

CAMBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2021

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TRUSTEES (Circuit Stewards)

A full list of Trustees is shown on page 4/5

Steve Acklam (Senior Steward)
Margaret Wilson
Ruth Levine
Paul Ashley (Treasurer)

CIRCUIT MINISTERS

The Reverend Colin Smith (Superintendent)
Deacon Ian Murray
The Reverend Alison Walker
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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2021

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2021.

The financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the Deed of Union and Methodist Church Act, and Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019).

BACKGROUND

The aims and purposes of the Cambridge Methodist Circuit are set out in the Circuit Policy Statement. Each year, the Statement is considered and revised when appropriate, achievements in the past year are reviewed, and goals set for the coming year. The Circuit Policy Statement takes as its starting point the Calling of the Methodist Church as approved by the Methodist Conference.

The full Statement is reproduced below:

CAMBRIDGE CIRCUIT POLICY STATEMENT

The Calling of the Methodist Church is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out its discipleship in worship and mission. It has four dimensions:

- Worship** - to increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love;
- Learning and Caring** - to help people to learn and grow as Christians through mutual support and care;
- Service** - to be a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice;
- Evangelism** - to make more followers of Jesus Christ *(Methodist Conference 1996 and 2000)*

This calling is shared with the whole Church of Jesus Christ.

The Cambridge Circuit

1. The Circuit's policy is framed in the light of the Methodist Church's calling. Through the structures of the Circuit local churches assist each other to respond to their calling, seeking to deploy shared resources effectively to that end.

Partnerships

2. The Circuit will encourage churches, where possible, to work together in partnership with other Christian churches, and in particular to develop the potential of the Methodist Church's covenant with the Church of England. It will continue to support Local Ecumenical Partnerships.
3. It will maintain effective links with Wesley House, The Leys School, the Universities, students, and with the regional authorities of other churches and will respond positively to Connexional and District initiatives.

Inclusiveness

4. In its witness to the inclusive nature of the love of God, the Circuit is committed to ensuring, so far as circumstances allow, that buildings and activities are open and welcoming to all, regardless of age, gender, sexual orientation, ethnic origin or physical or mental impairment, and that all can contribute their particular gifts to the common life.
5. The Circuit is committed to providing a safe environment for all, including children, young people and vulnerable adults, and to ensuring that each church has an adequate policy and procedures which are observed and regularly reviewed through the monitoring of safeguarding procedures. A Circuit Steward has this particular responsibility.

Church Life

6. The Circuit will encourage churches, preachers and other leaders of worship to develop worship that is creative, outward-looking and relevant to local needs, as well as being faithful to the Christian tradition. To that end regular training and conferences are attended.
7. The Circuit will ensure that there is adequate provision of pastoral care, especially for all who are members of, or on the community roll of, the churches.
8. The Circuit will promote training that enables members to be more confident of their faith, equips them to share it effectively and develops their gifts for service within and beyond the church.

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The Wider Community

9. The Circuit will support initiatives to share the Christian faith with others, and especially with young people.

10. The Circuit, in partnership where possible with other Christian churches, will seek to respond, as circumstances and resources allow, to the opportunities and needs presented by population growth and housing development in the area.

11. The Circuit will encourage churches to make their premises available for wider community use.

12. The Circuit will support initiatives to promote justice and equality throughout the world, and in particular will encourage churches to follow a fair trade policy.

13. The Circuit will encourage local churches to use natural resources responsibly.

Staffing

14. The Circuit is committed to maintaining the number of Ministers and lay workers required for its present and anticipated future needs.

Accountability

15. The Circuit will ensure responsible management and accountability for buildings, money and other resources and will comply with relevant government and local authority legislation.

ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

In all its activities the Cambridge Circuit has sought to follow the calling of the Methodist Church and respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and live out its discipleship in worship and mission.

At the Circuit Level

For the second year the Covid pandemic continued to materially affect church opening and usage. Even as restrictions were eased many worshippers remained cautious, and similarly it was only towards the end of the reporting period that long time external users of church premises began to return. When weather and facilities allowed there was a noticeable increase in open air services. There has been a major increase in the use of Zoom technology to facilitate meeting and enable remote access to services, and in the use of both contactless payments and direct debits as an alternative to cash collections. The availability of Zoom enabled re-introduction of periodic Circuit Services.

Mission

The Circuit Leadership Team continued to evaluate need and performance against key priorities in the areas of Mission, Inclusion, Discipleship, Buildings, Staffing and Safeguarding. An interim Mission plan based on these priority areas was agreed aiming to carry the Circuit through to September 2022 when the new Superintendent will join.

The foodbank distribution centre at Chesterton stayed open during much of the pandemic lockdowns and from Spring of 2021 has expanded its scope, providing more fresh food and provision of more signposting. The Deacon's role has been essential to the growth of provision in partnership with the Cambridge City Foodbank.

Buildings

In August 2021 planning permission was granted for a further phase of redevelopment at Chesterton - the provision of a social enterprise café and takeaway, working in partnership with the New Meaning Foundation. Work will continue into 2022 to establish the extent of increased construction costs due to various factors and to add to funds already in place for the project.

The third phase of the development at Histon Methodist Church was completed in late November 2019, and an unofficial opening coincided with the annual Christmas market. The remaining part of the development - updating the toilet area - has been postponed and the associated grant returned until such time as the stewards feel the Church is operating to capacity fully again and generating necessary levels of income.

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Planning permission has been obtained for significant refurbishment at Royston Methodist Church and elements of the plan have been completed. Estimates to complete the project were significantly higher than expected and further work is on hold at present.

The outside of Toft Chapel was painted and made good as a result of a generous grant from the Harry Jackson fund, which exists specifically to support small churches with this type of improvement.

Staffing

During the year the Superintendent gave notice of his intention to sit down from August 2022. At the same time one of the full time Presbyters was successful in obtaining a move to become Chaplain to Kent College, a large leading independent day and boarding school underpinned by the Wesleyan values of 'doing all the good you can' in an accepting and supporting Christian ethos. Significant effort was therefore deployed in the second part of the year to prepare for the Stationing Round as the Circuit sought two new ministers, and also in supporting ministers on Sabbatical. A number of long serving and highly experienced Circuit Stewards stood down. To maximise ordained staff and lay resource there was increasing co-operation between the 4 City Churches.

Safeguarding

The 2020/21 year saw significant shifts in provision of safeguarding training as a consequence of the Coronavirus pandemic, with online training becoming the norm with greater support from the East Anglia Methodist District and the Eastern Region. The circuit is grateful for the commitment of large numbers of volunteers in local churches in completing both foundation and advanced modules. The circuit is developing the role of the circuit administrator to encompass more administration in support of the circuit safeguarding officer.

Individual Churches Highlights

Against the background of restrictions and concern, Circuit Churches have shown great creativity in ensuring their own congregations and their wider communities stayed connected.

Haslingfield's initiatives included a weekly Zoom Coffee morning; shared Zoom worship with Castle Street and Histon; joint outdoor services with the Parish Church celebrating Harvest, Christmas and Easter. The re-launch of the outdoor Pop-Up Coffee Shop during the Summer which provided extremely popular.

Histon replaced their usual Christmas Market in 2020 with a successful virtual one which enabled members to deliver items to others who enjoyed the doorstep contact. The weekly Coffee Shop re-opened on Wednesday mornings in the summer and was well supported. The church supported and was involved in the Churches Together Holiday Club in July.

Toft participated in a very beautiful Advent Starlight and Firelight afternoon service in the church yard of its LEP partner St Andrews. It decorated its own church for Christmas with outside lights, coloured windows, and a visible Nativity scene. Many favourable comments were received. Many of the Toft congregation have actively supported a Sunday Zoom inter-church service.

The YouTube services organised by Wesley, which were filmed in the Church but not attended by any members of the congregation, gained universal viewers, with positive feedback received from both India and the USA. Indeed on one notable occasion the address was actually given from America by an American Methodist Minister and viewed primarily in the UK.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The General Fund (unrestricted) showed a deficit of £26,050 before gains on investments (2020: deficit of 1,383).

The principal source of income for the Circuit is a quarterly assessment levied on all the churches in the Circuit (based partly on unrestricted income and partly on membership), which forms a first charge on the income of the churches under Methodist Standing Orders.

During the year grants paid out for expenditure on Circuit property amounted to £NIL (2020: £14,928).

All the Circuit subsidiary accounts, together with the Circuit Advance Fund, are held with the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church.

Members of the Circuit were involved in a range of fund raising activities on behalf of Methodist and other charities.

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES/CONTINUED

RESERVES POLICY

It is the policy of the Circuit Meeting to maintain a balance on the unrestricted General Fund equivalent to approximately at least 6 months turnover. In recent years the general reserve has fallen below this level. However, the General Fund reserve is backed up by the fact that the majority of the Circuit Advance Fund is unrestricted. The total reserves available are thus well in excess of the minimum requirement. At a Circuit Meeting held after the financial year end on 11th October 2016 it was resolved that the General Fund reserve be reduced to 3 months over a period of several years by careful and well planned allocation of resources.

GOVERNANCE ISSUES

The Circuit Meeting is constituted in accordance with Methodist Standing Order 510 and consists essentially of the ministerial staff of the Circuit, Circuit Stewards and other Circuit officers appointed by the Circuit Meeting, and representatives appointed by each Church in the Circuit, the number of representatives being related to Church membership. The responsibilities of the Circuit Meeting are set out in Methodist Standing Order 515. The Circuit Meeting met on three occasions during the year. Proposals are prepared for consideration by the Circuit Meeting by the Circuit Leadership Team, consisting of all Ministers and Circuit Stewards, and other Circuit committees.

A Safeguarding Office keeps all relevant statutory obligations under review and reports to the Circuit Meeting.

New Trustees are appointed when new Ministers are appointed to the Circuit, the local churches appoint representatives to the Trustee body (the Circuit Meeting) or when the Trustee body recruits and appoints new Circuit officers including the Circuit Stewards. The membership of the Trustee body is constituted according to the relevant standing orders of the Methodist Church determined by the Methodist Conference, which are legally binding on each Circuit and local Church. The Circuit will review its training and induction procedures in the coming year.

The Trustees are aware of and regularly review the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and consider the Circuit's activities compliant.

KEY MANAGEMENT REMUNERATION

The Methodist Conference reviews the stipends each year taking into account inflation.

LIST OF CHARITY TRUSTEES 2020/21**Trustees**Circuit Stewards

Mr Mike Sharpe (Property Steward) (resigned August 2021)

Mr Angus Campbell (Treasurer) (resigned August 2021)

Mr Richard Elcock (Steward) (resigned June 2021)

Mr Steve Acklam (Senior Steward)

Mrs Margaret Wilson (Steward)

Mr Michael Simmonds (Steward) (resigned October 2020)

Mrs R Levine (Steward)

Mr P Ashley (Treasurer) (appointed August 2021)

Representatives from the Circuit

Rev Dr Jane Leach (representing Wesley House Theological College) (resigned July 2021)

Mrs Wendy Timbs (Haslingfield)

Mrs Joyce Goodall (Royston)

Mr Paul Harris (Royston) (resigned November 2020)

Dr Paul Ashley (treasurer Wesley)

Mr Geoff Batty (Wesley)

Mr Jim Chapman (Orwell)

Dr Phil Dale (Haslingfield)

Mrs Sheila Elcock (Junior Mission for All) (resigned July 2021)

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LIST OF CHARITY TRUSTEES 2020/21 - continuedRepresentatives from the Circuit

Mr Gordon Heald (Sawston)
Mr Ross McEwan (Cambourne)
Mrs Frances Pascoe (Orwell)
Mr Chris Rayson (Castle Street)
Miss Phyllis Salmon (Haslingfield)
Miss Elsie Salmon (Haslingfield)
Mrs Diana Tebbitt (Toft)
Mrs Rosemary Watson (Histon)
Mrs Judy Wynn (Local Preachers)
Mr David Mackenzie (Toft)
Rev Dr Peter Graves
Rev Charles Mather
Mr James Taylor (resigned July 2021)

Miss K Coles
Mr Michael Simmonds (resigned October 2021)
Ms Margaret Wilson
Mr Michael Abbs (MHA) (resigned July 2021)
Dr Nicholas Keep
Mrs Mary Ratcliffe
Ms Lynda Meharry
Mr Angus Campbell
Mr Mike Sharpe

Key Management PersonnelCircuit Staff

Rev Colin Smith (Superintendent and Chair)
Deacon Ian Murray (Wesley & Chesterton)
Revd Alison Walker (Castle St, Haslingfield, Histon, Toft)
Revd Charity Nzegwu (Orwell, Foxton, Royston)

STATEMENT OF TRUSTEES RESPONSIBILITIES

The charity Trustees are responsible for preparing a Trustees' annual report and financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

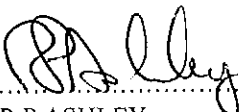
The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity Trustees to prepare financial statements for each year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charity and of the incoming resources, and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

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

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations, and the provisions of the Deed of Union. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Trustees on 16 MARCH 2022

and signed on their behalf by:


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DR P ASHLEY
TRUSTEE

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CAMBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

OPINION

We have audited the financial statements of Cambridge Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31st August 2021 which comprise the Statement of Financial Activities, the Balance Sheet, Statement of Cash Flows and the related notes. The financial reporting framework that has been applied in their preparation is applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Financial Reporting Standard 102 "The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland" (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the charity's affairs as at 31st August 2021, and of its outgoing resources and application of resources for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice; and
- have been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011.

BASIS OF OPINION

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the charity in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in the UK, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and the provisions available for small entities, in the circumstances set out in note 5 to the financial statements, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

CONCLUSION RELATING TO GOING CONCERN

In auditing the financial statements we have concluded that the Trustees' use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate.

Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that individually or collectively may cast significant doubt on the charity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue.

Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Trustees with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections in this report.

OTHER INFORMATION

The other information comprises the information included in the Report of the Trustees, other than the financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. The Trustees are responsible for the Report of the Trustees.

Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon.

In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the Report of the Trustees and, in doing so, consider whether the Report of the Trustees is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work we have performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact.

We have nothing to report in this regard.

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INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MEMBERS OF CAMBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

MATTERS ON WHICH WE ARE REQUIRED TO REPORT BY EXCEPTION

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters to which the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 require us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- the information given in the financial statements is inconsistent in any material respect with the Report of the Trustees; or
- sufficient accounting records have not been kept; or
- the financial statements are not in agreement with the accounting records and returns; or

- we have not received all the information and explanations we require for our audit.

RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES

As explained more fully in the Trustees' responsibilities statement set out on page 5, the Trustees are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Trustees determine is necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Trustees are responsible for assessing the charity's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Trustees either intend to liquidate the charity or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

AUDITOR'S RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

We have been appointed as auditor under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 and report in accordance with the Act and relevant regulations made or having effect thereunder.

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

IDENTIFYING AND ASSESSING POTENTIAL RISKS RELATED TO IRREGULARITIES

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- We have considered the nature of the industry and sector, control environment and business performance, including the design of the charity's remuneration policies.
- We have enquired with management in regards to their own assessment of the risks of irregularities, including fraud.
- We have obtained relevant documentation and representations in order to form an opinion on potential irregularities, including fraud.
- Our audit work is limited to samples inherently used under International Auditing Standards, therefore not all transactions are reviewed so the detection of irregularities, including fraud is limited to this.
- Any matter we identified having obtained and reviewed the charity's documentation of their policies and procedures relating to:
 - o Identifying, evaluating and complying with laws and regulations and whether they are aware of any non-compliance.
 - o Detecting and responding to the risks of fraud and whether they have knowledge of any actual, suspected or alleged fraud.
 - o The internal controls established to mitigate risks of fraud or non-compliance with laws and regulations.

As a result of these procedures, we considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud and identified the greatest potential for fraud is in relation to the overstatement of revenue. In common with all audits under ISAs (UK). We are also required to perform specific procedures to respond to the risk of management override.

We also obtained an understanding of the legal and regulatory environment and frameworks in which the charity operates, focusing on provisions of those laws and regulations that had a direct effect on the determination of material amounts and disclosures in the financial statements. The key laws and regulations we considered in this context included the UK Charities Act and local tax legislation.

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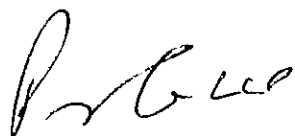
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In addition, we considered provisions of other laws and regulations which do not have a direct effect on the financial statements, but compliance which may be fundamental for the charity to operate or to avoid a material penalty.

Relevant identified laws and regulations were communicated within the engagement team so they remained alert throughout the audit for indications of fraud or non-compliance.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

This report is made solely to the Trustees, as a body, in accordance with the Charities Act 2011. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the charity's Trustees those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinion we have formed.



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5th April 2022

Prentis & Co LLP is eligible to act as an auditor in terms of section 1212 of the Companies Act 2006.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Note	Circuit Model				General Fund				Trust Fund				Restricted Funds				Total Funds			
		General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund
		2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME																					
Income from charitable activities:																					
Donations		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Assessment or share		194,703	-	-	-	194,703	-	-	-	225,309	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants	2	18,105	-	-	-	18,105	-	-	-	18,105	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other income		2,032	-	-	-	2,032	-	-	-	7,830	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Investment income:																					
Interest and investment income	3	162	2,277	-	-	2,439	-	-	-	913	4,798	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lettings		17,426	-	-	-	17,426	-	-	-	14,952	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL INCOME		232,428	2,277	-	-	234,705	-	-	-	247,134	4,798	-	-	9,699	-	-	-	281,631	-	-	-
EXPENDITURE																					
Expenditure on charitable activities:																					
Stipends, salaries, NIC and pension costs	4	157,610	-	-	-	157,610	-	-	-	160,881	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
District assessment		54,021	-	-	-	54,021	-	-	-	51,164	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Methodist Church Fund		-	21,755	-	-	21,755	-	-	-	-	12,515	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone, travel and office		19,128	205	-	-	19,333	-	-	-	23,437	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Insurance, utilities etc.		15,547	-	-	-	15,547	-	-	-	16,708	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maintenance and rental of manse		9,622	-	-	-	9,622	-	-	-	15,867	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants and donations		2,550	-	-	-	2,550	-	-	-	460	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Grants for expenditure on other circuit property		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14,928	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		258,478	21,960	-	-	280,438	-	-	-	268,517	27,443	-	-	30,797	-	-	-	326,757	-	-	-
Net income/(expenditure) before gains/(losses)		(26,050)	(19,683)	-	-	(45,733)	-	-	-	(1,383)	(22,645)	-	-	(21,098)	-	-	-	(45,126)	-	-	-
Gains and (losses) on revaluation of property		463,100	53,800	-	-	516,900	-	-	-	-	167,774	-	-	-	-	-	-	167,774	-	-	-
Gains and (losses) on revaluation of investment assets	7	-	9,348	-	-	9,348	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-	-	-
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFERS		437,050	43,465	-	-	446,393	-	-	-	(1,383)	145,147	-	-	(21,098)	-	-	-	122,666	-	-	-
Transfers between funds		(1,914)	-	-	-	(1,914)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		435,136	43,465	-	-	436,605	-	-	-	(1,383)	145,147	-	-	(21,098)	-	-	-	122,666	-	-	-
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS																					
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1ST SEPTEMBER 2020		3,460,264	485,353	-	-	3,945,617	-	-	-	3,461,647	340,206	-	-	53,240	-	-	-	3,855,093	-	-	-
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST AUGUST 2021		3,895,400	528,818	-	-	4,424,218	-	-	-	3,460,264	485,353	-	-	32,142	-	-	-	3,977,759	-	-	-

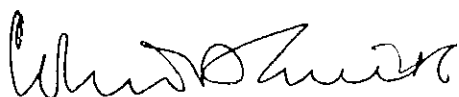
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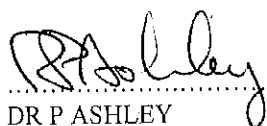
BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2021 £	£	2020 £	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	6	3,213,000		2,749,900	
Investments	7	787,434		723,433	
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS		4,000,434		3,473,333	
CURRENT ASSETS					
Central Finance Board - Deposit Accounts		489,043		552,013	
Cash at bank and in hand		3,825		6,396	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		492,868		558,409	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year					
	8	<u>53,565</u>		<u>53,983</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			439,303		504,426
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>4,439,737</u>		<u>3,977,759</u>
NET ASSETS	10		<u>4,439,737</u>		<u>3,977,759</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Unrestricted income funds		4,424,218		3,945,617	
Restricted income funds	9	15,519		32,142	
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS		4,439,737		3,977,759	

Approved by the Trustees on 16 MARCH 2022 and signed on their behalf by:



REVEREND C A SMITH
TRUSTEE



DR P ASHLEY
TRUSTEE

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Notes	2021 £	2020 £
CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash used in operating activities	12	433,263	105,418
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		1,523	5,711
Lettings income		17,426	14,952
Additions to investments		(853)	(1,232)
Revaluation of properties		(516,900)	-
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		<u>(498,804)</u>	<u>19,431</u>
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE YEAR		(65,541)	124,849
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		<u>558,409</u>	<u>433,560</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		<u>492,868</u>	<u>558,409</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

(a) BASIS OF PREPARATION

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their financial statements in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102)) and the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102).

The Cambridge Methodist Circuit meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102.

Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction values unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy notes.

(b) ASSESSMENT OF GOING CONCERN

The Trustees consider that there are no material uncertainties about the Circuit's ability to continue as a going concern.

(c) INCOME

Income is recognised in the year in which the charity is entitled to the receipt, and the amount can be measured with reasonable certainty. Income is only deferred when the charity has to fulfil conditions before becoming entitled to it or where the donor has specified that the income is to be expended in a future year.

Assessment or share

Assessment income is recognised upon the Circuit notifying assessable churches in writing of both the amount and settlement date. Assessments for local churches under the Circuit are reviewed on an annual basis dependent on income and membership levels of each assessable church. The purpose of the income is to cover various ministerial costs associated with each church.

Capital receipts

Capital receipts are recognised when the Circuit has legal entitlement to the funds, and where relevant, upon completion date. Capital receipts relate directly to the sale of donated land and buildings where the Circuit is given entitlement.

(d) EXPENDITURE AND IRRECOVERABLE VAT

Expenditure is recognised once there is a legal or constructive obligation to make a payment to a third party, it is probable that settlement will be required and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. All expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis. All expenses including support costs and governance costs are allocated or apportioned to the following expenditure headings as follows:

Charitable activities:

Expenditure on charitable activities includes the costs of activities undertaken to further the purposes of the Circuit and their associated support costs. Costs relating to a particular activity are allocated directly, others are apportioned on an appropriate basis.

Governance costs include all expenditure not directly related to the charitable activity or fundraising ventures. This includes an appropriate proportion of costs of staff salaries for administration staff and audit fees.

Irrecoverable VAT is charged as a cost against the activity for which the expenditure was incurred.

No further analysis of expenditure is provided in the notes as the Trustees deem suitable analysis is provided on the Statement of Financial Activities.

(e) OPERATING LEASES

Rentals applicable to operating leases where substantially all of the benefits and risks of ownership remain with the lessor, are charged against income as incurred.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

(f) TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

The Trustees consider that the market value of the freehold properties is in excess of its cost as shown in the financial statements, and that in view of this there is no necessity to charge depreciation on them.

The charity has a policy of capitalising any fixed assets in excess of £2500.

Equipment assets are stated at cost less depreciation. Depreciation is provided at rates calculated to write off the costs of fixed assets, less their estimated residual, over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Equipment - 25% straight line basis

(g) INVESTMENT FIXED ASSETS

Investments are a form of basic financial instrument and are initially recognised at their transaction value and subsequently measured at their fair value as at the balance sheet date using the most recent professional valuation.

The Statement of Financial Activities includes the net gains and losses arising on revaluation and disposals throughout the year.

The Circuit does not acquire put options, derivatives or other complex financial instruments.

The main form of financial risk faced by the charity is that of volatility in property markets due to wider economic conditions, the attitude of investors to investment risk, and changes in sentiment concerning property investment and within particular sectors or sub sectors.

(h) PENSIONS

The Circuit pays pension contributions for the five Circuit Ministers to the Methodist Ministers' Pension Scheme, which is a final salary defined benefit scheme. The pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Circuit to the fund in respect of the year. The overall responsibility and liability for the fund and deficit top arrangement lies with Connexion and is disclosed in their financial statements.

(i) FUND ACCOUNTING

Unrestricted Funds	are available for use at the discretion of the Circuit in furtherance of the objectives of the Circuit
Designated Funds	are funds set aside by the Circuit in order to undertake specific projects, or equalise anticipated major expenditure on maintenance of fixed assets in future years.
Restricted Funds	are monies subject to regulation by the donors of the funds as to their use.

2.	GRANTS RECEIVED Year ended 31st August 2021	(Unrestricted) Circuit Model			2021
		General Fund £	Trust Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
	Connexional Diaconal Grant	18,000	-	-	18,000
	The Leys	105	-	-	105
		<u>18,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>18,105</u>
	GRANTS RECEIVED Year ended 31st August 2020	(Unrestricted) Circuit Model			2020
		General Fund £	Trust Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
	Connexional Diaconal Grant	18,000	-	-	18,000
	Venture FX	-	-	9,501	9,501
	The Leys	105	-	-	105
		<u>18,105</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>9,501</u>	<u>27,606</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

3.	INTEREST AND INVESTMENT INCOME Year ended 31st August 2021	(Unrestricted) Circuit Model			2021
		General Fund £	Trust Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
	Interest on deposits	162	2,277	35	2,474
	INTEREST AND INVESTMENT INCOME Year ended 31st August 2020	(Unrestricted) Circuit Model			2020
		General Fund £	Trust Fund £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
	Interest on deposits	913	4,798	-	5,711
4.	TRUSTEE AND STAFF REMUNERATION				
	The staff costs were:			2021	2020
	Trustees (Circuit Ministers) and support staff			£	£
	Salaries			119,045	130,313
	Social security costs			10,285	9,653
	Pension costs			28,280	20,915
				157,610	160,881
	Average weekly number of staff employed during the year:				
	Full time			4	4
	Part time			1	1
				5	5
The Circuit Ministers are also Trustees of the Circuit, Reverend C Smith, Deacon I Murray, Reverend A Walker and Reverend C Nzegwu.					
No member of staff received remuneration of more than £60,000 during the year.					
Four Circuit Ministers live in properties wholly owned by the Circuit. Expenses totalling £879 (2020: £7,865) were reimbursed to trustees.					
The Trustees consider they are the key management and the Circuit Ministers are remunerated. The total compensation received including benefits is £119,045 (2020: £130,313).					
5.	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR			2021	2020
				£	£
	The net movement in funds for the year is stated after charging:				
	Audit fee			3,205	3,109
In common with other small entities of our size and nature we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of our financial statements.					
6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS Year ended 31 August 2021				Freehold property (manse)
					£
	COST				
	Balance at 1st September 2020				2,749,900
	Revaluations				463,100
	Balance at 31st August 2021				3,213,000
	DEPRECIATION				
	Balance at 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021				-
	NET BOOK VALUE at 31st August 2021				3,213,000

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS/CONTINUED

6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS...../CONTINUED	Freehold property (manses)
	Year ended 31 August 2020	£
	COST	
	Balance at 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020	<u>2,749,900</u>
	DEPRECIATION	
	Balance at 1st September 2019 and 31st August 2020	-
	NET BOOK VALUE at 31st August 2020	<u>2,749,900</u>

GAINS AND LOSSES	Book Value @ 01.09.2021	Book Value @ 01.09.2020
	£	£
68 Melbourn Road, Royston	623,500	488,300
12 Moss Drive, Haslingfield	566,500	565,400
37 Maids Causeway, Cambridge	1,180,000	1,028,000
1a Radegund Road, Cambridge	843,000	668,200
	<u>3,213,000</u>	<u>2,749,900</u>

The properties were revalued by the trustees this year with reference to the relevant sources. The values are fair value based on open market value.

7.	INVESTMENTS	2021	2020
		£	£
	Circuit Finance Board managed fund	1,950	1,977
	2 Mowlam Close, Impington	722,000	668,200
	Investment account	63,484	53,256
		<u>787,434</u>	<u>723,433</u>

GAINS AND LOSSES YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021	Book Value @ 01.09.2020	Additions	Gains / (Losses)	Revaluation	Book Value @ 31.08.2021
	£	£	£	£	£
2 Mowlam Close, Impington	668,200	-	-	53,800	722,000
Circuit Finance Board managed fund	1,977	9	(36)	-	1,950
Investment account	53,256	844	9,384	-	63,484
	<u>723,433</u>	<u>853</u>	<u>9,348</u>	<u>53,800</u>	<u>787,434</u>

GAINS AND LOSSES YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020	Book Value @ 01.09.2019	Additions	Gains / (Losses)	Book Value @ 31.08.2020
	£	£	£	£
2 Mowlam Close, Impington	668,200	-	-	668,200
Circuit Finance Board managed fund	1,947	12	18	1,977
Investment account	52,036	1,220	-	53,256
	<u>722,183</u>	<u>1,232</u>	<u>18</u>	<u>723,433</u>

The properties were revalued by the trustees this year with reference to the relevant sources. The values are fair value based on open market value.

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8	CREDITORS	2021	2020
	Due within one year:	£	£
	Assessment income	50,000	50,000
	Audit fee accrual	2,850	2,825
	Other accruals	715	1,158
		<u>53,565</u>	<u>53,983</u>

9.	RESTRICTED FUNDS	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried forward
	Year ended 31st August 2021	£	£	£	£	£
	Youth Work	6,959	8	4,110	-	2,857
	Harry Jackson Fund	16,808	18	4,164	-	12,662
	Venture FX	4,871	5	2,000	(2,876)	-
	Manse Accounts	3,504	4	8,298	4,790	-
		<u>32,142</u>	<u>35</u>	<u>18,572</u>	<u>1,914</u>	<u>15,519</u>

	RESTRICTED FUNDS	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried forward
	Year ended 31st August 2020	£	£	£	£	£
	Youth Work	13,710	-	6,751	-	6,959
	Harry Jackson Fund	16,808	-	-	-	16,808
	Venture FX	11,271	9,699	16,099	-	4,871
	Manse Accounts	11,451	-	7,947	-	3,504
		<u>53,240</u>	<u>9,699</u>	<u>30,797</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>32,142</u>

Youth work - supporting youth work in the Cambridge Area.

Harry Jackson Fund - supports capital projects in the churches.

Venture FX - supports a range of projects in Cottenham with the community and other local churches.

Manse Accounts - provides funds for maintaining the manse.

10.	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	Year ended 31st August 2021	£	£	£
	Tangible fixed assets	3,213,000	-	3,213,000
	Investments	787,434	-	787,434
	Net current assets	423,784	15,519	439,303
		<u>4,424,218</u>	<u>15,519</u>	<u>4,439,737</u>

	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
	Year ended 31st August 2020	£	£	£
	Tangible fixed assets	2,749,900	-	2,749,900
	Investments	723,433	-	723,433
	Net current assets	472,284	32,142	504,426
		<u>3,945,617</u>	<u>32,142</u>	<u>3,977,759</u>

11. RELATED PARTIES

The Methodist Church is a related party and during the year a contribution or levy of £21,755 (2020: £12,515) was paid to it out of the capital receipts received by the Circuit.

The Leys is a related party and during the year a donation was received of £105 (2020: £105).

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12. RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2021	2020
	£	£
Net movement in funds	461,978	122,666
Adjustments for:		
Deduct: (Gains)/losses on revaluation of fixed assets	(9,348)	(18)
Deduct: Interest and rents from investments	(18,949)	(20663)
Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(418)	1,183
(Increase)/ decrease in debtors	-	2,250
Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>433,263</u>	<u>105,418</u>