



# Trustees' Annual Report for the period

		Period start date			Period end date		
From	01	09	2019	To	31	08	2020

## Section A Reference and administration details

**Charity name**

Linacre Methodist Mission & Neighbourhood Centre

**Other names charity is known by**

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**Registered charity number (if any)**

1134158

**Charity's principal address**

123-129 Linacre Road

Litherland

Liverpool

**Postcode**

**L21 8NS**

### Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

		Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
	1	Rev Luke Smith	Chair		Ex Officio
	2	John Langton	Secretary		Church Council
	3	Jean Barnes	Treasurer		Church Council
	4	Sandra Bell	Church Steward		Church Council
	5	Paul Black	Church Steward		Church Council
	6	Brenda Coates			General Church Meeting (GCM)
	7	Val Cousins			GCM
	8	Joan Cumming	N/Hood Centre Chair		GCM
	9	Val Gee	Safeguarding		Circuit Meeting
	10	Alice Harrison			GCM
	11	Nigel Harrison			GCM
	12	Margaret Langton	AWP Project Manager		GCM
	13	Viv Marriott	Church Steward		Church Council
	14	Linda Murphy			GCM
	15	Liz Shaw	Pastoral Sec		Church Council
	16	Keith Tatlock	Church Steward		Church Council
	17	Margaret Wheeler	AWP Treasurer		GCM
	18	Bryan Heath-	Circuit Steward		Circuit Meeting

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	21				
	<b>Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)</b>				
	<b>Name</b>		<b>Dates acted if not for whole year</b>		

	<b>Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)</b>
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Type of adviser	Name	Address

**Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)**

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## Section B Structure, governance and management

### Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	Act of Parliament
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Appointed by General Church meeting and Circuit meeting, some ex officio and existing trustees.

### Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- Trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

### **Induction/Training**

Range of guidance produced by Methodist Connexion, including a leaflet 'The Role of a Trustee in The Methodist Church' given to each trustee.

### **Structure**

We are part of the Liverpool North Circuit which is part of the Liverpool Methodist District which is in turn accountable to the Methodist Conference.

**Related Parties** We do not use a professional fundraiser or work with a commercial participator,

### **Risks**

- Considered by the Church Council.
- Take professional advice as required.
- Regular review process.
- Adopted the following policies: Confidentiality, Conflict of interest, Data Protection, Equal Opportunities, Health & Safety, Lone Worker, Safeguarding, Volunteering, Reserves.

### **Equal Opportunities Statement**

The trustees are committed to making every effort to ensure that all members of the community have an equal opportunity to join in activities and events in the Church and Neighbourhood Centre, avoiding any unlawful discrimination.

The Church and Neighbourhood Centre strives to ensure that the environment is free of harassment and bullying, and that everyone is treated with dignity and respect.

Particular care will be taken to deal effectively with any complaints of discrimination, harassment or bullying.

### **Safeguarding Statement**

Safeguarding of all people who use the premises continues to be a high priority and we remain diligent in applying all safeguarding measures of the Methodist Church. All Trustees, employees and volunteers undergo DBS checks and 'Creating Safer Space' training & Safer Recruitment as and when appropriate.

## **Section C**

## **Objectives and activities**

### **Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document.**

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

- The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The

**Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)**

<p>Methodist Church.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, Local or other organisation of The Methodist Church.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church.</li> </ul>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li><input type="checkbox"/> To carry out religious activities.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> To provide premises for use by a wide range of community groups and activities.</li> <li><input type="checkbox"/> To carry out youth work, uniformed and non-uniformed.</li> </ul> <p>We confirm the trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.</p> <p>We have not had any serious incidents which require reporting to the Charity Commission.</p>	

**Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)**

**You may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment
- contribution made by volunteers.

Linacre Methodist Mission is a faith-based organisation, managing a Grade II Listed Building that has stood at the heart of the neighbourhood, known locally as Linacre, for over 100 years. The Main Worship Hall's architecture was revolutionary in style, when it was built in 1905, resulting in a building that was regarded as one of the most striking in the North of England. The interior was arranged in amphitheatre style to seat 1,250 people and had a large platform with seating for 100 in the choir. Although the Hall has been modernised, much of the original structure remains.

The spaciousness of the Hall, the magnificent mosaic text above the choir created by Italian craftsmen and the richly decorated ceiling can still be admired.

We believe that in Jesus, God showed us how life could be lived to the full. Christianity is not about some dour, dull, and repressed lifestyle, but about delighting in the world that God has made, rejoicing in the friendships he gives and celebrating the joy that comes through knowing Jesus. Our programme here at Linacre seeks to reflect the 'fullness of life' that Jesus wants us to know. Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

The geographical area of Litherland is an area with a high level of social deprivation, above average mortality rates for both male and female and a higher percentage of persons with below average mental wellbeing in comparison with the rest of the Borough of Sefton. Therefore, in addition to our faith activity, Linacre Mission is fully committed to serving and supporting the local community, to tackle its general needs and enhance its quality of life. At present the building delivers activities for older people, children and young people and family-based activities. This facility is vast, with over 1,600 sq.m<sup>2</sup> of floor space distributed throughout a diverse series of community rooms and large halls. The building has been identified as an important landmark in the area.

It is the vision of Linacre Mission, in partnership with the local community and other key stakeholders, to be a 'beacon' for local community engagement and support, as well as a strategic facility providing wider benefits to the surrounding South Sefton environs, and engaging in local social and economic regeneration in this key focus of multiple deprivation in Merseyside. All activities within Linacre are carried out by volunteers. We have a regular core group of approximately 10 volunteers supported by a less regular group of approximately 10 people.

## Section D

## Achievements and performance

### Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

From September to March, Sunday worship continued to address the spiritual needs of a wide range of age groups. Two weekly prayer meetings supported learning and growth in faith for many people. SMILE, (Sunday Madness In LinacrE), a monthly children's afternoon service, involving storytelling, prayer, singing, and crafts continued to help children of primary school age to investigate their faith. In October we celebrated the Church Anniversary and were ably led in worship by the Rev. Patrick Evans, having enjoyed a fish & chip supper and quiz the evening before. In September we held a Service of Testimony in which several people spoke about incidents in which they had experienced God. At the end of November, we held a Memorial service to remember loved ones who had passed away, writing their names on hearts which we hung on a Christmas Tree. This is always a moving service. In January we joined with the rest of the Circuit to celebrate our annual Covenant service, rededicating ourselves to God's service. Two local primary schools chose to use our main worship hall, one for their end of term celebration and another for their Christmas celebration concert.

The Church tries to offer several different ways to encourage people to think about faith and how it relates to living in our modern world. Throughout September and October Linacre took part in *Talking Jesus*, a programme designed to inspire and encourage us to talk about Jesus in practical ways. The *Hope Journey* programme, set up to help school children make the connection between faith and everyday life, was well received by local Primary Schools at Christmas. Unfortunately, we were unable to present the Easter story due to the pandemic and lockdown. We also held a *Meet the Characters* coffee morning at the front church doors, which open out onto the main road and a bus stop. Church members dressed as characters from the Christmas story to engage with passers-by. Linacre is part of the local Churches Together group and joined in carol singing outside the local Asda store. Members of Linacre also attended Lent talks arranged by Churches Together and Linacre's Minister led one of the sessions. One of our most popular services, is the *Carols by Candlelight* service at Christmas at which we have approximately 150 people, many of whom are from the local community or from groups that use our premises. Prior to the service coffee and cakes were served to visitors.

The Christmas Shoebox appeal for *Samaritan's Purse* was again well supported by local schools as well as members of the church and we collected approximately 150 boxes which went to Eastern Europe. We were able to cover the full cost of transportation this year. At Christmas, food hampers were prepared once again and given to needy families in the local area in conjunction with two local schools and a local women's support centre. The demand

for hampers to be distributed continues to grow annually due to increasing deprivation in the locality and we continue to work closely with the local Primary schools to identify recipients.

At the end of February, the Liverpool District of the Methodist Church held a conference at Linacre, entitled '2020 Vision.' Approximately 200 people attended to listen to speakers and to discuss their vision for the coming year, in smaller break out groups. During the year Linacre took part in discussions about the issues and proposals raised in the document 'God in Love Unites Us.' This deals with the various concerns around human relationships, including 'same sex marriage' and 'living together before marriage.' The Methodist Connexion is seeking the views of members on the various issues.

Unfortunately, on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2020 the country went into lockdown due to the Corona virus pandemic and we were no longer able to physically meet for worship. Sunday Services took the form of a telephone dial in service and special services such as Good Friday and Easter Day services were held virtually using the Zoom platform. This has been a mixed blessing as it has engaged with some people who prefer not to attend a service in person, but it has also excluded those who are not able, or do not like, to use technology. All Church business meetings during lockdown have also been held virtually using the Zoom platform, including Church Councils and the General Church Meeting.

In October, work commenced on the refurbishment of the Albert Walker Hall. This Hall is integral to and named after the founder of Linacre Mission. The project aims to offer heritage-based activities to the area and to become recognised as a heritage centre in the south of the borough of Sefton. Building work had to stop part way through due to Covid 19 lockdown but after a two-week stoppage the builders were able to return and work recommenced. It has been a wonderful experience to see the gradual change in the Hall viewed through the scaffolding.

Due to lockdown two Baptisms had to be postponed. Three of our members sadly passed away during the year. Sadly, we were unable to hold services of celebration for them.

### **Neighbourhood Centre Review**

Prior to lockdown, the Neighbourhood Centre continued to be run by a small group of volunteers, mostly from the Church congregation but also a small number of non-church members.

The Management Committee continues to monitor the range of activities offered, to ensure we are supporting and making a difference to the lives of people in this area. We have an excellent kitchen which has a 5-star food hygiene rating and several volunteers have completed Food Hygiene courses.

Many organisations continue to use the premises for conferences and training days, and we are a registered

centre for Sefton Council. Examples of organisations are Sefton One Vision Housing; Sefton CVS; Safeguarding children and adults training.

Our Bingo and Community Discos continue to be extremely popular and are self-funding. Prizes are mostly donated but we also offer vouchers for Tesco and a local butcher. The Bingo engages with a wide range of people, from 90-year-olds to young children. The atmosphere is always one of enjoyment and excitement. Numbers are regularly between 35 to 40.

Grants have successfully been applied for through Steve Morgan Foundation and the Lottery Community Fund amongst many. These grants have enabled us to purchase food to provide hampers for needy families identified through our local schools. Each 'hamper' consists of 4 large shopping bags containing food and household items. In July we were able to provide 85 families with food.

The Neighbourhood Centre continues to be a very busy distribution centre for the Food bank and is in fact the second busiest in the South Sefton area. This project is run in partnership with the Trussell Trust charity. During the lockdown period most volunteers were required to shield and therefore Food Bank was run with just 4 volunteers. Clients had to distance and sadly we were unable to offer a cup of tea.

**Tiny Steps** continued to meet regularly on a Wednesday and Thursday morning. Parents, Grandparents and Child Minders brought pre-school children to play together and develop their social skills. This is also an opportunity to work with parents in helping them to play with their children and to develop the child's language skills through communicating together. This year the group celebrated 30yrs with various activities including a party with entertainment by Mr Tumble Liverpool.

**Rainbows** continued to have a full complement and a waiting list. Several girls have progressed to Brownies with new girls joining Rainbows.

**Brownies** also continue to be popular though with falling numbers. The Pack continues to send girls on to Guides at the age of 10 years whilst 'pulling up' Rainbows. The girls once again enjoyed helping with the packing of the Shoe boxes for Samaritan's Purse Christmas Shoe Box appeal.

**Guides & Senior Section** are a smaller group but continue to enjoy a varied programme of activities. Both Brownies and Guides are led by the same committed volunteer with help from others.

**Youth Club** was run by Sefton Youth Services, 2 nights a week. Numbers are low, but the young people attending continue to have a safe place to meet and to receive a variety of activities, training, and opportunities. Sefton Youth Services run The Duke of Edinburgh scheme.

**Lunch at Linacre** continued to offer a three-course meal for £3.50 on a Tuesday. We can offer a vegetarian option. However, more than just having a meal, this is an opportunity, for mostly older people to have someone to



talk to and to enjoy some social interaction. Lunch at Linacre is open to anyone. The Christmas Lunch attracted 50 plus people. We were entertained by Lander Road school choir and mince pies were kindly donated by Tesco. We have linked with Greggs Foundation and unsold pasties & sandwiches are distributed to those who have had lunch and to Reach Men's group. We have collected Fare Share food from Tesco and Asda. Initially we hoped to be able to provide meals for Lunch Club with this food, but it was not possible. Instead, we redistribute the food we receive to local needy families.

**Place of Welcome.** In November 2019 we became part of Place of Welcome which is a national movement to provide a place to receive basic refreshments free, and a place to meet to address social isolation. This group met on a Thursday afternoon and attracted approximately 30 people. We offered sandwiches and pasties through our link with Greggs Bakery and other items such as crisps, drinks and fruit from Fare Share. The age range of visitors extended from 90 yr olds to those in their 40's. Just prior to lockdown several of our older members went on a barge trip on the canals and docks of Liverpool. It was a cold but enjoyable day.

**The Ukulele group** continues to go from strength to strength and provided entertainment at our Volunteer's celebration evening which we held in September.

**Feelgood Drop in.** This group meets on a Friday morning and is open to anyone with mental health issues. Volunteers are able to assist with form filling or to signpost to other assistance.

**Reach men's group.** This is a drop-in group which meets on Tuesday afternoons and Friday mornings for men with mental health issues. They have access to table tennis, pool and darts. Approximately 14 men attend each session regularly. Counselling is also offered to the men. Many of them attend Place of Welcome and Lunch at Linacre.

**Yoga.** This group is open to both men and women though numbers are small.

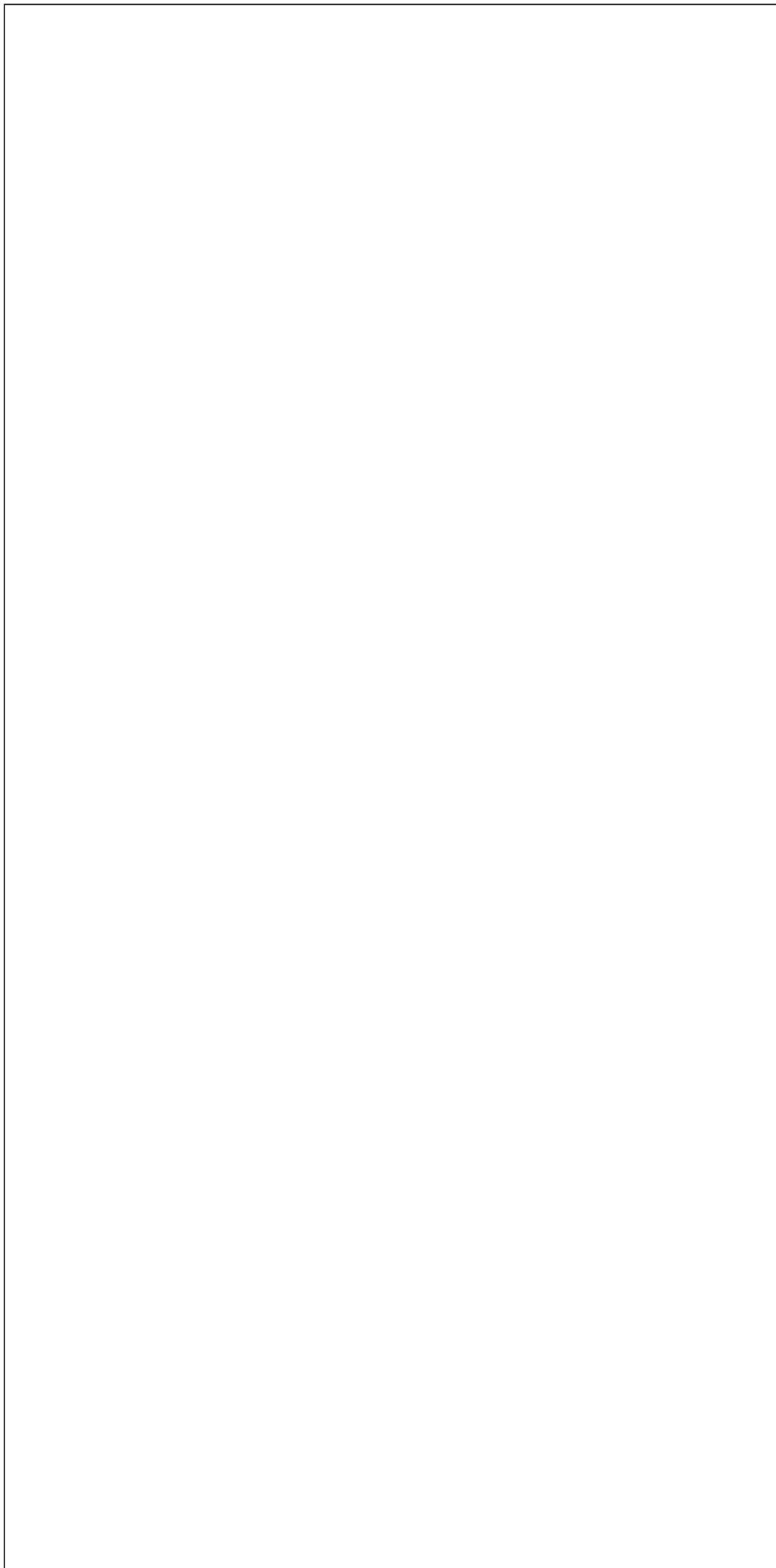
**Sewing group**-Thursday. Approximately 10 to 15 people attend with a qualified instructor.

**Party Troopers.** This is a small business producing balloon sculptures which hires one of our rooms.

Our rooms are also hired for one off occasions. One Church member celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday, inviting everyone from the Church. A Nigerian Church also hired a room to hold a women's day of prayer and praise. In September we held a Volunteer's evening to celebrate the work done by our volunteers and to share with building users a taste of what diverse activities are going on in our building. The evening took the form of a fun quiz and games evening, and we shared a cold buffet.

Unfortunately, almost all activities, including worship had to close in March 2020 due to the pandemic. The only

groups that continued for a time were Reach and the Feelgood support group. Food Bank has continued throughout the pandemic providing for the increasing need as more people became unemployed and schools closed so that children were at home needing to be fed.



## Section E

## Financial review

### Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

#### Aims

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

### Details of any funds materially in deficit

None

### Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

#### Financial plans

Linacre Mission building is 114 years old and although it had a major upgrade using the Big Lottery in 2010/2011, there are still areas to be attended to and there will always be a need for maintenance.

Due to the pandemic, income was lost due to the building being closed to hirers. However, we were able to obtain some grants to offset these losses. The fire alarm and lifts continue to cause a strain on our finances. On a Grade II listed building of this size, the cost of any maintenance contracts and repairs are high and therefore contingency finance has to be in place. The Albert Walker Project has been financed through obtaining grants and match funding. Increasing costs of ministry are likely to result in increased assessments being paid to the Liverpool North Circuit. The aim is to generate income from Gift Aid and through increased rental income once the building has reopened, and to be able to put aside donations that are given to the church.

#### General Fund (Unrestricted)

The reserves policy is to hold at least six months expenditure in hand. Based on the proposed budget for 2020/2021 these reserves are believed to be reasonable and a balanced budget is proposed.

Contracts

## Section F

## Other optional information

## Section G

## Declaration

**The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.  
Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees**

**Signature(s)**

J. Hayes

J. Langton

**Full name(s)**

John Hayes

John Langton

**Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc).**

Chair as of 1/9/21

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**Date**

10 <sup>th</sup> November 2021
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3 Donations and Legacies ...Include the following

	2019-20	2018-19
Collections	20,051.73	20,480.24
Gift Aid	10,377.69	8,036.74
Donations	18,503.77	14,253.16
Legacies		2,114.73
<b>Total received to general fund</b>	<b>48,933.19</b>	<b>44,884.87</b>
Legacy Donations	0.00	0.00
Personal Donations	1,889.07	2,248.72
Gift Aid	496.58	620.73
<b>Total received to AWH</b>	<b>2,385.65</b>	<b>2,869.45</b>

4 Restricted collections/ grants

Meru Karibuni Childrens Trust	2,324.76	456.34
Shoe Box Appeal	175.00	180.00
Harvest appeal	230.00	97.20
Easter offering for WMF	0.00	52.20
Benevolent fund	0.00	0.00
Macmillan	0.00	40.00
From Hugh Baird for tutor fees	0.00	917.74
HMRC Furlough grant for wages	1,538.73	0.00
S M F	600.00	0.00
P S Holt	2,000.00	0.00
POC	1,488.99	0.00
POW	500.00	0.00
CVS	1,000.00	0.00
Community f	2,000.00	0.00
<b>Total received to general fund Restricted AWH</b>	<b>11,857.48</b>	<b>1,743.48</b>
Heritage Lottery Grant	560,845.56	0.00
Grants	136,008.82	0.00
TMCP Grant	30,000.00	
Total received to AWH	726,854.38	0.00
Total Received to restricted collections/grants	<b>738,711.86</b>	<b>0.00</b>

Other trading activities

Fundraising	350.76	241.42
Lettings	18,814.60	30,021.00
Printing and copying	439.93	824.17
Weddings/ funerals	100.00	520.00
Lunch club	1,070.43	2,710.51
Grants for loss of income	7,855.00	0.00
<b>Total other trading activities</b>	<b>28,630.72</b>	<b>34,317.10</b>

5 Investment Income

TMCP	13.16	12.98
<b>Total received to endowment fund</b>	<b>13.16</b>	<b>12.98</b>
Central Finance Board	452.39	848.60
<b>Total received to designated property fund</b>	<b>452.39</b>	<b>848.60</b>

6 Other Income

Benevolent fund		110.00
Flower fund	365.00	615.00
<b>total received to flower fund</b>	<b>365.00</b>	<b>725.00</b>

7 Assessments paid to Circuit

LMMNC is a member of the Liverpool North Circuit. Assessments are paid to Liverpool North Circuit in monthly instalments in advance at an amount determined by the Liverpool North Circuit meeting.

8 Payments to Trustees

The minister if LMMNC undertakes the primary exexutive role within LMMNC As a minister of the Liverpooll North circuit the ministers stipend, employer's pension costs and employers NIC together with the manse housing costs, are paid by the LNCircuit.

The minister is the sole paid key management person but is supported by members of the church council.

It is LMMNC policy to offer to reimburse members of the church council and others involved in the administration of LMMNC affairs for expenditure properly incurred in carrying out their duties.

Apart from the minister no member of the Church Council was in receipt of any payment for work undertaken on behalf of LMMNC although certain travelling and administration costs were re imbursed whenever this was required

9 Salaries and assoc. costs

Wages	4,473.95	5,067.30
Furlough pay	1,538.73	
Employers NI cont	0.00	0.00
Employers pension cont	0.00	0.00
<b>Total Charged to general fund</b>	<b>4,473.95</b>	<b>5,067.30</b>
<b>Total charged to restricted fund</b>	<b>1,538.73</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total wages</b>	<b>6,012.68</b>	<b>5,067.30</b>
Wages	8,250.00	0.00
Employers NI cont	0.00	0.00
Employers pension cost	0.00	0.00
<b>Total charged to AWH</b>	<b>8,250.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total staff costs</b>	<b>14,262.68</b>	<b>5,067.30</b>
<b>Total weekly contractual hours for 2 staff</b>	<b>9.25</b>	<b>9.25</b>

No employees received employee benefits that totalled more than £60,000. There is no accrual for holiday pay as it is immaterial; the holiday year ends on 31 August. All staff are paid at or above the living wage. Those employed by LMMNC are a cleaner and caretaker and by AWH a project manager and an activity co-ordinator.

Pensions

All lay employees have the option of joining an approved defined contribution pension scheme in accordance with auto-enrolment legislation

10 Maintenance on church buildings

Repairs and renewals	10,026.95	16,270.32
Maintenance contracts	4,884.35	8,002.25
Cleaning materials	213.86	317.54
Ground rent	0.00	25.66
General maintenance	2,159.10	982.10
<b>Total charged to general fund</b>	<b>17,284.26</b>	<b>25,597.87</b>
Building costs	694,782.72	0.00
<b>Total charged to AWH</b>	<b>694,782.72</b>	<b>0.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>712,066.98</b>	

<b>11 Office expenses</b>		
Office expenses	1,222.01	1,779.24
<b>Licences and subscriptions</b>	620.67	609.36
Sundry	950.56	663.38
<b>Total charged to general fund</b>	<u>2,793.24</u>	<u>3,051.98</u>
<b>12 Utilities (Insurance, heat, light, water etc</b>		
Insurance	9,219.83	9,122.98
Water charges	639.41	1,569.68
Electricity	5,316.76	6,191.17
Gas	3,028.80	8,259.08
Phone & Internet	437.34	491.05
<b>Total charged to general fund</b>	<u>18,642.14</u>	<u>25,633.96</u>
Insurance	2,967.99	
<b>Total charged to AWH</b>	<u>2,967.99</u>	
<b>Total Utilities</b>	<u>21,610.13</u>	<u>25,633.96</u>
<b>13 Internal Organisations</b>		
Benevolent fund	150.00	170.00
<b>Total charged to benevolent fund</b>	<u>150.00</u>	<u>170.00</u>
Flower fund	607.65	747.00
<b>Total charged to flower fund</b>	<u>607.65</u>	<u>747.00</u>
<b>Total internal organisations</b>	<u>757.65</u>	<u>917.00</u>
<b>14 Other expenditure</b>		
Meru Karibuni Children's Trust	2,324.76	456.34
Shoe Box Appeal	0.00	0.00
Harvest appeal	230.00	97.20
Easter offering for WMF	0.00	52.20
Macmillan	0.00	40.00
From Hugh Baird for tutor fees	0.00	917.74
Sefton Youth		6,600.00
P S Holt	2,000.00	0.00
POC	403.03	0.00
POW	785.33	0.00
CVS	500.00	0.00
Community f	2,000.00	0.00
<b>Total charged to Restricted donations and receipts</b>	<u>8,243.12</u>	<u>8,163.48</u>
Lunch Club	1,647.66	2,660.70
<b>Total charged to general fund</b>	<u>1,647.66</u>	<u>2,660.70</u>
Sundry payments	135.00	136.00
Professional fees	43,026.12	78,144.85
<b>Total charged to AWH</b>	<u>43,161.12</u>	<u>78,280.85</u>
<b>Total other expenditure</b>	<u>53,051.90</u>	<u>89,105.03</u>

<b>15 Investment management</b>
During the year LMMNC paid £4.00 to TMCP, the custodians of LMMNC's investments,(George Rutledge endowment fund (2018-19 £4.00)
The sum of £4.00 was levied at 0.2% on the funds value at the year end
<b>16 Transfers between funds</b>
During the year £150 was transferred from the General fund to the Benevolent fund to fund a benevolent donation..
£21.63 transferred from LMMNC restricted to LMMNC General fund as claimed, travel expenses were donated to the church.
578.89 was transferred to the general fund ( lunch club) from the LMMNC restricted fund as payment for meat, fish and free lunch vouchers reimbursed to lunch club cook from lunch club receipts.
£75731.10 net was transferred from the Central Finance Board to AWH to pay sums incurred during the renovation of the AWH
£13.16 was transferred from endowment fund to general account being income to use for general purposes

<b>17</b>	<b>Tangible Fixed Assets</b>			
	Church (non-investment) land and buildings			Total
	<b>Balance brought forward</b>	2,000,000.00		2,000,000.00
	Additions			
	Disposals			
	Balance carried forward	2,000,000.00		2,000,000.00
	Balance Brought forward			
	Depreciation charge for year(-)			
	Disposals (-)			
	Balance carried forward			
	Brought forward at 1st September 2019	2,000,000.00		2,000,000.00
	Carried forward at 31st August 2020	2,000,000.00		2,000,000.00

<b>Church and other property</b>
<b>18</b> The Value of the church and neighbourhood building on Linacre Road, Lither land is shown in the accounts at 2015 deemed Values, of which the land component is deemed to be £400,000. There is no depreciation on the buildings as the impairment review at the end of the year confirmed that the current residual market value of the building was greater than the carrying value of that part of the asset's cost to date.

	Land	Buildings	Total
Cost or valuation	£	£	£
Balance brought forward at 1st September 2019 at cost		1,600.00	2,000,000.00
Balance Carried forward at 31st August 2020	400,000.00	1,600.00	2,000,000.00

<b>19 Investments</b>
The funds which support the various funds are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and custodian of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property.

TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity and Methodist law and policy as determined by the Methodist Conference

	2019-20	2018-19
Analysis of investment movements	2,000.00	2,000.00
Change in investment values	0.00	0.00
carrying,(market) value at beginning of year	0.00	0.00
Add: additions to investments at cost	0.00	0.00
Less: disposals at carrying value	0.00	0.00
Net gain or loss on revaluation	0.00	0.00
Carrying,(market) value at end of year	2,000.00	2,000.00

<b>20 Debtors and prepayments</b>
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Debtors were made up as follows	2019-20	2018-19
Trade debtors		
Prepayment and accrued income		
Payments in advance	82.00	0.00
Total (net)	82.00	82.00

All sums shown as debtors at 1st September 2019 were received during the following year. All sums paid in advance at 1st September 2019 were for activities that have been held during 2019-20. Similarly, it is expected that payments in advance at 1st September 2020 will be expensed in 2021-21

## 21 Central Finance Board ( CFB ) and Cash at Bank

LMMNC has two current accounts at Barclays Bank plc an authorised institution. The sums held on those accounts are immediately available. In addition LMMNC has a deposit account at CFB a common deposit fund. Interest is earned on this account and credited monthly, the sum deposited can be withdrawn without notice and without loss of interest. This sum is viewed as being liquid.

## 22 Creditors and accrued expenses

Creditors were made up as follows	2019-20	2018-19
Trade creditors		
Payroll Liverpool North circuit		
Lunch club expenses		
J Cumming		
Total Trade creditors	0.00	0.00
Accruals and prepaid income	1,843.00	0.00
Receipts in advance		
Total accruals		
Total		

### Maturity analysis of financial liabilities

	Accrued at paid in year	Accrual made in year	Accrued at
Trade creditors			
Payroll Liverpool North circuit			
Total Trade creditors			
Total			

22 All sums shown as Creditors at 1st September 2019 were unpaid during the year. It is expected that all sums accrued at 31st August 2020 will be paid during the year to 31st August 2021.

## 23 Unrestricted funds

23.1 General fund balance 2,029,807.85 at 31st August 2020 (£2,009,891.51 at 31st August 2019 )

The purpose of the fund is for use at the discretion of the trustees in the furtherance of the general objectives of LMMNC and which have not been designated for other purposes. Approximately 98% of this fund is held as freehold property, church and neighbourhood centre buildings

### 24 Restricted Funds Balance at 31st Aug 2020 £64781.17 (31st Aug 2019 £81577.61)

**Grants received.** Balance of £1655.11 (2019 £180.00) held in the LMMNC main account shown in the restricted figures which are restricted for use as designated by the grant makers or donors. It is intended that these funds will be used during the coming year for the projects as agreed.

The flower fund - balance £ 504.79 (2019 £ 747.44) and benevolent fund balance nil (2019 nil) are both internal organisations which report to the church council.

**The Albert Walker restricted fund**-balance £62142.50 as at August 2020 (£4440.81 2019) is the fund for refurbishing and upgrading the Albert Walker Hall to offer heritage based activities and to become recognised as a heritage centre. Total income in the year was £729692.93- and expenditure was £747731.83- there was a transfer between the restricted funds held in CFB account to the AWH account to pay bills associated with the works which are near completion. The money held in CFB is also part of the AWH fund balance at 31st August 2020 £477.70 (2019 76208.80)

## 25 Summary of movement on significant individual funds

Fund	Balance at 09/01/2019 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers £	Gains/Losses £	Balance at 31st August 2020 £	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Gains/Losses	31st August 2019
General Fund											
	2,009,711.51	77,577.07	44,841.25	450.52		2,042,897.85	£ 2,020,262.37	£ 79,214.95	£ 62,011.81		£ 2,020,262.37
<b>Total unrestricted</b>	2,009,711.51	77,577.07	44,841.25	450.52		2,042,897.85	£ 2,020,262.37	£ 79,214.95	£ 62,011.81	£ -	£ 2,020,262.37
AWH	4,440.81	729,692.42	749,161.83	75,731.10		60,702.50	£ 2,352.21	£ 3,718.05	£ 78,280.85	£ 76,651.40	£ 4,440.81
Restricted grant income	180.00	11,857.48	9,781.85	-600.52		1,655.11	£ 6,600.00	£ -	£ 6,600.00		£ -
Flower Fund	748.00	365.00	607.65	0.00		505.35	£ 880.00	£ 615.00	£ 747.00		£ 748.00
Benevolent fund	0.00	0.00	150.00	150.00		0.00	£ 60.00	£ 110.00	£ 170.00		£ -
CFB											
	76,208.80	0.00		-75,731.10		477.70	£ 152,860.20	£ -	£ -	£ (76,651.40)	£ 76,208.80
<b>Total restricted</b>	81,577.61	741,914.90	759,701.33	-450.52		63,340.66	£ 162,752.41	£ 4,443.05	£ 85,797.85	£ -	£ 81,397.61
George A Routledge Gift Fund (4220)	2,000.00	13.16		-13.16		2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	£ 12.98		£ (12.98)	£ 2,000.00
<b>Total endowment funds</b>	2,000.00	13.16	0.00	-13.16		2,000.00	£ 2,000.00	£ 12.98	£ -	£ (12.98)	£ 2,000.00
Total funds	2,093,289.12	819,505.13	804,542.58	-13.16		2,108,238.51					

## 26 Connected organisations and related parties

As part of the Liverpool North Circuit and Liverpool District the minister and some other LMMNC trustees are also trustees of these bodies.

Connected organisations include the Methodist Connexion, Circuits and churches within the Liverpool district, CFB and TMCP. All of these entities have their own trustees or directors and autonomous administrations such that LMMNC has no significant influence over any of them to they over LMMNC. They are, therefore, not considered related parties

	2019-20	2018-19
Names of Connected Organisations	Receipts £	Payments £



Liverpool North Circuit		-11,650.00	0.00	-27,754.00
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There were no related party transactions

**27 Volunteer contributions**

LMMNC is heavily reliant on volunteers who contribute their skill, time and money in the furtherance of the Church and Neighbourhood Centre. We are grateful to all of them for their help and commitment.

**28 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities**

There were no capital commitments at the year end (2018-19 nil)

There were no Contingent liabilities at the year end (2018-19 nil)

**29 Lease**

LMMNC has no lease commitments

**30 Independent examiner**

Kevin Guy FCA was appointed as independent examiner on 1st September 2021.

**LINACRE METHODIST MISSION AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE**

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

	Notes to the accounts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment funds	Total 2020	Total 2019
<b>Income and Endowments from :</b>	<b>3</b>					
<b>Donations and legacies</b>						
Collections and tax credit		30429.42	496.58		30926.00	29,137.71
Donations		18503.77	1889.07		20392.84	16,501.88
Legacies	£	-			0.00	2,114.73
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
Fundraising		350.76	2729.76		3080.52	241.42
Grants		7855.00	735982.10		743837.10	1,743.48
<b>Other Trading activities</b>	<b>4</b>					
Lettings		18814.60			18814.60	30,021.00
Miscellaneous		1610.36			1610.36	4,054.68
<b>Investments</b>	<b>5</b>		452.39	13.16	465.55	861.58
<b>Other</b>	<b>6</b>					
Internal organisations			365.00		365.00	724.81
<b>Miscellaneous</b>						
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>77563.91</u>	<u>741914.90</u>	<u>13.16</u>	<u>819491.97</u>	<u>85,401.29</u>
<b>Expenditure on:</b>						
Salaries and associated costs	<b>9</b>	4473.95	9788.73		14262.68	5,067.30
Circuit Assessment		11650.00			11650.00	27,754.00
Maintenance on church Building	<b>10</b>	17284.26	694782.72		712066.98	25,597.87
Office Expenses	<b>11</b>	2793.24			2793.24	3,051.98
Utilities (insurance, heat, light water etc.	<b>12</b>	18642.14	2967.99		21610.13	25,633.96
Depreciation						
Internal organisations	<b>13</b>		757.65		757.65	916.62
Other expenditure	<b>14</b>	1647.66	51404.24		53051.90	89,105.03
<b>Total</b>		<u>56491.25</u>	<u>759701.33</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>816192.58</u>	<u>177,126.76</u>
<b>Net income (expenditure)</b>		21072.66	-17786.43	13.16	3299.39	-91725.47
Transfers between funds	<b>16</b>	463.68	-450.52	-13.16	0.00	
<b>Gains on investment assets</b>		21536.34	-18236.95	0.00	3299.39	-91,725.47
<b>Net movement in funds</b>		<u>21536.34</u>	<u>-18236.95</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>3299.39</u>	<u>-91,725.47</u>
<b>Reconciliation of funds</b>						
Total funds brought forward		2009711.51	81577.06	2000.00	2093288.57	2,185,014.78
<b>Total funds carried forward</b>		<u>2031247.85</u>	<u>63340.11</u>	<u>2000.00</u>	<u>2096587.96</u>	<u>2,093,289.31</u>

LINACRE METHODIST MISSION AND NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE  
Balance sheet as at 31st August 2020

	Notes to the accounts	Unrestricted funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment funds		Total 2020	Total 2019		
		£	£	£					
<b>Tangible fixed assets</b>									
Land and buildings		2,000,000.00	0.00			2,000,000.00	2,000,000.00		
Fixtures, Fittings and Equipment									
investments				2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00	In	Out
<b>Total fixed assets</b>		2,000,000.00	0.00	2,000.00		2,002,000.00	2,002,000.00		
<b>Current Assets</b>						0.00	0.00		
Debtors and prepayments	20	82.00				82.00			
Cash in Bank and in hand	21	31,568.85	64,302.40			95,871.25	15,079.32		
Central finance Board deposits			477.71			477.71	76,208.81		
<b>Total current assets</b>		31,650.85	64,780.11	0.00		96,430.96	91,288.13		
Creditors and accruals (due in under 1 year)		-1,843.00				-1,843.00			
Net Current Assets (liabilities)		29,807.85	64,780.11	0.00		94,587.96	91,288.13		
Total Assets less current liabilities		2,029,807.85	64,780.11	2,000.00		2,096,587.96	2,093,288.13		
<b>Loans and creditors due after 1 year</b>									
Provisions for liabilities and charges									
<b>Net Assets</b>		2,029,807.85	64,780.11	2,000.00		2,096,587.96	2,093,288.13		
<b>Funds of the church</b>									
Unrestricted funds		2,029,807.85				2,029,807.85	2,009,892.00		
Restricted funds			64,780.11			64,780.11	81,398.00		
Endowment funds				2,000.00		2,000.00	2,000.00		
<b>Total funds</b>		2,029,807.85	64,780.11	2,000.00		2,096,587.96	2,093,290.00		



CHARITY COMMISSION  
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

## Independent examiner's report on the accounts

### Section A

### Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/  
members of

Linacre Methodist Mission

On accounts for the year  
ended

31<sup>st</sup> August 2020

Charity no  
(if any)

Set out on pages

Attached

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity'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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent  
examiner's statement**

The charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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

Signed:

Date:

20/09/2021

Name:

Kevin Guy

Relevant professional  
qualification(s) or body  
(if any):

FCA

Address:

C/O Ashurst Accountancy Limited 17 Duke Street Formby L374AN


**Section B****Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.

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