

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales · Charity number 1134109

Details

Other names THE METHODIST CHURCH AND CENTRE

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2010-02-05

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

Contact

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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: Provision of regular acts of worship which are open to all.Provision of sacred space for prayer and contemplation.Provision of clubs and activities for parents and toddlers, children age 5-11, young people and adults, open to all. Provision of social activities which are available to all people, including healthy meals.Provision of space and facilities for a range of community activities,

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Services, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** The Prevention Or Relief Of Poverty, Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£132,362	£132,408	-	-
2023-08-31	£120,744	£141,332	-	-
2022-08-31	£81,185	£85,193	-	-
2021-08-31	£84,083	£76,229	-	-
2020-08-31	£77,168	£79,632	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev stuart WILD	Chair	2024-01-01
ALISON VERA DOW RGN		2015-05-01
ANITA HEATHER BULLOCK		2018-06-01
Andrew Woodward		2025-10-06
BARBARA MIDDLETON KNOWLES		
BENJAMIN DARBYSHIRE		2018-06-01
Caroline Livesey		2020-05-01
Catherine Irving		2021-07-01
DILYS JOAN CURRIE		
DR JONATHAN PETER IRVING		
Elaine Westmacott-Sturdy		2018-06-28
Isaac Moore		2026-02-23
JANETTE ANN FARLEY		2018-06-01
JONATHAN PETER LIVESEY		2014-09-01
Judith Patricia Smith		2019-05-01
KATHARINE DAVIES		2024-01-01
Lesley Turner		2021-09-01
MONICA BISSETT		
ROSEMARY OWEN WELLS		
Rebekah Derbyshire		2018-06-28
William Frank Ellison		2020-05-01
laura Moore		2026-02-23

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Church Road Methodist Church

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2024

Blackpool and South Fylde Circuit	Circuit	Circuit no.	21/14
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1134109

If not a registered charity **His 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)

Minister:

Revd Stuart Wild/ Revd Andy Halstead

Church Stewards:

Janette Farley

Bill Ellison

Catherine Irvine

Ben Derbyshire

Janet Fielding

Treasurer:

Katharine Davies

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		46,461	125	46,586	66,381
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		3,236		3,236	2,100
a4	Lettings		16,812		16,812	3,605
a5	Other receipts		20,626	45,102	65,728	48,658
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		87,135	45,227	132,362 (a7)	120,744

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		48,780		48,780	39,024
b3	Donations		2,689	100	2,789	245
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		3,760		3,760	21,377
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		21,473		21,473	39,184
b6						
b7	Other payments		23,977	31,630	55,607	41,502
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		100,679	31,730	132,409 (b9)	141,332

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(13,544)	13,497	(47)	(20,588)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		56,459	33,440	89,899 (c6)	110,237
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	42,915	46,937	89,852	89,649
c4	Transfers and adjustments				1,000 (c7)	250
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	42,915	46,937	90,852 (c8)	89,899 (c6)

SECTION D				
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS				
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		1,350	316
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		894	1,434
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		2,689	400
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	(445)	1,350

SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

SECTION E

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church 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 income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, 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 District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS		Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1	Movement to Music	2,308	2,300	8	23	6	38
e2	Flower Fund	505	808	(303)		722	419
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	2,813	3,108	(295)	23	728 (e11)	456 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	132,362 (a7)	132,409 (b9)	(47)	(c7)	89,899 (c6)	89,852 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	135,175	135,517	(342)	23	90,627 (x)	90,308 (y)
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

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

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	29749	61,805
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	1683	982
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	58467	28,413
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	89,899 (c6)	91,200 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	728 (e11)	456 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	90,627 (x)	91,656 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

3. Analysis of restricted funds

Restricted Fund Name	ADJUST	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended
	ED Opening Balance (see Note 1)		
	£	£	£
Wesley Café and Pantry	25,815	45,102	31,630
Benevolent Fund	908	125	100
Youth Work Fund	6,156		
<i>Total (excl. internal organisations)</i>	<u>32,879</u>	<u>45,227</u>	<u>31,730</u>
Internal Organisations	728	2,836	(3,108)
Totals	24,917	0	43,163
			(33,875)

Closing Balance	Purpose of the Fund
£	
39,287	Providing meals and food to the local community.
933	Support for world-wide diasters and individuals in
	Funding for youth work.
<u>40,220</u>	
456	Flower Fund; Movement to Music
<u>34,168</u>	Rounding error

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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 Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurerKatharine Davies

Date... March 15 2024

Name and address of treasurer Katharine Davies (temporary acting treasurer).....

..... Post Code.....

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Church Road Methodist Church

Charity Number 1134109

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Church Road Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages ... to As the Church'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 Church'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 ChurchChurch Road Methodist Church ... No ...1134109...

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 *David Yaxley*

Name of independent examiner David Yaxley

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address

..... Post Code

Date

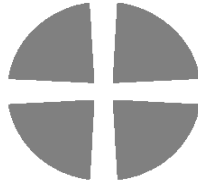
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Form Reviewed Aug-24

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1134109

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THE METHODIST CHURCH
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
(RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS BASIS)
for the year ended 31 August 2023

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST

Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1134109

Circuit No	21/14
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Minister

Rev Louise Makin

Church Stewards

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Catherine Irving

William Ellison

Church Treasurer

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CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

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Welcome to the 13th Trustees' Annual Report of Church Road Methodist Church which covers the year to 31st August 2023, a year in which Church activity and attendance has begun to move towards pre Covid levels

We are a Church with a renewed vision that is working and we are optimistic about the future, after exploiting opportunities to expand the use of the premises for community projects and progress with the Wesley Cafe and Wesley Larder community projects.

organisation

At Church Road we have adopted the strategic aim of making disciples and transforming lives and communities with the priority to become a sustainable Church by:

- a) Reversing the trend of declining congregations experienced in recent years and developing growth in membership and numbers attending worship through relevant worship and pastoral support to all.
- b) Developing Community Ministry that combines the transforming love of God with the needs of our community, working within and without the building, while maintaining a high level of work with families and young people with a focus on faith development as well as social interaction.
- c) Developing a high quality, sustainable and comfortable suite of premises which will meet current and anticipated needs of the Church in fulfilling its mission and ministry for the next chapter of its life.
- d) Increasing the profile of the Church and developing good working relationships with individuals, agencies and authorities who share our aim.

the year 2022/23.

The pastoral ministry and worship has been continued in person. The church has been fully open for worship and the provision of food through the Wesley's Larder and cafe have been extended. Community use of the premises is gradually increasing.

Income trends

Total income for the year to 31st August 2023 was £120,744, compared to £81,185 reported for the previous year. An increase of 48% year on year (£39,559). This is largely due to a gift aid payment received in the year of £26,522 and an increase in Wesley's cafe donations and grants by £21,011 (2023 total Wesley's cafe income being £38,462 compared to the comparative 2022 figure of £17,451). This has been offset by a reduction in legacies of £10,000 (£10,000 received in 2022).

Offerings have remained relatively consistent, showing a 3% increase of £1,103 (£38,859 received in 2023).

Expenditure trends

Total expenditure has increased by £56,139 (66%) to £141,332 for the year to 31st August 2023. This is due to the following:

- '- Circuit Assessments showing an increase of £14,973 in the year (to £39,184). This is due to only 3 payments of £8,017 recorded in the 2022 accounts, whereas 2023 accounts show 4 payments of £9,756. One of these four payments in the 22/23 year related to Q4 21/22, and therefore Q4 22/23 circuit assessment payment of £9,756 is outstanding as at 31st August 2023 (see section G on the Statement of Assets and Liabilities);
- '- There was audio sound equipment expenditure totalling c£15,000 in the year;
- '- Gas and electric increased by c£12,600 in the year (to £20,310);
- '- A cooker was purchased in the year for just under £7,000; and
- '- Wesley's cafe expenses increased by c£5,000.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2023, the net current assets of the Church were £2,950 on the General Fund, giving less than one month of cover for expenditure, and £57,467 on the Legacies Fund which incorporates the "Various Bequests Model Trust Fund" (£52,509) and the "Bernard Leather Gift in Memorial" (£4,958) plus sums in the restricted Wesley cafe Fund, Church Project Fund, Youth Fund, Benevolence Fund and Internal Organisations, as follows:-

	Unrestricted £	Restricted £	Endowment £	Total
General Fund	2,950			2,950
Legacies Fund	52,509	4,958	1,000	57,467
Wesley Café Fund		25,815		25,815
Church Project Fund		516		516
Benevolence Fund		908		908
Youth Fund		1,198		1,198
Internal organisations		726		726
	55,459	34,166	1,000	90,625

Plans for 2023/24

Seek a new fuel supplier to maximise value for money.

Change church accounts to a bank that will better support the church's needs, including online banking.

Review the contributions due from Wesley's café towards fuel costs and, if appropriate, adjust in order to align their contribution with fuel consumption and associated costs.

Maximise the benefits from the new sound system and progress with the Wesley Cafe and Wesley Larder community projects. the demand on property expenditure, to ensure the most essential needs are met first, ie those that best support our aims and objectives.

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Trustees' Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, using Receipts and Payments method.

Full Name of Charity / Church: Church Road Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number: 1134109

Date of registration: 5th February 2010

Main communication address: Church Road Methodist Church, Church Road, St
Annes-on-Sea, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire. FY8.3NQ

The members of the Church Road Methodist Church Council are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of the Minister, Church office holders, Committee representatives and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full membership is shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Mrs Karen Holt

Independent Examiner: Leanne Nield ACA
Arc Accountancy Solutions Limited
51 Iaverton Road, Lytham St Annes, FY8 1EN

Investment Banker: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Banker: Natwest Bank PLC

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

AIMS AND ORGANISATION

Key objectives for 2022/23

- (ii) To work with the various groups in the Church to maintain the wide range of activities.
- (iii) To continue to review our mission activities and to develop realistic plans for the future, taking account of the needs of our local community, our human and financial resources, and different ways of working in a post-Covid environment.
- (iv) To plan, with Blackpool and the South Fylde Circuit, for a smooth transition when our Minister leaves at the end of the year.
- (v) To continue to welcome, guide and inspire our children and young people, helping them to grow in faith. To provide activities appropriate to their needs across the five age groups which range from under 3's to 14+.
- (vi) To seek to ensure full compliance with Methodist Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, including training for staff and volunteers.

Purposes of the Methodist Church

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

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

Main Activities undertaken for the Public Benefit

Working together with the Blackpool & South Fylde Methodist Circuit, Church Road Methodist Church carries out a range of activities in the community, in particular:-
the provision of regular acts of worship open to Church members and non-members alike;
the provision of sacred space (a building) for prayer and contemplation;
the teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups;
the resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved;
the promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services;
the provision of social activities with a focus on particular age groups which are open to all;
the provision of space and facilities for a range of community activities.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and 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 church is undertaken by the Minister, Church Stewards and Church Officers.

The Trustees are appointed at the Church AGM.

Trustee Training

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and "The Role of Trustees" is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings.

Related Parties

The Church is part of the Blackpool & South Fylde Methodist Circuit which is part of the Lancashire Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The Church works with the other nine Churches in the Blackpool & South Fylde Methodist Circuit and with the Circuit Officers and staff.

The internal organisations linked to this church are:-

Church Road Methodist Fellowship Group

Church Road Methodist Church Flower Fund

Church Road Methodist Church "Movement to Music" Group

Bumblebees parent and toddler Group

Wesley's Larder and cafe

rd of August 2023 and to welcome her successor

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is monitored against the approved annual budget on a quarterly basis to identify trends and problem areas as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves. Significant abnormal expenditure is considered by the Resources Committee and authorised by the Church Council before any contractual commitment is made. Quarterly reports are reviewed by the Church Council.

Safeguarding

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 them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the Circuit and in the churches.

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church General Fund is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to six months' average expenditure, ie around £70,000 based on our actual expenditure for 2022/23. At 31st August 2022, the Church held around £3,000 in the General Fund, ie £67,000 in deficit of the target reserve. One-off large items of expenditure during 2022/23 that have drawn down on available general funds have been the audit sound equipment and unexpectedly high electric charges (which will be significantly reduced during 23/24). However, the trustees of the charity are aware that this level of funds is significantly lower than it should be, and discussions are in place how this general fund balance can be raised. There are unrestricted legacy funds of £52,509 that can be used to support the ongoing mission objectives of the church and any future unplanned/unavoidable building work that may arise.

The Church also holds £4,958 in the Bernard Leather Gift in memorial fund which was established to support youth work in the Church. However, we can only withdraw and use the interest received on this investment, so we intend to explore how this can be released for the development of our work in this area.

There is an additional fund restricted for youth work. This holds £1,198 in, and is accessible to spend on youth work at any time.

The Church holds £908 in the Benevolent Fund.

There is a restricted fund for church projects, such as the defibrillator and cooker replacement project. The cooker replacement project had £6,671 granted for it from both Blackpool Citizen Advice Bureau (£4,000) and South Fylde Methodist Circuit (£2,671). This project has been completed during 2022/23, with the cooker costing a total of £6,884. A transfer of £213 was made from general funds to cover this shortfall. There is a carried forward balance of £561 in this restricted church projects but it has been used.

There is also a restricted fund for Wesley café and pantry. Funds are raised through grants and donations via the local community for the provision of meals and food to be provided to the local community. The closing fund balance as at 31st August 2023 for this project is £25,815

en agreed this can be used for other projects.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP
as at 31st August 2023

MINISTER

Revd Louise Makin

CHURCH STEWARDS

Janette Farley
Ben Derbyshire
Bill Ellison
Catherine Irvine

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

Anita Bullock

CHURCH TREASURER

Karen Holt

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastoral

Judith Smith

JKids (Sunday School)

Rebekah Derbyshire

Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Dilys Currie

Church Life

Linda Butcher

Mission

Elaine Watts

Resources

Mike Bennett

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED BY THE GENERAL CHURCH MEETING

- 1 Valerie Ball
- 2 Monica Bissett
- 3 Colin Hird
- 4 Sadie Bridge
- 5 Bill Ellison
- 6 Shirley Grundon
- 7 Irene Harrison
- 8 Jonathan Irving
- 9 Barbara Knowles
- 10 Anne Mayes
- 11 John Mayes
- 12 Catherine Peak
- 13 Rosemary Wells
- 14 Elaine Westmacott-Sturdy
- 15 Elizabeth Hicks

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England & Wales - Charity number 1134109

Accounts

M.W. Cronshaw M.B.A A.C.A.
G.R. Maddock BA (Hons) F.C.A. DChA
C.L. Higgins BA (Hons) F.C.A.
M.E. Croasdale BSc (Hons) F.C.A.
J.C. Dugdale B.Com. F.C.A. (Consultant)



Our Ref. GRM/GM
Your Ref.

The Trustees
Church Road Methodist Church
161 St Annes Road East
Lytham St Annes
Lancashire
FY8 3HP

6 March 2023

Dear Sirs,

In accordance with our normal practice, we are writing to draw your attention to various matters which arose during our independent examination of the charity's accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022.

1. We have no comments to make concerning the qualitative aspects of the entity's accounting practices and financial reporting, except for the observation on the attached page.
2. We did not encounter any significant difficulties during the independent examination and there are no significant findings from the independent examination to draw to your attention.
3. There were no material unadjusted misstatements. Any unadjusted misstatements are clearly trivial.
4. We do not propose any modifications to our independent examination opinion and hence will be issuing a clean independent examination report.

The firm and the independent examination engagement team have therefore complied with relevant ethical requirements concerning independence.

We would like to take this opportunity of expressing our thanks to you for your assistance during the course of our independent examination.

Please note that this report has been prepared for the sole use of Church Road Methodist Church. It must not be disclosed to third parties, quoted, or referred to, without our prior written consent. No responsibility is assumed by us to any other person.

The purpose of the independent examination was to enable us to express an opinion on the financial statements of the charity.

If we can be of any further assistance, please contact Gareth Maddock.

Yours faithfully



Whitehead & Howarth

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Lytham St Annes
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Issue	Recommendation	Comment
Volunteer expenses have been reimbursed without appropriate documentation. This could lead to misappropriation of charitable funds.	Expenses should only be reimbursed when documentation is received.	

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**CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2022

Circuit no.

21/14

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1134109

Minister:

Revd Louise Makin

Church Stewards:

Janette Farley

Ben Derbyshire

Catherine Irving

William Ellison

Marie Hawkins

Jonathan Livesey

Treasurer:

Andrew Whitley

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Introduction

Welcome to the 12th Trustees' Annual Report of Church Road Methodist Church which covers the year to 31st August 2022, a year in which Church activity and attendance has continued to be seriously affected by the Covid 19 Pandemic.

Despite this, we are a Church with a renewed vision that is working and we are optimistic about the future, after the completion our new development and progress with the Wesley Cafe and Wesley Larder community projects.

Aims of the organisation

At Church Road we have adopted the strategic aim of making disciples and transforming lives and communities with the priority to become a sustainable Church by:

- a) Reversing the trend of declining congregations experienced in recent years and developing growth in membership and numbers attending worship through relevant worship and pastoral support to all.
- b) Developing Community Ministry that combines the transforming love of God with the needs of our community, working within and without the building, while maintaining a high level of work with families and young people with a focus on faith development as well as social interaction.
- c) Developing a high quality, sustainable and comfortable suite of premises which will meet current and anticipated needs of the Church in fulfilling its mission and ministry for the next chapter of its life.
- d) Increasing the profile of the Church and developing good working relationships with individuals, agencies and authorities who share our aim.

Review of the year 2021/22.

The rationalisation of the Church site has been completed within budget, creating a warm and welcoming modern suite of premises appropriate to our needs and activities. The new Community Hub was officially opened in June 2019 and has become fully operational, the final completion and handover taking place this year. The pastoral ministry and worship has been resumed in person. The church has been fully open for worship and the provision of food through the Wesley's Larder and cafe have been extended. Community use of the premises is resuming slowly.

Accounts preparation

In the current year the church changed from preparing accruals accounts to receipts and payments accounts. This will reduce the compliance workload going forward, saving time and financial resources. This caused the prior year figures to be restated to receipts and payments method in order for comparable figures. This resulted in a net £23,879 reduction in funds as at 31st August 2021. This was largely caused by a £21,010 reduction from the release of the gift aid accrual, along with £8,017 release of the 21/22 Q1 Circuit assessment prepayment made in 2020/21, offset by a reduction of £5,148 of expenses accrued not incurred until within 2021/22.

The comparative figures for the income and expenditure trends discussed below will be based on these restated figures.

Income trends

Total income for the year to 31st August 2022 was £81,185, compared to £76,412 reported for the previous year. This is an increase of 6% year on year (£4,773). This is largely due to a legacy donation of £10,000, offset by a reduction in offerings by £4,936 (12% decrease on the previous year). The decrease in offerings is expected due to a decreased congregation size and the ongoing challenges from the cost of living crisis. Future income is expected to increase significantly with the expectation of making a gift aid claim in 2022/23.

Expenditure trends

Total expenditure has increased by £5,440 (7%) to £85,193 for the year to 31st August 2022. This is not a true reflection of the increase from the cost of living crisis, as in 2021/22 only three payments were made in the 12 months reported for the circuit assessment (Q2, Q3 and Q4). Q1 2021/22 had been paid in the previous accounting year prior to 31st August 2021. The circuit assessment payments have remained relatively in line with prior year, with payments of £8,017 each quarter being made. The Circuit Assessment is used to pay Ministers' stipends and expenses, manse expenses and the District Assessment from the Lancashire District.

Excluding circuit assessment payments, the remaining expenditure has increased by 70% (£25,219) to £61,143 from the prior year. This is largely due to:

- '- around £9,000 increase in utility costs;
- '- around £5,000 increase in property maintenance costs;
- ' around £3,000 increase in loss in market value of TMCP investments; and
- '- around £3,000 increase in other expenditure, mainly arising from Wesley cafe and pantry.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2022, the net current assets of the Church were £24,516 on the General Fund, giving five months' cover for expenditure, and £72,387 on the Legacies Fund which incorporates the "Various Bequests Model Trust Fund" (£67,570) and the "Bernard Leather Gift in Memorial" (£4,817) plus sums in the Welsey cafe Fund, Church Project Fund, Youth Fund, Benevolence Fund and Internal Organisations, as follows:-

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
General Fund	24,516		24,516
Legacies Fund	67,570	4,817	72,387
Wesley Café Fund		4,280	4,280
Church Project Fund		7,181	7,181
Benevolence Fund		549	549
Youth Fund		1,324	1,324
Internal organisations		1,758	1,758
	92,086	19,909	111,995

Plans for 2022/23

The Church financial plans for the year ending 31st August 2022 on the General Fund have been prepared on the basis of a break-even budget. We have planned for income and expenditure of £72,830, on the assumption that both will again be lower due to the continuing impact of the pandemic. Two property projects have been factored in: the replacement of the cookers in the kitchen, due to wear and tear from increased use and demand, being paid for, mostly, from grant funding. The replacment of the sound and AV system in the worship has been long planned and now due to the previous system installed in the 1980's failing, (and using radio frequency's that are no longer legal) we need to change this system to future proof the building for worship, and will enable the building to be used more. Neither of these were actually completed within the year 2021-2022, but are ongoing and will be completed in the year 2022-2023. The costs of the sound system will be met from bequests already lodged with TMCP.

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Trustees' Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, using Receipts and Payments method.

Full Name of Charity / Church: Church Road Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number: 1134109

Date of registration: 5th February 2010

Main communication address: Church Road Methodist Church, Church Road, St Annes-on-Sea, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire. FY8.3NQ

The members of the Church Road Methodist Church Council are the Charity Trustees, membership being made up of the Minister, Church office holders, Committee representatives and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full membership is shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Mr Andrew Whitley

Andrew Whitley acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year up to August 2022 but through ill-health had to step down and the accounts have been completed by Leanne Nield of Arc Accountancy acting as Bookkeeper, a new treasurer is in the process of being appointed.

Independent Examiner: Messrs Whitehead and Howarth,
327 Clifton Drive South, Lytham St Annes. FY8.1HN

Investment Banker: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Banker: Natwest Bank PLC

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AIMS AND ORGANISATION

Key objectives for 2021/22

- (i) To minimise the impact of the Covid pandemic and to provide a Covid-safe and compliant approach and facility to all activities.
- (ii) To work with the various groups in the Church to restart the wide range of activities.
- (iii) To continue to review our mission activities and to develop realistic plans for the future, taking account of the needs of our local community, our human and financial resources, and different ways of working in a post-Covid environment.
- (iv) To plan, with the South Fylde Circuit, for a smooth transition when our Minister retires in August 2021 and hands over to his successor.
- (v) To continue to welcome, guide and inspire our children and young people, helping them to grow in faith. To provide activities appropriate to their needs across the five age groups which range from under 3's to 14+.
- (vi) To seek to ensure full compliance with Methodist Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, including training for staff and volunteers.

Purposes of the Methodist Church

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

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

Main Activities undertaken for the Public Benefit

Working together with the South Fylde Methodist Circuit, Church Road Methodist Church carries out a range of activities in the community, in particular:-
the provision of regular acts of worship open to Church members and non-members alike;
the provision of sacred space (a building) for prayer and contemplation;
the teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups;
the resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved;
the promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services;
the provision of social activities with a focus on particular age groups which are open to all;
the provision of space and facilities for a range of community activities.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and 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 church is undertaken by the Minister, Church Stewards and Church Officers.

The Trustees are appointed at the Church AGM.

Trustee Training

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and "The Role of Trustees" is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings.

Related Parties

The Church is part of the South Fylde Methodist Circuit which is part of the Lancashire Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The Church works with the other five Churches in the South Fylde Methodist Circuit and with the Circuit Officers and staff.

The internal organisations linked to this church are:-

Church Road Methodist Fellowship Group

Church Road Methodist Church Flower Fund

Church Road Methodist Church "Movement to Music" Group

Bumblebees parent and toddler Group

Wesley's Larder and cafe

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Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is monitored against the approved annual budget on a quarterly basis to identify trends and problem areas as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves. Significant abnormal expenditure is considered by the Resources Committee and authorised by the Church Council before any contractual commitment is made. Quarterly reports are reviewed by the Church Council.

Safeguarding

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 them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the Circuit and in the churches.

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church General Fund is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to six months' average expenditure, ie around £32,000 based on our actual expenditure for 2021/22. At 31st August 2022, the Church held around £25,000 in the General Fund, ie £7,000 in deficit of the target reserve. **This deficit will be reversed by a gift aid claim made in 2022/23 to the sum of around £27,000** This additional sum is being retained to facilitate the carry forward into 2022/23 of unspent grant income of £4,600, to carry forward £5,000 unused contingency funding from the Development project and for £18,400 to fund any major unplanned and unavoidable expenditure on the Church building that may arise. It will also be available to address our plans to develop community outreach activities.

The Church holds a further £68,000 in the Legacies Fund (Various Bequests Model Trust) and this money is held in reserve for the following purposes:-

	£
To fund major unplanned and unavoidable expenditure on the Church building that may arise	30,000
To invest in our mission objectives	25,000
	55,000

The Church also holds £4,817 in the Bernard Leather Gift in memorial fund which was established to support youth work in the Church. However, we can only withdraw and use the interest received on this investment, so we intend to explore how the total sum of £4,802 can be released for the development of our work in this area.

There is an additional fund restricted for youth work. This holds £1,324 in, and is accessible to spend on youth work at any time.

The Church holds £549 in the Benevolent Fund.

There is a restricted fund for church projects, such as the defibrillator and cooker replacement project. The cooker replacement project had £6,671 granted for it from both Blackpool Citizen Advice Bureau (£4,000) and South Fylde Methodist Circuit (£2,671). This project has been completed during 2022/23.

There is also a restricted fund for Wesley café and pantry. Funds are raised through grants and donations via the local community for the provision of meals and food to be provided to the local community. The closing fund balance as at 31st August 2022 for this project is £4,280.

Church Road Methodist Church

Appendix A

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

as at 31st August 2022

MINISTER

Revd. Stephen N. Heath

CHURCH STEWARDS

Janette Farley
Ben Derbyshire
Marie Hawkins
Catherine Irving
Jonathan Livesey
Bill Ellison

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

Anita Bullock

CHURCH TREASURER

Andrew Whitley

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastoral

Judith Smith

JKids (Sunday School)

Rebekah Derbyshire

Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Dilys Currie

Church Life

Linda Butcher

Mission

Elaine Watts

Resources

Mike Bennett

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED BY THE GENERAL CHURCH MEETING

- 1 Valerie Ball
- 2 Monica Bissett
- 3 Colin Hird
- 4 Sadie Bridge
- 5 Bill Ellison
- 6 Shirley Grondon
- 7 Irene Harrison
- 8 Jonathan Irving
- 9 Barbara Knowles
- 10 Anne Mayes
- 11 John Mayes
- 12 Catherine Peak
- 13 Rosemary Wells
- 14 Elaine Westmacott-Sturdy
- 15 Elizabeth Hicks

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DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer

Date

Name

Address

Presentation to the Church Council Meeting for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts were, or will be, presented to the Church Council Meeting on

and were approved.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Church Road Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August

2022

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Church's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

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Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- 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 order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Signature

Relevant Professional qualification or body

Address

Date

Disclosure

Expenditure has been incurred on behalf of the organisation by a volunteer and insufficient appropriate documentary evidence has been retained to support and validate this expenditure.

No charge for electricity has been made by the supplier since work undertaken in 2018/19. As the financial statements are now prepared on a receipts and payments basis there is no inclusion for the potential charge this year, but reserves will be required to meet the full cost in the future which is believed to amount to approximately £18,000.

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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year - RESTATED (See Note 1)
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	37,693	63	37,756	42,692
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	406	23	429	302
a4	Lettings	1,962		1,962	2,020
a5	Other receipts	16,407	24,631	41,038	31,398
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	56,468	24,717	81,185 (a7)	76,412

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year - RESTATED (See Note 1)
		£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	24,051		24,051	34,567
b3	Donations	600		600	600
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	7,558		7,558	2,363
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	25,112	800	25,912	21,203
b6					
b7	Other payments	10,398	16,674	27,072	21,021
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	67,719	17,474	85,193 (b9)	79,754

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year - RESTATED (See Note 1)
		£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR (a6-b8)	(11,251)	7,243	(4,008)	(3,342)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year (RESTATED - see Note 1 & 2)	103,337	9,129	112,466 (c6)	115,808
c3	Sub total (c1+c2)	92,086	16,372	108,458	112,466
c4	Transfers and adjustments		1,779	1,779 (c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR (c3+c4)	92,086	18,151	110,237 (c8)	112,466 (c6)

SECTION D		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year - RESTATED (See Note 1)
		£	£	£	£
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS					
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d1	Balance brought forward from last year				
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			1,004	484
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			688	484
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)			316	

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SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

SECTION E

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS		Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
c1	Flower Fund	970	1,148	(178)		1,316	1,138
e2	Youth Fellowship				(1,779)	1,779	
e3	Ladies Fellowship					588	588
e4	Movement to Music	1,723	1,700	23		9	32
e5							
e6	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	2,693	2,848	(155)	(1,779)	3,692 (e9)	1,758 (e10)
e7	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	81,185 (a7)	85,193 (b9)	(4,008)	1,779 (c7)	112,466 (c6)	110,237 (c8)
e8	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	83,878	88,041	(4,163)		116,158 (x)	111,995 (y)
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account (less amounts owing to External Organisations)	38,664	25,240
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	8,432	12,810
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	65,370	72,387
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	112,466 (c6)	110,237 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations	3,692 (e11)	1,758 (e10)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	116,158 (x)	111,995 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings		
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s)		
g5 Other Liabilities		

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NOTES TO CHURCH ACCOUNTS

1. Prior year figures restated

In the current year the Charity changed from preparing accruals accounts to receipts and payments accounts. The prior year figures shown in Sections A, B and C on page 2 have been restated to receipts and payments method to be comparable year on year. The following table summarises the adjustments made.

	2021 reported figures under £	Adjustments £	2021 restated figures under £	Notes
RECEIPTS				
Offerings and Tax recovered	50,302	(7,610)	42,692	
Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	302		302	
Lettings	2,020		2,020	
Other receipts	31,198	200	31,398	
TOTAL RECEIPTS (excluding internal organisations)	83,822	(7,410)	76,412	
PAYMENTS				
Circuit Assessment or Share	35,400	(833)	34,567	
Donations	600		600	
Repairs and Maintenance	605	1,858	2,363	
Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	18,906	2,297	21,203	
Other payments (including losses on monetary investments)	21,061	(40)	21,021	
TOTAL PAYMENTS (excluding internal organisations)	76,472	3,282	79,754	
NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	7,350	(10,692)	(3,342)	
Total funds brought forward from last year	128,995	(13,187)	115,808	
TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	136,345	(23,879)	112,466	

2. Correction of error - prior year adjustment

In the current year the Charity discovered that historically the Wesley Cafe and Pantry income and expenditure had been treated as unrestricted funds, whereas, the money raised should be treated as restricted funds for spending on providing meals and food to the local community via this church project. As at 1 September 2021, the brought forward fund balance for Wesley Cafe and Pantry was £3,435. As a consequence, the brought forward unrestricted funds balance was overstated, and the restricted funds brought forward balance was understated, both by £3,435. This error has been corrected by restating the brought forward balances on both funds. The following table summarises the impact on the brought

	Brought forward funds as previously reported £	Adjustment £	Brought forward funds as reinstated £	Restated for receipts and payments method (Note 1) £	Final brought forward funds as shown in Section c2 (page 2) £
Unrestricted funds (excluding internal organisations)	130,651	(3,435)	127,216	(23,879)	103,337
Restricted funds (excluding internal organisations)	5,694	3,435	9,129		9,129
Total	136,345		136,345	(23,879)	112,466
Total (including internal organisations)	140,037		140,037		

3. Analysis of restricted funds

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance (see Note 2) £	Incoming Resource s £	Resources Expended £	Transfers £	Closing Balance £	Purpose of the Fund
Wesley Café and Pantry	3,435	17,450	(16,605)		4,280	Providing meals and food to the local community.
Church Projects		7,181			7,181	Funding raised for specific church needs; ie. defibrillator and cooker
Benevolent Fund	886	63	(400)		549	Support for world-wide disasters and individuals in specific need.
Youth Work Fund	4,808	23	(469)	1,779	6,141	Funding for youth work.
Internal Organisations	3,692	2,693	(2,848)	(1,779)	1,758,000	Flower Fund; Movement to Music; Ladies
Totals	12,821	27,410	(20,322)		19,909	

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Dear Gareth,

Letter of Representation from Charity to Independent Examiner

We confirm to the best of our knowledge and belief, and having made appropriate enquiries of other trustees and staff of the charity, the following representations given to you in connection with your review of the charity's accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022.

1. We acknowledge as trustees our responsibility for the accounts, which we have prepared. All the accounting records have been made available to you for the purpose of your review and all the transactions undertaken by the charity have been properly reflected and recorded in the accounting records.
2. We confirm that the charity's governing document does not specify any form of professional audit.
3. We confirm that there have been no changes in the accounting policies other than those disclosed in the accounts. In our opinion, the accounting policies are appropriate to the charity and conform with generally accepted accounting principles. We confirm that all transactions and balances have been accounted for in accordance with these accounting policies.
4. We confirm that all assets have been included in the balance sheet.
5. We confirm that all assets included in the balance sheet exist.
6. We confirm that the charity owns all the assets included in the balance sheet, unless otherwise stated in the accounts.
7. We confirm that the cost (or value) of all the assets in the balance sheet are fairly stated.
8. We confirm that depreciation has been provided on all fixed assets with a limited economic life in accordance with the stated accounting policy. In our opinion, the rates of depreciation are reasonable.
9. We confirm that all liabilities have been fully recorded in the balance sheet.
10. We confirm that all liabilities recorded in the balance sheet are properly those of the charity.
11. We confirm that all liabilities have been recorded at a fair value.
12. We confirm that there has been no netting off of assets and liabilities.
13. We confirm that all income has been fully recorded and correctly classified.
13. The charity has not at any time during the year had any transactions with trustees and connected parties other than as disclosed in the accounts.
14. The charity has no contingent liabilities other than those disclosed in the accounts.
15. There has been no event since the balance sheet date which requires disclosing or which would materially affect the amounts in the accounts, other than those already disclosed or included in the accounts.
16. The charity has not entered into any charitable commitments other than those disclosed in the accounts.
17. We have considered the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic and still consider the going concern basis to be appropriate.

Yours faithfully

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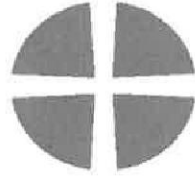
Signed on behalf of the trustees – Church Road Methodist Church

Date

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1134109

Accounts



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2020-21

THE METHODIST CHURCH
ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
(ACCRUALS BASIS)
for the year ended 31 August 2021

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST

Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1134109

Circuit No	21/14
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Minister

Rev Stephen N.Heath

Church Stewards

Janette Farley

Ben Derbyshire

Catherine Irving

Chris Jones

Marie Hawkins

Jonathan Livesey

Church Treasurer

Andrew Whitley

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Introduction

Welcome to the 11th Trustees' Annual Report of Church Road Methodist Church which covers the year to 31st August 2021, a year in which Church activity and attendance has continued to be seriously affected by the Covid 19 Pandemic.

Despite this, we are a Church with a renewed vision that is working and we are optimistic about the future after the completion of our new development and progress with the Wesley Cafe and Wesley Pantry community projects.

Aims of the organisation

At Church Road we have adopted the strategic aim of making disciples and transforming lives and communities with the priority to become a sustainable Church by:

- a) Reversing the trend of declining congregations experienced in recent years and developing growth in membership and numbers attending worship through relevant worship and pastoral support to all.
- b) Developing Community Ministry that combines the transforming love of God with the needs of our community, working within and without the building, while maintaining a high level of work with families and young people with a focus on faith development as well as social interaction.
- c) Developing a high quality, sustainable and comfortable suite of premises which will meet current and anticipated needs of the Church in fulfilling its mission and ministry for the next chapter of its life.
- d) Increasing the profile of the Church and developing good working relationships with individuals, agencies and authorities who share our aim.

Review of the year 2020/21.

The rationalisation of the Church site has been completed within budget, creating a warm and welcoming modern suite of premises appropriate to our needs and activities. The new Community Hub was officially opened in June 2019 and has become fully operational until the Covid 19 Pandemic closed all activity from March to September 2020. The provision of pastoral ministry and worship has been maintained by telephone, online platforms and working with other Churches in the South Fylde Circuit to ensure ministry was maintained. The Church re-opened for worship and the provision of food through the Wesley's Larder and Cafe has resumed. Community use of the premises is resuming slowly.

Income trends

Total income for the year to 31st August 2021 was £84,083, representing an increase of 9% over last year. This was mainly due to the receipt of a significant legacy and various grants to support Wesley's.

Collections, gift aid credits and donations totalled £65,583, representing 78% of our income. The high proportion of members who donate by standing order continues to support a sound financial structure and was the key reason for the relatively high level of annual income being retained throughout 2020/21 in spite of the Covid problems and other external factors.

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Expenditure trends

Total charitable expenditure for the year to 31st August 2021 was £76,229, which generated a surplus (£84,083-£76,229) of £7,854, partly offset by a loss on the revaluation of assets of £388, making a total surplus of income over expenditure of £7,466. The major expenditure was the Circuit Assessment paid to the South Fylde Methodist Circuit. This was £35,400 or 45% of Expenditure which was very similar to last year.

The Circuit Assessment is used to pay Ministers' stipends and expenses, manse expenses and the District Assessment from the Lancashire District.

The other major expenditure is Insurance, Utilities and Cleaning (£18,906) which represents 24% of expenditure.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2021, the net current assets of the Church were £70,089 on the General Fund, giving ten months' cover for expenditure, and £65,371 on the Legacies Fund which incorporates the "Various Bequests Model Trust Fund" (£55,934) and the "Bernard Leather Gift in Memorial" (£4,802) plus small sums in the Benevolence Fund and Internal Organisations, as follows:-

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
General Fund	70,089		70,089
Legacies Fund	60,562	4,809	65,371
Benevolent Fund		886	886
Internal Organisations		3,691	3,691
	<u>130,651</u>	<u>9,386</u>	<u>140,037</u>

Plans for 2021/22

The Church financial plans for the year ending 31st August 2022 on the General Fund have been prepared on the basis of a break-even budget. We have planned for income and expenditure of £74,330, on the assumption that both will again be lower due to the continuing impact of the pandemic. Two property projects have been included, the replacement of the worn out cookers in the kitchen and a new sound system in the Church.

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Trustees' Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts under FRS 102, the Charities' SORP, and taking account of the update bulletin 1 issued in 2016.

Full Name of Charity / Church: Church Road Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number: 1134109

Date of registration: 5th February 2010

Main communication address: Church Road Methodist Church, Church Road, St
Annes-on-Sea, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire. FY8.3NQ

The members of the Church Road Methodist Church Council are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of the Minister, Church office holders, Committee representatives and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full membership is shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Mr Andrew Whitley
Andrew Whitley acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent Examiner: Messrs Whitehead and Howarth,
327 Clifton Drive South, Lytham St Annes. FY8.1HN

Investment Banker: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Banker: Natwest Bank PLC

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

AIMS AND ORGANISATION

Key objectives for 2020/21

- (i) To minimise the impact of the Covid pandemic and to provide a Covid-safe and compliant approach and facility to all activities.
- (ii) To work with the various groups in the Church to restart the wide range of activities.
- (iii) To continue to review our mission activities and to develop realistic plans for the future, taking account of the needs of our local community, our human and financial resources, and different ways of working in a post-Covid environment.
- (iv) To plan, with the South Fylde Circuit, for a smooth transition when our Minister retires in August 2021 and hands over to his successor.
- (v) To continue to welcome, guide and inspire our children and young people, helping them to grow in faith. To provide activities appropriate to their needs across the five age groups which range from under 3's to 14+.
- (vi) To seek to ensure full compliance with Methodist Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, including training for staff and volunteers.

Purposes of the Methodist Church

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

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

Main Activities undertaken for the Public Benefit

Working together with the South Fylde Methodist Circuit, Church Road Methodist Church carries out a range of activities in the community, in particular:-

- the provision of regular acts of worship open to Church members and non-members alike;
- the provision of sacred space (a building) for prayer and contemplation;
- the teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups;
- the resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved;
- the promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services;
- the provision of social activities with a focus on particular age groups which are open to all;
- the provision of space and facilities for a range of community activities.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and 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 church is undertaken by the Minister, Church Stewards and Church Officers.

The Trustees are appointed at the Church AGM.

Trustee Training

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and "The Role of Trustees" is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings.

Related Parties

The Church is part of the South Fylde Methodist Circuit which is part of the Lancashire Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The Church works with the other five Churches in the South Fylde Methodist Circuit and with the Circuit Officers and staff.

The internal organisations linked to this church are:-

Church Road Methodist Church Ladies' Fellowship (MWiB)

Church Road Methodist Church Flower Fund

Church Road Methodist Church "Movement to Music" Group

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is monitored against the approved annual budget on a quarterly basis to identify trends and problem areas as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves. Significant abnormal expenditure is considered by the Resources Committee and authorised by the Church Council before any contractual commitment is made. Quarterly reports are reviewed by the Church Council.

Safeguarding

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 them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the Circuit and in the churches.

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church General Fund is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to six months' average expenditure, ie around £39,000 based on our budgeted expenditure for 2021/22. At 31st August 2021, the Church held £75,100 in the General Fund, ie £36,100 in excess of the target reserve. A portion of this sum is held to ensure we have funds available when required, for example, Wesley's had a cumulative operating surplus of around £8,000 at 31st August 2021 which could have been needed anytime. Another example is the income from last year's Gift Day which will be used to help fund the scheme to upgrade our Church Sound System. It's important that this money is kept in reserve pending the works taking place.

The Church holds a further £55,000 in the Legacies Fund (Various Bequests Model Trust) and this money is held in reserve for the following purposes:-

	£
To fund major unplanned and unavoidable expenditure on the Church building that may arise	30,000
To invest in our mission objectives	25,000
	55,000

The Church also holds £4,808 in the Bernard Leather Gift in memorial fund which was established to support youth work in the Church. However, we can only withdraw and use the interest received on this investment, so we intend to explore how the total sum of £4,808 can be released for the development of our work in this area.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP

as at 31st August 2021

MINISTER

Revd. Stephen N. Heath

CHURCH STEWARDS

Janette Farley
Ben Derbyshire
Hazel Hawkins
Colin Hird
Jonathan Livesey
Christopher Jones

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

Anita Bullock

CHURCH TREASURER

Andrew Whitley

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastoral

Judith Smith

JKids (Sunday School)

Rebekah Derbyshire

Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Dilys Currie

Church Life

Linda Butcher

Mission

Elaine Watts

MWiB

Joan Hollows

Resources

Mike Bennett

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED BY THE GENERAL CHURCH MEETING

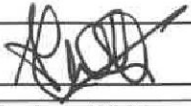
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- 2 Monica Bissett
- 3 Marion Brett
- 4 Sadie Bridge
- 5 Alison Dow
- 6 Shirley Grundon
- 7 Irene Harrison
- 8 Jonathan Irving
- 9 Barbara Knowles
- 10 Anne Mayes
- 11 John Mayes
- 12 Catherine Peak
- 13 Rosemary Wells
- 14 Elaine Westmacott-Sturdy

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

26 July 2022

Name

Andrew Whitley

Address

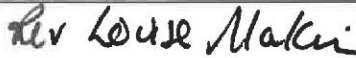
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Presentation to the Church Council Meeting for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts were, or will be, presented to the Church Council Meeting on
and were

22nd February 2022

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Louise Makin

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Church Road Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August

2021

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Church's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Church Road Methodist Church

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

GARETH MASDOCK

Signature

Gareth Maddock.

Relevant Professional qualification or body

FCA - ICAEW

Address

327 CLIFTON DRIVE SOUTH
LYTHAM ST ANNES
FY8 1HN

Date

28/07/2022.

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

	Notes to accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2020-21
		£	£	£	£	£
Income						
1 Offerings	13	42,692				42,692
2 Donations	13	15,281				15,281
3 Gift aid	13	7,610				7,610
4 Interest and investment income	15	286		16		302
5 Income from investment properties	10	-		261		0
6 Internal organisations						261
7 Other charitable income	14	17,937				17,937
8 Total income		83,806	-	277	-	84,083
Expenditure						
9 Circuit assessment or share		35,400				35,400
10 Grants and donations		600				600
11 a Property maintenance		2,363				2,363
11 b Property - Development Project		1,858				-1,858
12 Insurance, utilities etc		18,906				18,906
13 Depreciation		-				0
14 Office expenses		4,058				4,058
15 Other expenditure		16,305		310		16,615
16 Internal organisations				145		145
17 Total charitable expenditure		75,774	0	455	0	76,229
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		388				-388
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0
20 Net income/expenditure (-)		7,644	0	-178	0	7,466
21 Transfers between funds						0
22 Other gains/(losses)						0
23 Net movement in funds		7,644	0	-178	0	7,466
24 Total funds brought forward		123,007		9,564		132,571
25 Total funds carried forward		130,651	-	9,386	-	140,037

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

	Notes to accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2019-20
		£	£	£	£	£
Income						
1 Offerings	13	45,386				45,386
2 Donations	13	8,570		340		8,910
3 Gift aid	13	8,609				8,609
4 Interest and investment income	15	561		41		602
5 Income from investment properties	10	-				0
6 Internal organisations				2,995		2,995
7 Other charitable income	14	10,666				10,666
8 Total income		73,792	-	3,376	-	77,168
Expenditure						
9 Circuit assessment or share		35,492				35,492
10 Grants and donations		600				600
11 a Property maintenance		14,876				14,876
11 b Property - Development Project		-				0
12 Insurance, utilities etc		17,663				17,663
13 Depreciation		-				0
14 Office expenses		4,261				4,261
15 Other expenditure		4,506		9		4,515
16 Internal organisations				2,225		2,225
17 Total charitable expenditure		77,398	0	2,234	0	79,632
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		189				189
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0
20 Net income/expenditure (-)		-3,417	0	1,142	0	-2,275
21 Transfers between funds						0
22 Other gains/(losses)						0
23 Net movement in funds		-3,417	0	1,142	0	-2,275
24 Total funds brought forward		126,424		8,422		134,846
25 Total funds carried forward		123,007	-	9,564	-	132,571

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)		Designated Funds (Unrestricted)		Restricted Funds		Endowment Funds		Totals 2021	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£

Fixed Assets											
Church building and other property	9									0	0
Investment properties	3,10									0	0
Investments	3	60,562			4,808				65,370	60,736	60,736
Total fixed assets		60,562	0	0	4,808	0	0	0	65,370	60,736	60,736

Current Assets											
Debtors and prepayments	3,16	29,027								29,027	22,450
Loans by the Churches										0	0
Investments with TMCP										0	0
Central Finance Board Deposits		8,432							8,432	15,840	15,840
Cash at Bank and in hand	16	37,778			4,578				42,356	42,808	42,808
Total current assets		75,237	0	0	4,578	0	0	0	79,815	81,098	81,098

Current liabilities											
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	3,17	5,148								5,148	9,263
Grants payable within 2017-18									0	0	0
Total current liabilities		5,148	0	0	0	0	0	0	5,148	9,263	9,263
Net current assets/liabilities		70,089	0	0	4,578	0	0	0	74,667	71,835	71,835
Total assets less current liabilities		130,651	0	0	9,386	0	0	0	140,037	132,571	132,571

Long term liabilities											
(due after more than one year)											
Grants payable after 2017-18									0	0	0
Loans to the Church									0	0	0
Net assets		130,651	0	0	9,386	0	0	0	140,037	132,571	132,571

Funds of the Church											
General Fund (Unrestricted)		130,651								130,651	123,007
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)					0					0	0
Total Unrestricted Funds		130,651	0	0	0	0	0	0	130,651	123,007	123,007
Restricted Funds					9,386				9,386	9,564	9,564
Endowment Funds									0	0	0
Total Funds		130,651	0	0	9,386	0	0	0	140,037	132,571	132,571

Certified

 Andrew Whitley
 Church Treasurer

Notes to the Accounts

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 – the Charities SORP (FRS102) and taking note of the Update Bulletin 1 issued in 2016.

2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no Endowment funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the final note to these accounts. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3 Accounting policies

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 Church's financial position and activities.

Incoming Resources

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church 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.

Resources Expended

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 or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £1,000.

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

Debtors relate to Gift-aid Tax refunds totalling £21,010 (2020: £13,400).

Prepayments are the First Quarter payment of the 2021/22 Circuit Assessment paid in August 2021 (£8,017).

Creditors

Creditors include sums outstanding relating to utilities as at 31st August 2021 (£2,288), the fee for the Independent Examination for 2020/21 (£700) and the outstanding balance due to the contractor for the Development Project (£2,160).

4 Payment to Trustees

There were no payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council,

Trustee expenses

	2020/21	2019/20
Number of Trustees	0	0
Total amount	£0	£0

Expense payments primarily relate to reimbursement for travel and computing costs

5 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

	2020/21 £	2019/20 £
Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	690	660
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	NIL	NIL

6 Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

	2020/21	2019/20
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 0	0
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 0	0
Pension costs	£ 0	0
Total staff costs	£ NIL	NIL

Average number of full-time equivalent employees in the year were:

0	0
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7 Capital Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

At the 31st August 2021 there are no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2021.

8 Money received and passed on to External Organisations

	2020/21	2019/20
	£	£
Balance brought forward from last year	0	0
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	484	1382
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	484	1382
Balance carried forward	0	0

9 Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Land £	Manse £	Other buildings £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	0	0	0	0		0
Additions		0				0
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers * (+/-)						
Balance carried forward	0	0		0		0

Accumulated depreciation

Balance brought forward				0		0
Depreciation charge for year (-)				0		0
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers* (+/-)						
Balance carried forward				0		0

Net book value

Brought forward	0	0	0	0		0
Carried forward	0	0	0	0		0

10 Investment assets

The Church has no investment properties

The Church has no common investment fund holdings

11 Loans

The Church currently has no loans

12 Analysis of restricted funds

2020-21

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	1186	0	-300		886	Support for world-wide disasters and individuals in specific need.
Bernard Leather Youth Work Fund	4802	16	-10		4808	Funding for Youth work.
Internal organisations	3576	261	-145		3692	Ladies' Fellowship; Movem'nt to Music Flower Fund
Totals	9564	277	-455		9386	

Comparative analysis of restricted funds

2019-20

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	846	340	0		1186	Support for world-wide disasters and individuals in specific need.
Bernard Leather Youth Work Fund	4771	41	-10		4802	Funding for Youth work.
Internal organisations	2806	2995	-2225		3576	Ladies' Fellowship; Movem'nt to Music Youth Fellowship; Flower Fund
Totals	8423	3376	-2235		9564	

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH				
13 Donations and Legacies				
	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020/21 Total	2019/20 Total
	£	£	£	£
Collections	42,692		42,692	45,386
Tax credits	7,610		7,610	8,609
Donations	10,281		10,281	8,910
Legacies	5,000		5,000	0
Total	65,583		65,583	62,905
14. Other Charitable Income				
	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020/21 Total	2019/20 Total
	£	£	£	£
Fund raising	418		418	2,760
Room lettings	2,020		2,020	1,830
Wesley Cafe	412		412	2,474
Bumblebees	131		131	1,171
Sale of Land	0		0	0
Grants	13,938		13,938	1,540
Other	1,018		1,018	891
Total	17,937		17,937	10,666
15. Investment income				
	Unrestricted	Restricted	2020/21 Total	2019/20 Total
	£	£	£	£
Central Finance Board	286	16	302	602
Rental Income				
Other Income				
Total	286	16	302	602

16. Analysis of Current assets			2020/21		2019/20
Debtors and prepayments			£		£
Pre paid assessments			8,017		8,850
Accrued income			21,010		13,600
Other debtors			0		0
Total debtors and prepayments			29,027		22,450
Cash at bank					
Bank balance held in Natwest Bank			42,347		42,800
Bank balance held in Marsden Building Society			9		8
Total Cash at bank			42,356		42,808
17 Analysis of Current Liabilities					
Trade Creditors			2,288		4,585
Other Creditors - Independent Examination			700		660
Other Creditors - Development Project			2,160		4,018
Total			5,148		9,263

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18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General Fund	67,073	78,540	-75,662	138		70,089
Various Bequests M.T.Fund	55,934	5,266	-112	-138	-388	60,562
Totals	123,007	83,806	-75,774		-388	130,651

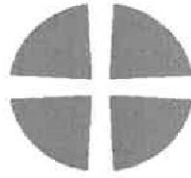
Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Benevolent Fund	1,186	0	-300			886
B.Leather Gift in Memorial	4,803	16	-10			4,809
Internal organisations	3,575	261	-145			3,691
Totals	9,564	277	-455			9,386

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1134109

Accounts



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THE METHODIST CHURCH
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for the year ended 31 August 2020

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Registered Charity - Registration number (if applicable)

1134109

Circuit No	21/14
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Minister

Rev Stephen N.Heath

Church Stewards

Janette Farley

Ben Derbyshire

Hazel Hawkins

Colin Hird

Chris Jones

Jonathan Livesey

Church Treasurer

Andrew Whitley

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Introduction

Welcome to the tenth Trustees' Annual Report of Church Road Methodist Church which covers the year to 31st August 2020, a year in which Church activity and attendance has been seriously affected by the Covid 19 Pandemic.

Despite this, we are a Church with a renewed vision that is working and we are optimistic about the future, encouraged by the opening of our new development and progress with the Wesley Cafe and Wesley Pantry community projects.

Aims of the organisation

At Church Road we have adopted the strategic aim of making disciples and transforming lives and communities with the priority to become a sustainable Church by:

- a) Reversing the trend of declining congregations experienced in recent years and developing growth in membership and numbers attending worship through relevant worship and pastoral support to all.
- b) Developing Community Ministry that combines the transforming love of God with the needs of our community, working within and without the building, while maintaining a high level of work with families and young people with a focus on faith development as well as social interaction.
- c) Developing a high quality, sustainable and comfortable suite of premises which will meet current and anticipated needs of the Church in fulfilling its mission and ministry for the next chapter of its life.
- d) Increasing the profile of the Church and developing good working relationships with individuals, agencies and authorities who share our aim.

Review of the year 2019/20.

The rationalisation of the Church site has been completed within budget, creating a warm and welcoming modern suite of premises appropriate to our needs and activities. The new Community Hub was officially opened in June 2019 and has become fully operational until the Covid 19 Pandemic closed all activity from March to September 2020. The provision of pastoral ministry and worship has been maintained by telephone, online platforms and working with other Churches in the South Fylde Circuit to ensure ministry was maintained. Planning is well advanced for the re-opening of the Church for worship and the provision of food through the Wesley's Larder as soon as restrictions permit and covid safe arrangements are in place.

Income trends

Total income for the year to 31st August 2020 was £77,168, a huge reduction on last year when we had a major land sale and substantial grants. However, this represents an 11% reduction on previous income "norms" which is to be expected, given expected, given the changes imposed by the pandemic.

Collections, gift aid credits and donations totalled £62,565, representing 81% of our income. We were approximately 11% down on previous income levels, including collections, gift aid credits and donations and this is attributable to arrangements applied in response to the pandemic, especially the need to close our Church for a number of weeks. Our high proportion of members who donate by standing order was a key reason for the high level of annual income retained.

Expenditure trends

Total expenditure on the General Fund for the year to 31st August 2020 was £79,632, again representing a large reduction from 2018/19 when £280,685 was spent on the Development Project. Expenditure of £79,632 resulted in a small deficit of £2,275. The reduced income was compensated by savings in a number of areas, including maintenance and utilities. The major expenditure was the Circuit Assessment paid to the South Fylde Methodist Circuit. This was £35,492 or 46% of Expenditure, representing a substantial reduction from previous years.

The Circuit Assessment is used to pay Ministers' stipends and expenses, manse expenses and the District Assessment from the Lancashire District.

The other major expenditures are property costs (£14,876) which represent 20% of our routine expenditure (well below last years when it was 30%) and Insurance, Utilities and Cleaning (£17,663) which represent 23% of expenditure.

Fund balances

As at 31 August 2020, the net current assets of the Church were £67,073 on the General Fund, giving ten months' cover for expenditure, and £60,736 on the Legacies Fund which incorporates the "Various Bequests Model Trust Fund" (£55,934) and the "Bernard Leather Gift in Memorial" (£4,802) plus small sums in the Benevolence Fund and Internal Organisations, as follows:-

	Unrestricted	Restricted	Total
	£	£	£
General Fund	67,073		67,073
Legacies Fund	55,934	4,802	60,736
Benevolence Fund		1,186	1,186
Internal organisations		3,576	3,576
	123,007	9,564	132,571

Plans for 2020/21

The Church financial plans for the year ending 31st August 2021 on the General Fund have been prepared on the basis of a break-even budget. We have planned for income and expenditure of £74,330, on the assumption that both will again be lower due to the continuing impact of the pandemic.

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

Trustees' Annual Report on Finance and Governance

Basis of preparation and legal framework

The Charity's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts under FRS 102, the Charities' SORP, and taking account of the update bulletin 1 issued in 2016.

Full Name of Charity / Church: Church Road Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number: 1134109

Date of registration: 5th February 2010

Main communication address: Church Road Methodist Church, Church Road, St Annes-on-Sea, Lytham St Annes, Lancashire. FY8.3NQ

The members of the Church Road Methodist Church Council are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of the Minister, Church office holders, Committee representatives and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full membership is shown as Appendix A to this report.

Treasurer: Mr Andrew Whitley
Andrew Whitley acted as the principal officer overseeing the day to day financial management and accounting for the church during the year.

Independent Examiner: Messrs Whitehead and Howarth,
327 Clifton Drive South, Lytham St Annes. FY8.1HN

Investment Banker: Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church
Trustees for Methodist Church purposes

Banker: Natwest Bank PLC

CHURCH ROAD METHODIST Church

AIMS AND ORGANISATION

Key objectives for 2020/21

- (i) To minimise the impact of the Covid pandemic and to provide a Covid-safe and compliant approach and facility to all activities.
- (ii) To work with the various groups in the Church to restart the wide range of activities.
- (iii) To continue to review our mission activities and to develop realistic plans for the future, taking account of the needs of our local community, our human and financial resources, and different ways of working in a post-Covid environment.
- (iv) To plan, with the South Fylde Circuit, for a smooth transition when our Minister retires in August 2021 and hands over to his successor.
- (v) To continue to welcome, guide and inspire our children and young people, helping them to grow in faith. To provide activities appropriate to their needs across the five age groups which range from under 3's to 14+.
- (vi) To seek to ensure full compliance with Methodist Safeguarding Policy and Procedures, including training for staff and volunteers.

Purposes of the Methodist Church

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

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

Main Activities undertaken for the Public Benefit

Working together with the South Fylde Methodist Circuit, Church Road Methodist Church carries out a range of activities in the community, in particular:-
the provision of regular acts of worship open to Church members and non-members alike;
the provision of sacred space (a building) for prayer and contemplation;
the teaching of Christianity through sermons, courses and small groups;
the resourcing of pastoral work including visiting the sick and bereaved;
the promotion of Christianity through the staging of events and services;
the provision of social activities with a focus on particular age groups which are open to all;
the provision of space and facilities for a range of community activities.

Public Benefit

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

Structure, Governance and Management

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and 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 church is undertaken by the Minister, Church Stewards and Church Officers.

The Trustees are appointed at the Church AGM.

Trustee Training

A range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion to support the effective running of the Church and "The Role of Trustees" is given to the Church Trustees at various meetings.

Related Parties

The Church is part of the South Fylde Methodist Circuit which is part of the Lancashire Methodist District and is also accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The Church works with the other five Churches in the South Fylde Methodist Circuit and with the Circuit Officers and staff.

The internal organisations linked to this church are:-

Church Road Methodist Church Ladies' Fellowship (MWiB)

Church Road Methodist Church Flower Fund

Church Road Methodist Church "Movement to Music" Group

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Risk Management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required. There is a regular annual review process undertaken and recorded.

Income and Expenditure is monitored against the approved annual budget on a quarterly basis to identify trends and problem areas as part of the risk management process to avoid unforeseen calls on reserves. Significant abnormal expenditure is considered by the Resources Committee and authorised by the Church Council before any contractual commitment is made. Quarterly reports are reviewed by the Church Council.

Safeguarding

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 them from harm.

Methodist Connexional practice outlines commitment to the following principles:

- the care and nurture of, and respectful pastoral ministry with, all children, young people and adults
- the safeguarding and protection of all children, young people and adults when they are vulnerable
- the establishing of safe, caring communities which provide a loving environment where there is informed vigilance as to the dangers of abuse.
- We carefully select and train all those with any responsibility within the Church, in line with Safer Recruitment principles, including the use of criminal records disclosures and registration with the relevant vetting and barring schemes.
- We respond without delay to every complaint made which suggests that an adult, child or young person may have been harmed, cooperating with the police and local authority in any investigation.
- We seek to work with anyone who has suffered abuse, developing with them an appropriate ministry of informed pastoral care.
- We seek to challenge any abuse of power, especially by anyone in a position of trust.
- We seek to offer pastoral care and support, including supervision and referral to the proper authorities, to any member of our church community known to have offended against a child, young person or vulnerable adult.
- In all these principles we follow legislation, guidance and recognised good practice

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to ensuring the implementation of Connexional Safeguarding Policy; government legislation, guidance and safe practice in the Circuit and in the churches.

The Church Road Methodist Church commits itself to the provision of support, advice and training for lay and ordained people that will ensure people are clear and confident about their roles and responsibilities in safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and adults who may be vulnerable.

Reserves Policy

The Reserves Policy for the Church General Fund is to hold a minimum sum equivalent to six months' average expenditure, ie around £39,000 based on our budgeted expenditure for 2020/21. At 31st August 2020, the Church held around £70,000 in the General Fund, ie £31,000 in excess of the target reserve. This additional sum is being retained to facilitate the carry forward into 2020/21 of unspent grant income of £4,600, to carry forward £5,000 unused contingency funding from the Development project and for £18,400 to fund any major unplanned and unavoidable expenditure on the Church building that may arise. It will also be available to address our plans to develop community outreach activities.

The Church holds a further £55,000 in the Legacies Fund (Various Bequests Model Trust) and this money is held in reserve for the following purposes:-

	£
To fund major unplanned and unavoidable expenditure on the Church building that may arise	30,000
To invest in our mission objectives	25,000
	55,000

The Church also holds £4,802 in the Bernard Leather Gift in memorial fund which was established to support youth work in the Church. However, we can only withdraw and use the interest received on this investment, so we intend to explore how the total sum of £4,802 can be released for the development of our work in this area.

The Church holds £1,186 in the Benevolent Fund.

Church Road Methodist Church
CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERSHIP
as at 31st August 2020

Appendix A

MINISTER

Revd. Stephen N. Heath

CHURCH STEWARDS

Janette Farley
Ben Derbyshire
Hazel Hawkins
Colin Hird
Jonathan Livesey
Christopher Jones

SECRETARY TO THE COUNCIL

Anita Bullock

CHURCH TREASURER

Andrew Whitley

COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Pastoral

Judith Smith

JKids (Sunday School)

Rebekah Derbyshire

Safeguarding Co-ordinator

Dilys Currie

Church Life

Linda Butcher

Mission

Elaine Watts

MWiB

Joan Hollows

Resources

Mike Bennett

REPRESENTATIVES ELECTED BY THE GENERAL CHURCH MEETING

- 1 Valerie Ball
- 2 Monica Bissett
- 3 Marion Brett
- 4 Sadie Bridge
- 5 Alison Dow
- 6 Shirley Grundon
- 7 Irene Harrison
- 8 Jonathan Irving
- 9 Barbara Knowles
- 10 Anne Mayes
- 11 John Mayes
- 12 Catherine Peak
- 13 Rosemary Wells
- 14 Elaine Westmacott-Sturdy

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council.

Signature of Treasurer



Date

8th February 2021

Name

Andrew Whitley

Address

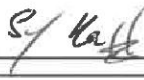
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Presentation to the Church Council Meeting for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts were, or will be, presented to the Church Council Meeting on and were approved.

16th February 2021

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Stephen N. Heath

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Church Road Methodist

Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August

2020

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The Church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Church's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Church Road Methodist Church

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

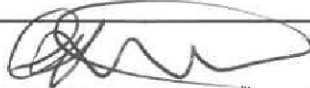
have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

GARETA MASSOCH

Signature



Relevant Professional qualification or body

ICAEW

Address

WHITEHEAD & HOWARTH CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS
327 CLIFTON DRIVE SOUTH
LITHAM ST ANNES
LANCASHIRE, FY8 1HN

Date

30th JUNE 2021

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

	Notes to accounts	Designated Funds				2019-20
		General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Funds £	
Income						
1 Offerings	13	45,386			45,386	
2 Donations	13	8,570	340		8,910	
3 Gift aid	13	8,609			8,609	
4 Interest and investment income	15	561	41		602	
5 Income from investment properties	10	-			0	
6 Internal organisations			2,995		2,995	
7 Other charitable income	14	10,666			10,666	
8 Total income		73,792	-	3,376	77,168	
Expenditure						
9 Circuit assessment or share		35,492			35,492	
10 Grants and donations		600			600	
11 a Property maintenance		14,876			14,876	
11 b Property - Development Project		-			0	
12 Insurance, utilities etc		17,663			17,663	
13 Depreciation		-			0	
14 Office expenses		4,261			4,261	
15 Other expenditure		4,506	9		4,515	
16 Internal organisations			2,225		2,225	
17 Total charitable expenditure		77,398	0	2,234	79,632	
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		189			189	
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties					0	
20 Net income/expenditure (-)		-3,417	0	1,142	-2,275	
21 Transfers between funds					0	
22 Other gains/(losses)					0	
23 Net movement in funds		-3,417	0	1,142	-2,275	
24 Total funds brought forward		126,424	8,422		134,846	
25 Total funds carried forward		123,007	-	9,564	132,571	

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2019

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2018.19
		£	£	£	£	£
Income						
1 Offerings	13	51,350				51,350
2 Donations	13	12,340		585		12,925
3 Gift aid	13	9,260				9,260
4 Interest and investment income	15	917		40		957
5 Income from investment properties	10					0
6 Internal organisations				3,928		3,928
7 Other charitable income	14	261,494				261,494
8 Total income		335,361	0	4,553	0	339,914
Expenditure						
9 Circuit assessment or share		48,944				48,944
10 Grants and donations		705		709		1,414
11 a Property maintenance		8,361				8,361
11 b Property - Development Project		280,685				280,685
12 Insurance, utilities etc		18,876				18,876
13 Depreciation						0
14 Office expenses		3,162				3,162
15 Other expenditure		6,228		9		6,237
16 Internal organisations				4,118		4,118
17 Total charitable expenditure		366,961	0	4,836	0	371,797
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		1,802				1,802
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0
20 Net income/expenditure (-)		-29,798	0	-283	0	-30,081
21 Transfers between funds						0
22 Other gains/(losses)						0
23 Net movement in funds		-29,798	0	-283	0	-30,081
24 Total funds brought forward		156,222		8,705		164,927
25 Total funds carried forward		126,424	0	8,422	0	134,846

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020

Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)		Designated Funds (Unrestricted)		Restricted Funds		Endowment Funds		Totals 2020		Totals 2019	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fixed Assets												
Church building and other property												0
Investment properties	3,10											0
Investments	3	55,934			4,802				60,736			60,516
Total fixed assets		55,934	0	0	4,802	0	0	0	60,736			60,516

Current Assets												
Debtors and prepayments	3,16	22,450										23,373
Loans by the Churches												0
Investments with TMCP												0
Central Finance Board Deposits		15,840							15,840			11,151
Cash at Bank and in hand	16	38,046			4,762				42,808			63,881
Total current assets		76,336	0	0	4,762	0	0	0	81,098			98,405
Current liabilities												
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	3,17	9,263							9,263			24,075
Grants payable within 2017-18									0			0
Total current liabilities		9,263	0	0	0	0	0	0	9,263			24,075
Net current assets/liabilities		67,073	0	0	4,762	0	0	0	71,835			74,330
Total assets less current liabilities		123,007	0	0	9,564	0	0	0	132,571			134,846

Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)												
Grants payable after 2017-18									0			0
Loans to the Church									0			0
Net assets		123,007	0	0	9,564	0	0	0	132,571			134,846

Funds of the Church												
General Fund (Unrestricted)		123,007										126,424
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)			0									0
Total Unrestricted Funds									123,007			126,424
Restricted Funds					9,564							8,422
Endowment Funds									0			0
Total Funds		123,007	0	9,564	0	0	0	0	132,571			134,846

Certified



Andrew Whitley
Church Treasurer

Notes to the Accounts

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2014 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 – the Charities SORP (FRS102) and taking note of the Update Bulletin 1 issued in 2016.

2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no Endowment funds. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the final note to these accounts. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3 Accounting policies

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 Church's financial position and activities.

Incoming Resources

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church 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.

Resources Expended

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 or constructive obligation committing the Church to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment.

VAT

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

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

Tangible fixed assets are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and cost at least £1,000.

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

Debtors relate to Gift-aid Tax refunds totalling £13,400 (2019: £14,500) and a sundry Debtor of £200.

Prepayments are the First Quarter payment of the 2020/21 Circuit Assessment paid in August 2020 (£8,850).

Creditors

Creditors include sums outstanding relating to utilities as at 31st August 2020 (£4,585), the fee for the Independent Examination for 2019/20 (£660) and the outstanding balance due to the contractor for the Development Project (£4,018).

4 Payment to Trustees

There were no payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Church by agreement with the Church Council,

Trustee expenses

	2019/20	2018/19
Number of Trustees	0	0
Total amount	£0	£0

Expense payments primarily relate to reimbursement for travel and computing costs

5 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts

	2019/20 £	2018/19 £
Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	660	630
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	NIL	NIL

6 Paid employees

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

	2019/20	2018/19
Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 0	0
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 0	0
Pension costs	£ 0	0
Total staff costs	£ NIL	NIL

Average number of full-time equivalent employees in the year were:

0	0
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7 Capital Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

At the 31st August 2020 there are no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2020.

8 Money received and passed on to External Organisations

	2019/20	2018/19
	£	£
Balance brought forward from last year	0	0
Offerings/Gifts - received for External Organisations	1382	1395
Offerings/Gifts - passed to External Organisations	1382	1395
Balance carried forward	0	0

9 Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

	Land £	Manse £	Other buildings £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward	0	0	0	0		0
Additions		0				0
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers * (+/-)						
Balance carried forward	0	0		0		0

Accumulated depreciation

Balance brought forward				0		0
Depreciation charge for year (-)				0		0
Revaluations (+/-)						
Disposals (-)						
Transfers* (+/-)						
Balance carried forward				0		0

Net book value

Brought forward	0	0	0	0		0
Carried forward	0	0	0	0		0

10 Investment assets

The Church has no Investment properties

The Church has no common investment fund holdings

11 Loans

The Church currently has no loans

12 Analysis of restricted funds

2019-20

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	846	340	0		1186	Support for world-wide disasters and individuals in specific need.
Bernard Leather Youth Work Fund	4771	41	-10		4802	Funding for Youth work.
Internal organisations	2806	2995	-2225		3576	Ladies' Fellowship; Movem'nt to Music Flower Fund
Totals	8423	3376	-2235		9564	

Comparative analysis of restricted funds

2018-19

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
Benevolent Fund	970	585	-709		846	Support for world-wide disasters and individuals in specific need.
Bernard Leather Youth Work Fund	4740	40	-9		4771	Funding for Youth work.
Internal organisations	2995	3928	-4118		2805	Ladies' Fellowship; Movem'nt to Music Youth Fellowship; Flower Fund
Totals	8705	4553	-4836		8422	

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13 Donations and Legacies					
	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019/20 Total	2018/19 Total	
	£	£	£	£	
Collections	45,386		45,386	51,350	
Tax credits	8,609		8,609	9,260	
Donations	8,570	340	8,910	7,925	
Legacies			0	5,000	
Total	62,565	340	62,905	73,535	
14. Other Charitable Income					
	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019/20 Total	2018/19 Total	
	£	£	£	£	
Fund raising	2,760		2,760	4,444	
Room lettings	1,830		1,830	1,150	
Wesley Cafe	2,474		2,474	2,026	
Bumblebees	1,171		1,171	1,576	
Sale of Land				202,642	
Grants	1,540		1,540	48,000	
Other	891		891	1,656	
Total	10,666		10,666	261,494	
15. Investment income					
	Unrestricted	Restricted	2019/20 Total	2018/19 Total	
	£	£	£	£	
Central Finance Board	561	41	602	957	
Rental Income					
Other Income					
Total	561	41	602	957	
16. Analysis of Current assets				2019/20	2018/19

Debtors and prepayments			£	£
Pre paid assessments			8,850	8,873
Accrued income			13,600	14,500
Other debtors			0	0
Total debtors and prepayments			22,450	23,373
Cash at bank				
Bank balance held in Natwest Bank			42,800	63,841
Bank balance held in Marsden Building Society			8	40
Total Cash at bank			42,808	63,881
17 Analysis of Current Liabilities				
Trade Creditors			4,585	2,970
Other Creditors - Independent Examination			660	630
Other Creditors - Development Project			4,018	20,475
Total			9,263	24,075

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18. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General Fund	70,679	73,792	-77,398			67,073
Various Bequests M.T.Fund	55,745	473		-473	189	55,934
Totals	126,424	74,265	-77,398	-473	189	123,007

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Benevolent Fund	846	340	0			1,186
B.Leather Gift in Memorial	4,771	41	-9			4,803
Internal organisations	2,805	2,995	-2,225			3,575
Totals	8,422	3,376	-2,234			9,564