circuit but has no legal or operational control of those Churches and their governing bodies except in extreme circumstances. For this reason, the financial statements of Churches within the Circuit are not consolidated into these financial statements.

Financial Review

Circuit income totalled £447,029 which includes an exceptional item of £207,398 which represents the sale of a property by Penrith Methodist Church (PMC) less an amount retained by the Methodist Church centrally. Under Methodist rules this amount is paid into the Circuit Model Trust Fund but is restricted for the sole use of PMC. A further £65,000 reflects the financial asset value of Sleagill Chapel closed in the last year which reverts to the Circuit pending sale. The remaining income of £174,631 is primarily drawn from the Assessment paid by Circuit churches (£128,145) together with the reimbursement of expenditure for shared resources.

Included in the reimbursement for shared resources is £10,096 reimbursed by a neighbouring Circuit necessary as a consequence of ill health and this has been redistributed to our Churches to support ongoing ministry.

Expenditure totalled £170,658 of which £142,819 arises from the cost of Ministry within the Circuit and £27,839 was sent to the Methodist Cumbria District and the Connexion to support their wider Ministry.

Fund Balances

As at 31 August 2021 the Circuit held net current assets of £312,750 of which £106,297 is unrestricted. Of the £254,919 held in the Model Trust Fund £206,378 is restricted for the sole use of Penrith Methodist Church. All expenditure from the Model Trust Fund held by the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes requires the specific authorisation of the Circuit (Trustees) meeting.

Circuit Financial Plans for 2021/22

The Penrith Circuit has entered a covenanted agreement with the Kirkoswald & Alston Moor Circuit to share staff resources which will reduce the net expenditure of the Circuit. Based on the monetary assets and human resources available as at 31 August 2021 the Trustees believe these are sufficient to meet plans for 2021/22 and as such the Circuit is regarded as a going concern.

Risk Management

Risks identified are reviewed by the Circuit Leadership Team and brought to the attention of the quarterly meeting of Trustees with appropriate action taken.

Income and expenditure are monitored and compared with the annual budget monthly as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on Reserves.

Particular attention is being paid to the consequences of the CoVid pandemic and decisions taken at the Methodist Conference, on the Churches for which the Circuit has responsibility. This being in terms of compliance, the impact on Church activities, financial stability and on the membership.

Reserves Policy

Income is received quarterly whilst most the expenditure occurs on a monthly basis and as a result available funds fall to approximately £94,000 in a normal quarterly cycle. Having taken this into consideration the Reserve policy of the Circuit is to retain a sum equivalent to 6 months average expenditure from unrestricted Reserves with £10,000 nominally allocated for medium-term repairs and renewals of the Manses. This should enable the Circuit to meet any unforeseen item of major expenditure and enable it to continue funding the work of the Circuit in the short term if the Churches making up the Circuit were unable to meet their full annual contribution known as their Assessment. Six months budgeted expenditure for 2021/22 is £80,438.

Safeguarding Policy

Every person has a value and dignity which comes directly from the creation of male and female in God's own image and likeness. Christians see this potential as fulfilled by God's re-creation of us in Christ. Among other things this implies a duty to value all people as bearing the image of God and therefore to protect

The Circuit has adopted the Methodist Connexional Safeguarding Policy, and commits to ensure its implementation, together with relevant government legislation, guidance, and safe practice, in the Circuit and in our Churches.

The Circuit has a Safeguarding Officer who is also a Trustee and provides support, advice, and training for lay and ordained people designed to ensure that people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable. Appropriate records are in place and kept up to date.

Trustees and Trustee Training

The members of the Penrith Circuit Meeting are the Charity Trustees. These include the Circuit Ministers Supernumerary Ministers, Circuit office holders and representatives appointed by the Churches which make up the Circuit.

There is a range of training and guidance material provided by the Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Circuit.

A general training course has been provided in the past and a copy of the "The role of a Trustee in the Methodist Church" and the "Charity Trustee Welcome Pack" published by the Charities Commission is brought to the attention of, and made available to, all Trustees.

Responsibilities of the Managing Trustees

Penrith Methodist Circuit is held on the Model Trust Deed of the Methodist Church and therefore the custodian Trustees of the Circuit are the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes. Under the Methodist Church Act 1976 the members of the Circuit Meeting serve as Managing Trustees and as such fulfil the obligations laid upon them by Charity law. This requires the managing Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year that give a true and fair view of the financial state of affairs of the Circuit including any surpluses and balance carried forward into a new financial year.

In preparing these financial statements the Managing Trustees are required to adopt appropriate accounting policies as described in the Notes to the Accounts, and apply them consistently, observe the methods and principles in the Charities SORP, making judgements and estimates that are both prudent and reasonable. The Management Trustees must also prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Circuit will continue to operate.

The Managing Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that at any time disclose with reasonable accuracy the financial position of the Circuit. Such records must enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the Church (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. The Managing Trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the Circuit and hence taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Trustees in office as at 31 August 2021

Rev Gillian Belford
Mr David Belford
Mrs Alison Birkett
Mrs Helen Brunskill
Rev Michael Cannon
Rev John Carr
Rev Timothy Cooke
Mrs Tracey Cooke
Mrs Patricia Coop
Mrs Joyce Cordingly
Mrs Kathryn Davidson
Mr Fraser Dickinson
Mrs Sylvia Dufton
Mr Alan Fox
Mrs Valerie Fox

Rev Alan Gawthrop
Mr Lloyd Graham
Mrs Jane Hutchinson
Mr Keith Jones
Mrs Sheila Mallinson
Mrs Anna Matthews
Rev David Milner
Mrs Lois Morton
Mrs Jean Parker
Mr David Selby
Mr Jordan Summers
Mr Malcolm Teed
Mr Duncan Watson
Mrs Gillian Williams
Mr Stephen Williams
Miss Kathleen Williamson

Signed:



Rev Tim Cooke

Dated:

23/3/22

Superintendent Minister

Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to Charities preparing their Accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) effective from 1 January 2015 – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

2. Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are unrestricted. Designated Funds designated for use in a particular way and Restricted Funds which are held for a narrower specific purpose. Details of each material fund are disclosed in Note 20. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3. Accounting Policies

Basis

They have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that Investments are shown at their current market value at the end of the year where applicable, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities

These Accounts represents a transitional year from Receipts & Payments to Accrual Accounting as required by the Charity reporting thresholds so please see the Note below with regard to Tangible Fixed Assets.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Circuit becomes entitled to the resources, and the Trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal constructive obligation committing the Circuit to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Circuit from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Circuit accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make payment. When the Grant is recurrent over more than one year the balance payable in future years is treated as a provision for future commitments in the Balance Sheet made against the appropriate Fund, the provision being released in future years as instalments are paid in accordance with the terms originally agreed.

VAT

Since the Circuit is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

Tangible Fixed Assets used by the Circuit

These Accounts represents a transitional year from Receipts & Payments to Accrual Accounting as required by the Charity reporting thresholds. Under FRS102 Deemed Cost option at the point of transition Property is represented by its Building Insurance value.

Any other tangible Fixed Assets would be capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000. However the Circuit own any such Assets.

Investment Properties

No property is currently deemed to not be held for the long term purposes of the Charity

Investments

Investments are valued in the Balance Sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the Accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year-end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

Creditors

Creditors are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance Sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated readily.

Cash at Bank and in hand

Cash at Bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition.

Accounting Estimates

The preparation of these financial statements requires judgements, estimates and assumptions that affect the application of policies and reported amounts of Assets and Liabilities, income and expenses. Judgements and estimates are continually evaluated and are based on historical experiences and other factors, including expectations of future events that are believed to be reasonable under the circumstances.

Pensions

The Charity provides lay employees with option of joining a defined contribution pension scheme which the Circuit has arranged with the Pensions Trust. Whether or not employees take up this option the Circuit meets the statutory requirements of "auto-enrolment". All annual contributions payable are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities.

Most ordained Presbyters and Deacons are members of the Methodist Ministers' Pension Scheme (MMPS). This is a defined benefit Scheme. The Supreme Court held in 2014 that Methodist Ministers (which includes Presbyters and Deacons are not employees of the Church (Circuit).

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

	Notes	Unrestricted Funds			Restricted & Endowment Funds		Totals 2020/21	Totals 2019/20
		General	Circuit Model Trust	Designated	Restricted	Endowment		
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets								
Circuit Manses & Equipment	13	1,001,527					1,001,527	1,001,527
Investment properties	13	65,000					65,000	
Investments							0	
Total fixed assets		1,066,527	0	0	0	0	1,066,527	1,001,527
Current Assets								
Debtors	14	13,265					13,265	13,213
Loans by the Circuit							0	
Investments with TMCP	15		48,541		206,378		254,919	50,634
Central Finance Board Deposits		51,231		10,000			61,231	63,490
Cash at Bank and in hand		8,536			75		8,611	6,808
Total current assets		73,032	48,541	10,000	206,453	0	338,026	134,145
Current liabilities								
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	16	25,276					25,276	32,766
Grants payable within 2018-19							0	
Total current liabilities		25,276	0	0	0	0	25,276	32,766
Net current assets/liabilities		47,756	48,541	10,000	206,453	0	312,750	101,379
Total assets less current liabilities		1,114,283	48,541	10,000	206,453	0	1,379,277	1,102,906
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)								
Grants payable after 2018-19							0	
Loans to the Circuit							0	
Net assets		1,114,283	48,541	10,000	206,453	0	1,379,277	1,102,906
Funds of the Circuit								
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,114,283					1,114,283	1,042,272
Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)			48,541				48,541	50,634
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)				10,000			10,000	10,000
Total Unrestricted Funds							1,172,824	1,102,906
Restricted Funds					206,453		206,453	
Endowment Funds						0	0	
Total Funds	16	1,114,283	48,541	10,000	206,453	0	1,379,277	1,102,906

Signed

Superintendent Minister

Rev Tim Cooke

Circuit Treasurer

Malcolm Teed

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

	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							0
2 Income from monetary investments	4	77	286				363
3 Income from investment properties							0
4 Assessments on Churches		128,145					128,145
5 Capital Receipts	5		65,000		207,398		272,398
6 Grants received	6						0
7 Other charitable income	7	46,048			75		46,123
8 Total income		174,270	65,286	-	207,473	-	447,029
Expenditure							
9 Grants and donations	8						0
10 Salaries and associated costs	9	111,238					111,238
11 Property maintenance	10	10,775					10,775
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy			1,266				1,266
13 District Assessment & Levy		25,560	1,013				26,573
14 Depreciation							0
15 Office expenses	11	3,568					3,568
16 Other outgoings	12	16,117	101		1,020		17,238
17 Total charitable expenditure		167,258	2,380	0	1,020	0	170,658
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments							0
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties							
20 Net income/(expenditure)		7,012	62,906	0	206,453	0	276,371
21 Transfers between funds							0
22 Other gains/(losses)							
23 Net movement in funds		7,012	62,906	0	206,453	0	276,371
24 Total funds brought forward		1,042,272	50,634	10,000	-		1,102,906
25 Total funds carried forward		1,049,284	113,540	10,000	206,453	-	1,379,277

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2020

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2019-20
		£	£	£	£	£	£
Income							
1 Donations and legacies							0
2 Income from monetary investments	4	350	436				786
3 Income from investment properties							0
4 Assessments on Churches		135,178					135,178
5 Capital Receipts	5						0
6 Grants received	6				9,500		9,500
7 Other charitable income	7	30,320			75		30,395
8 Total income		165,848	436	-	9,575	-	175,859

Expenditure

9 Grants and donations	8	650			9,575		10,225
10 Salaries and associated costs	9	108,776					108,776
11 Property maintenance	10	9,989					9,989
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy			1,317				1,317
13 District Assessment & Levy		24,904	1,054				25,958
14 Depreciation							0
15 Office expenses	11	6,781					6,781
16 Other outgoings	12	4,010	106				4,116
17 Total charitable expenditure		155,110	2,477	0	9,575	0	167,162
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments							0
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties							
20 Net income/(expenditure)		10,738	-2,041	0	0	0	8,697
21 Transfers between funds							0
22 Other gains/(losses)							
23 Net movement in funds		10,738	-2,041	0	0	0	8,697
24 Total funds brought forward		1,031,534	52,675	10,000	-	-	1,094,209
25 Total funds carried forward		1,042,272	50,634	10,000	-	-	1,102,906

Note 4 Income from Monetary Investments

	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Central Finance Board	77				77	350
TMCP		286			286	436
Total	77	286	0	0	363	786

Note 5 Capital Receipts

	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Fund Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 2021 Total	2020 2020 Total
Bridge - Penrith sale				207,398		
Sleagill -closed chapel		65000				
Total	0	65,000	0	207,398	272,398	0

The Bridge was sold by Penrith Methodist Church but in accordance with Methodist Church rules the proceeds are paid to the Penrith Circuit pending reinvestment. By a Resolution of the Circuit Meeting these funds have been ring-fenced for the sole use of Penrith Methodist Church.

Note 6 Grants Received

	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Connexional Grant to support Eden Debt Centre via Penrith Church					0 0 0	9,500
Total	0	0	0	0	0	9,500

Note 7 Other Chaitable Income

The Circuit shares Office staff and resources with Penrith Methodist Church who reimburse the Circuit with a proportion of the costs. The Circuit also provides Payroll support to Stainton Church for their Outreach worker and Stainton reimburses the Circuit. One Minister shared his time with the Kirkoswald & Alston Moor Circuit (KOAM) which reimbursed Penrith Circuit. Income was received under the government Job Retention Scheme on behalf of Penrith and Stainton Churches.

	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Reimbursed Admin costs	26,421				26,421	21,613
Reimbursed Outreach worker	5,502				5,502	5,503
From KOAM Circuit	10,096				10,096	5,503
Job Retention Scheme	3,031				3,031	3,164
Methodist Connexion				75	75	75
Sleagill contents sale	559				559	75
Miscellaneous	439				439	40
Total	46,048	0	0	75	46,123	30,395

Note 8 Grants and Donations

	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Connexion - Eden Debt Centre					0	9,500
Methodist Argentina Fund					0	350
Connexional Funds					0	375
Total	0	0	0	0	0	10,225

Note 9 Salaries and associated costs

Ministers are not directly employed but their costs are met in full by the Circuit

Ministers	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Stipends	53,600				53,600	52,189
Computers for Ministry	338				338	330
National Insurance	5,014				5,014	4,852
Pension Fund Contribution	13,732				13,732	13,370
Apprenticeship Levy	270				270	263
Travel	818				818	2,806
Telephone & Broadband	1,127				1,127	1,300
Total	74,899	0	0	0	74,899	75,110

Lay Employees	General Fund Unrestricted	Model Trust Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2021 Total	2020 Total
Salaries	32,001				32,001	29,875
National Insurance	1,878				1,878	1,608
Pension Fund Contribution	2,300				2,300	2,034
Apprenticeship Levy	160				160	148
Total	36,339	0	0	0	36,339	33,665

Total

Salaries and associated costs	111,238	0	0	0	111,238	108,776
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No employee was remunerated over £60,000 in 2021 or 2020

Number of Staff Employed	2021	
	People	FTE
Direct Employees	2	1.2
Ministers - see comment	2	2.0
Other	2	1.3
Total	6	4.5

2020	
People	FTE
2	1.2
2	2.0
2	1.3
6	4.5

Note 10 Property Maintenance

	General Fund	Model Trust			2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Ministers Council tax	5,387				5,387	5,198
Water	1,121				1,121	1,012
Service Contracts	1,065				1,065	1,062
Insurance	2,025				2,025	1,344
Repairs & Renewals	227				227	873
Quinquennial Reviews	950				950	500
Total	10,775	0	0	0	10,775	9,989

Note 11 Office Expenses

	General Fund	Model Trust			2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Telephone & Broadband	1,365				1,365	1,564
Advertising	140				140	747
Administration	1,723				1,723	1,860
Circuit Magazine	0				0	795
CCLI Copyright Licences	0				0	1,515
Training	340				340	300
Total	3,568	0	0	0	3,568	6,781

Note 12 Other Outgoings

	General Fund	Model Trust			2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Supernumery ministers & Lay Preachers Travel	204				204	846
Church Assessments returned	11,945				11,945	0
Job Retention Scheme - Penrith & Stalnton Churches	3,031				3,031	3,164
Mission Communities	400				400	0
Reimburse Bridge legal fees				1,020	1,020	0
Miscellaneous	537	101			638	106
Total	16,117	101	0	1,020	17,238	4,116

Note 13 Fixed Assets

Balances	Manse	Other non investment land & buildings	Other Fixed Assets	Fixtures fittings & Equipment	Total
1 Lamley Gardens	391,654				391,654
44 White Ox Way	350,856				350,856
12 Wordsworth St *		259,017			259,017
Balance carried forward	742,510	259,017	0	0	1,001,527
Additions (+/-)					0
Closed Sleagill chapel			65,000		65,000
Revaluations (+/-)					0
Disposals (-)					0
Transfers (+/-)					0
Balance carried forward	742,510	259,017	65,000	0	1,066,527

This is a transitional year from Receipts & Payments to Accrual Accounting as required by the Charity reporting thresholds. Under FRS102 Deemed Cost option at the point of transition Property is represented by its Building Insurance value.

* The insurance valuation for 12 Wordsworth St is considered to be substantially overstated because some years ago the property was split and half sold whereas the whole property has continued to be insured. Using the knowledge gained from the sale of a neighbouring property this year the Trustees have felt justified, based on this local knowledge of the market to correct this anomaly by reducing the value by £100,000 pending a formal review.

Any other tangible Fixed Assets would be capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.

No depreciation has been charged on freehold property in these financial statements as the Trustees are of the opinion that the current value is in excess of the cost.

Note 14 Debtors and Prepayments

Prepayments	General Fund	Model Trust	Designated	Restricted	2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted			Total	Total
District Assessment	5,946				5,946	6,390
Ministers Stipend	6,284				6,284	6,026
Insurance Premium	1,035				1,035	797
	13,265	0	0	0	13,265	13,213

Note 15 Investments with TMCP

These funds are held by the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP) attracting interest on a monthly basis.

During the year a property was sold by Penrith Methodist Church and in accordance with Methodist Church rules the proceeds after deduction of a Connexional levy are credited to the Circuit Model Trust Fund.

Agreement has been gained to ring- fence these monies for the sole use of Penrith Methodist Church. The sum involved is £207,398 of which £1,020 has been withdrawn to meet certain sale fees.

The ring-fenced funds have been placed in a separate account with TMCP

	General Fund	Model Trust Fund			2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
brought forward	0	50,635			50,635	52,675
		286			286	436
additions				207,398	207,398	
Sub Total	0	50,921	0	207,398	258,319	53,111
less disposals/costs						
Connexional Levy		1,266			1,266	1,317
District Levy		1,013			1,013	1,054
Reimburse Bridge Legal Fees				1,020	1,020	0
Management Charge		101			101	106
Total	0	48,541	0	206,378	254,919	50,634

Note 16 Creditors (due in under 1 year)

	General Fund	Model Trust			2021	2020
	Unrestricted	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
Prepaid Quarterly						
Church Assessments	25,276	0	0	0	25,276	32,766

Note 17 Fees for the examination or audit of Accounts

2020/21	2019/20
Nil	Nil

Note 18 Trustees Remuneration and expenses

In accordance with normal practice Rev D Milner and Rev Tim cooke, who are both Trustees of the Charity were paid a stipend for the year. The total cost to the Charity of these Stipends plus National Insurance, Pension contributions and Apprenticeship Levy was £72,954 (2020 - £71,004) Note 8 refers.

During the year expenses of £1,598 were reimbursed to 8 Trustees for Travel and other costs incurred by them. (2020 - £4,253 to 8 Trustees. In both years the CoVid pandemic lockdown restricted activity and therefore expenses

Note 19 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

As at 31st August 2021 the Circuit has no capital commitments

Contingent liabilities - The Circuit Pension Scheme is with The Pensions Trust who advise that currently there would be an Employer Debt on Withdrawal which was £10,728.51 as at 30 September 2020

Note 20 Detailed Analysis of Individual Fund Movements

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General	1,052,272	174,270	167,258			1,059,284
Model Trust Fund	50,634	65,286	2,380			113,540
Totals	1,102,906	239,556	169,638	0	0	1,172,824

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General	0	75				75
Model Trust Fund	0	207,398	1,020			206,378
Totals	0	207,473	1,020	0	0	206,453

Note 21 Analysis of Net Assets (between restricted and Unrestricted Funds)

	Tangible Fixed Assets	Investments	Other Net Assets	Total
Unrestricted	1,066,527	48,541	47,756	1,162,824
Designated			10,000	10,000
Restricted		206,378	75	206,453
Endowment	0			0
Total	1,066,527	254,919	57,831	1,379,277

Name of Circuit PENRITH No. 09/09

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these accruals-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 treasurer M A Teed Date 28/10/2021

Name and address of treasurer MALCOLM ANDREW TEED
33 KEND CLOSE STANTON PENRITH CUMBRIA Post Code CA11 0ES

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 23/3/22.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting [Signature]

Name of the Chair of the meeting Rev. Tim Cooke Date 23/3/22

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

PENRITH METHODIST Circuit

Charity Number 1133928

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the PENRITH METHODIST Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 6 to 15. 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 Circuit PENRITH No 09/09

Independent Examiner's Statement

[The Circuit's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of (*insert name of applicable listed body*)]. *Delete [] if not applicable.*
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I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination *Delete if not applicable ie all R&P accounts*
- the trustees' annual report is not consistent with the accounts *Delete if not applicable ie all R&P accounts.*

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

I ~~have~~/have not* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signature of independent examiner *J. Kelly*

Name of independent examiner J. Kelly

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner C.F.A.

Name of firm (where appropriate) —

Address CHURCH HOUSE NANTON REKIN

PENRITH CUMBRIA Post Code LA 11 0AY

Date 08/10/21

* delete or circle as appropriate

September 2021