

CAMBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

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TRUSTEES (Circuit Stewards)

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

Steve Acklam (Senior Steward)
Margaret Wilson (resigned November 2022)
Ruth Levine
James Hindley (Steward) (appointed June 2022)
Elsie Salmon

CIRCUIT MINISTERS

The Reverend Colin Smith (Superintendent and Chair) (retired August 2022)
Deacon Ian Murray
The Reverend Alison Walker (relocated August 2022)
The Reverend Charity Nzegwu
The Reverend Rose Westwood (Superintendent and Chair)
(appointed September 2022)
The Reverend Jenny Pathmarajah (appointed September 2022)

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FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES

The Trustees present their annual report together with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2022.

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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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES/CONTINUED

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

During the year all churches in the Circuit were able to open for worship, with Zoom technology employed where feasible to enable remote access to services for those still nervous about Covid, or who were simply too unwell to attend in person. It is wonderful to report that it was therefore possible to hold the major seasonal celebrations including Christmas and Easter in Circuit buildings. At the same time, it is unfortunately true that congregations have yet to return to pre Covid levels, and are predicted to take considerable time and effort to do so. Technology continues to play an increasingly important role across the circuit enabling meetings in winter months, and supporting service delivery in more churches.

Mission

The Circuit Leadership Team continued to evaluate need & performance against key priorities in the areas of Mission, Inclusion, Discipleship, Buildings, Staffing & Safeguarding. The interim Mission Plan which was agreed in 2020/21 based on these priority areas continued to be the reference point for Circuit activity through to September 2022.

When the new Superintendent joins on September 1st, she will instigate a broadscale strategic review leading to possible changes to this priority list, or the priority of individual focus areas within it.

The foodbank distribution centre at Chesterton stayed open during much of the pandemic lockdowns. The Deacon's role has been essential to the growth of provision in partnership with the Cambridge City Foodbank.

Buildings

Fundraising for the provision of a social enterprise community café working in partnership with the New Meaning Foundation continued, and appropriate monies were secured to enable the project to proceed.

The remaining part of the Histon development - updating the toilet area - remains paused until such time as the Stewards feel the Church is fully operational and generating necessary levels of income.

Completion of the planned refurbishment of Royston Methodist Church, has not been possible, as estimates to complete the project were significantly higher than expected. The church is working to adapt plans to be within what can be afforded, with the work being carried out in 3 stages.

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Staffing

The existing Superintendent sat down from August 2022. At the same time one of the full time Presbyters moved to become Chaplain to Kent College. The very significant effort of the Circuit Stewards and all the members of the Circuit Invitation Committee was rewarded by successfully identifying and appointing a new Superintendent and a part-time Presbyterian to start from September 2022. During the year the reappointment of the Deacon for a further three-year period from September 2023 was also confirmed.

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 Anglian 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 Church Highlights

For Wesley 2021/22 was a time of rebuilding the activities of the church, as members started returning and social activities like coffee after Sunday worship were re-established. House groups restarted and a Monday afternoon study session looking at the Gospel of Mark was regularly attended by 25+ members. We celebrated the ministry of our retiring Superintendent Minister and look forward to welcoming a new Superintendent in the new Methodist year.

During the year Chesterton's worshipping community began to restore itself after the disruption of Covid-19. The use of the premises by partner charities has increased and the site is now busier than ever before. The work of the Foodbank continues to grow with increasing numbers of vouchers issued by the Deacon. Funding for the next stage of redevelopment was completed.

Histon was pleased to have their in-person Christmas Market again in 2021, and also to host a Christmas Tree Festival which was part of a village Christmas weekend, and brought many local people into our building for the first time. The Wednesday Coffee Morning increased in popularity, offering a welcome space for all, providing friendship and support. It was good to see young Mums returning after Covid restrictions lifted. The premises were used by more local community support groups, also a monthly Farmers Market.

At Castle Street during 2021/22 more activities that ceased during lockdown resumed - a monthly, jointly-organised ecumenical evening service, with preachers and congregation drawn from a number of denominations; a weekly coffee morning and exercise class; and an in-person fellowship group for students once a week during university term time. Relations were also built up with friends from around the circuit, to include a joint 'Walking with Micah' conversation event centred on social justice, hosted by Histon church. Young people and their families from Castle Street and other circuit churches continued to meet outdoors for 'Wild Sunday' once a month, facilitated by Deacon Ian Murray.

Haslingfield hosted a Zoom coffee morning each week and we also shared Zoom worship with Castle Street and Histon. A joint outdoor service for Harvest was shared with the Parish Church. There was an outdoor Carol Sing and a Christingle Trail for the families organized by the two Churches at Christmas, and an Easter Trail round the village for Holy Week. There was an outdoor Easter morning service and, as rules allowed, morning worship inside the Church with socially distanced seating. A Christmas Fair was held at the end of November 2021 in the Church Grounds. The Pop-up Coffee Shop restarted during the Summer, setting up outside in the Church Garden and this proved very popular. The Church was regularly used by the Pre-School, once they were allowed to meet.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The General Fund (unrestricted) showed a deficit of £26,678 before gains on investments (2021: deficit of 26,050).

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 (2021: £NIL).

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

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES/CONTINUED

FINANCIAL REVIEW - continued

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

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 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 2021/22**Trustees**Circuit Stewards

Mr Steve Acklam (Senior Steward)
Mrs Margaret Wilson (Steward) (resigned November 2022)
Dr R Levine (Steward)
Mr James Hindley (Steward) (appointed June 2022)
Miss Elsie Salmon (Steward)

Representatives from the Circuit

Dr Paul Ashley (Treasurer)
Mrs Wendy Timbs (Haslingfield)
Mrs Joyce Goodall (Royston)
Mr Geoff Batty (Wesley)
Dr Phil Dale (Haslingfield)
Mr Gordon Heald (Sawston)
Mr Ross McEwan (Cambourne)
Mrs Frances Pascoe (Orwell)
Mr Chris Rayson (Castle Street)
Miss Phyllis Salmon (Haslingfield)
Mrs Diana Tebbit (Toft)
Mrs Rosemary Watson (Histon)
Mrs Judy Wynn (Local Preachers)

Mr David Mackenzie (Toft)
Rev. Dr Peter Graves (resigned August 2022)
Rev. Charles Mather (resigned April 2022)
Mr Adrian MacKintosh (Chesterton) (appointed September 2022)
Miss K Coles (Histon)
Mr John Wyborn (Histon)
Ms Margaret Wilson
Mr Michael Abbs (MHA) (resigned June 2022)
Dr Nicholas Keep (Royston)
Mrs Mary Ratcliffe (resigned January 2022)
Ms Lynda Meharry (resigned September 2022)
Mr Angus Campbell (Wesley)
Mr Mike Sharpe (Castle Street)

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES/CONTINUED

LIST OF CHARITY TRUSTEES 2021/22 - continued**Key Management Personnel**Circuit Staff

Rev Colin Smith (Superintendent and Chair, Wesley and Orwell) (retired August 2022)

Deacon Ian Murray (Wesley & Chesterton)

Revd Alison Walker (Castle St, Haslingfield, Histon, Toft) (moved away August 2022)

Revd Charity Nzegwu (Royston, Haslingfield and Toft)

Revd Rose Westwood (Superintendent and Chair) (appointed September 2022)

Revd Jenny Pathmarajah (Histon and Castle Street) (appointed September 2022)

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 15 MARCH 2023

and signed on their behalf by:


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DR P ASHLEY
TRUSTEE

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

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 2022 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 2022, 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.

AUDITORS' RESPONSIBILITIES FOR THE AUDIT OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

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 a Report of the Auditors 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.

THE EXTENT TO WHICH OUR PROCEDURES ARE CAPABLE OF DETECTING IRREGULARITIES, INCLUDING FRAUD

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:

The objectives of our audit in respect of fraud, are to identify and assess the risks of material misstatement due to fraud, through designing and implementing appropriate responses to those assessed risks and to respond appropriately to fraud or suspected fraud identified during the audit. However, the primary responsibility for the prevention and detection of fraud rests with both the management and those charged with governance of the charity. Our procedures include the following:

- We have considered the nature of the industry and sector, control environment, laws and regulations and business performance, of the charity, including the charity remuneration policies. We considered that the most significant laws and regulations are Charities Act 2011 and FRS102.
- We have enquired with management in regards to their own assessment of the risks of irregularities, including fraud. We also enquired of management and those charged with governance as to any known instances of non-compliance or suspected non-compliance with laws and regulations.
- We have obtained relevant documentation and representations in order to form an opinion on potential irregularities, including fraud.
- We considered the opportunities and incentives that may exist within the organisation for fraud.
- Based on this understanding, we designed specific audit procedures to identify instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations listed above, including obtaining additional corroborative evidence as required.

There are inherent limitations in the audit procedures described above, not least as sampling is used under International Auditing Standards, therefore not all transactions are reviewed. Therefore there is a risk we will not detect all irregularities including those leading to a material misstatement in the financial statements or non-compliance with regulations. The risk of not detecting a material misstatement due to fraud is also higher than the risk of not detecting one resulting from error, as fraud may involve deliberate concealment by, for example, forgery, collusion, omission or intentional misrepresentation.

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

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 Report of the Auditors.

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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21st March 2023

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		Circuit Model		Circuit Model		Circuit Model		Circuit Model		Circuit Model	
		General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund	General Fund	Trust Fund
		2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2022	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021	2021
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
INCOME													
Income from charitable activities:													
Assessment or share		219,480	-	-	-	219,480	-	194,703	-	-	-	194,703	-
Grants	2	18,105	-	-	-	18,105	-	18,105	-	-	-	18,105	-
Other income		6,160	-	-	-	6,160	-	2,032	-	-	-	2,032	-
Investment income:													
Interest and investment income	3	419	3,112	-	-	3,531	-	162	2,277	35	-	2,474	-
Lettings		24,896	-	-	-	24,896	-	17,426	-	-	-	17,426	-
TOTAL INCOME		269,060	3,112	-	-	272,172	-	232,428	2,277	35	-	234,740	-
EXPENDITURE													
Expenditure on charitable activities:													
Stipends, salaries, NIC and pension costs	4	183,153	-	-	-	183,153	-	157,610	-	-	-	157,610	-
District assessment		47,238	-	-	-	47,238	-	54,021	-	-	-	54,021	-
Methodist Church Fund		-	18,657	-	-	18,657	-	-	21,755	-	-	21,755	-
Telephone, travel and office		18,698	1,228	-	2,705	22,631	2,705	19,128	205	2,952	-	22,285	-
Insurance, utilities etc.		16,404	-	-	-	16,404	-	15,547	-	-	-	15,547	-
Maintenance and rental of manse		30,245	-	-	-	30,245	-	9,622	-	15,620	-	25,242	-
Grants and donations		-	-	-	-	-	-	2,550	-	-	-	2,550	-
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		295,738	19,885	2,705	2,705	318,328	2,705	258,478	21,960	18,572	-	299,010	-
Net income/(expenditure) before gains/(losses)		(26,678)	(16,773)	(2,705)	(2,705)	(46,156)	(2,705)	(26,050)	(19,683)	(18,537)	(18,537)	(64,270)	(64,270)
Gains and (losses) on revaluation of property		223,000	41,500	-	-	264,500	-	463,100	53,800	-	-	516,900	-
Gains and (losses) on revaluation of investment assets	7	-	(4,086)	-	-	(4,086)	-	-	9,348	-	-	9,348	-
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) BEFORE TRANSFERS		196,322	20,641	(2,705)	(2,705)	214,258	(2,705)	437,050	43,465	(18,537)	-	461,978	-
Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-	(1,914)	-	1,914	-	-	-
NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS		196,322	20,641	(2,705)	(2,705)	214,258	(2,705)	435,136	43,465	(16,623)	-	461,978	-
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS													
TOTAL FUNDS AT 1ST SEPTEMBER 2021		3,895,400	528,818	15,519	15,519	4,439,737	15,519	3,460,264	485,353	32,142	32,142	3,977,759	3,977,759
TOTAL FUNDS AT 31ST AUGUST 2022		4,091,722	549,459	12,814	12,814	4,653,995	12,814	3,895,400	528,818	15,519	15,519	4,439,737	4,439,737

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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BALANCE SHEET

	Notes	2022		2021	
		£	£	£	£
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible fixed assets	6		3,436,000		3,213,000
Investments	7		826,163		787,434
TOTAL FIXED ASSETS			<u>4,262,163</u>		<u>4,000,434</u>
CURRENT ASSETS					
Central Finance Board - Deposit Accounts		425,942		489,043	
Cash at bank and in hand		10,354		3,825	
Debtors	8	6,633		-	
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>442,929</u>		<u>492,868</u>	
CREDITORS: amounts falling due within one year	9	<u>51,097</u>		<u>53,565</u>	
NET CURRENT ASSETS			391,832		439,303
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES			<u>4,653,995</u>		<u>4,439,737</u>
NET ASSETS	11		<u>4,653,995</u>		<u>4,439,737</u>
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
Unrestricted income funds			4,641,181		4,424,218
Restricted income funds	10		12,814		15,519
TOTAL CHARITY FUNDS			<u>4,653,995</u>		<u>4,439,737</u>

Approved by the Trustees on 15 MARCH 2023

and signed on their behalf by:

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 REVEREND R WESTWOOD
 TRUSTEE

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 DR P ASHLEY
 TRUSTEE

The notes on pages 12 to 17 form part of these financial statements.

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS

	Notes	2022 £	2021 £
CASH USED IN OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
Net cash used in operating activities	13	180,816	432,312
CASH FLOWS FROM INVESTING ACTIVITIES			
Interest received		3,531	2,474
Lettings income		24,896	17,426
Additions to investments		(1,315)	(853)
Revaluation of properties		(264,500)	(516,900)
NET CASH PROVIDED BY INVESTING ACTIVITIES		<u>(237,388)</u>	<u>(497,853)</u>
CHANGE IN CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS IN THE YEAR		(56,572)	(65,541)
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE BEGINNING OF THE YEAR		<u>492,868</u>	<u>558,409</u>
CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS AT THE END OF THE YEAR		<u>436,296</u>	<u>492,868</u>

FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST AUGUST 2022

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 2022	(Unrestricted) Circuit Model			2022
		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 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>

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3.	INTEREST AND INVESTMENT INCOME Year ended 31st August 2022	(Unrestricted) Circuit Model			2022
		General Fund	Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£	£
	Interest on deposits	419	3,112	-	3,531

	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

4.	TRUSTEE AND STAFF REMUNERATION The staff costs were:			2022	2021
		Trustees (Circuit Ministers) and support staff		£	£
	Salaries			121,292	119,045
	Social security costs			15,243	10,285
	Pension costs			29,020	28,280
	Relocation costs			17,598	-
				<u>183,153</u>	<u>157,610</u>
	Average weekly number of staff employed during the year:				
	Full time			4	4
	Part time			1	1
				<u>5</u>	<u>5</u>

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 £1102 (2021: £879) 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 £150,312 (2021: £147,325).

5.	NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS FOR THE YEAR	2022	2021
		£	£
	The net movement in funds for the year is stated after charging:		
	Audit fee	3,422	3,205

In common with other small entities of our size and nature we use our auditors to assist with the preparation of our financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS/CONTINUED

6.	TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Freehold property (manse)
	Year ended 31st August 2022	£
	COST	
	Balance at 1st September 2021	3,213,000
	Revaluations	223,000
	Balance at 31st August 2022	<u>3,436,000</u>
	DEPRECIATION	
	Balance at 1st September 2021 and 31st August 2022	-
	NET BOOK VALUE at 31st August 2022	<u>3,436,000</u>

TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS	Freehold property (manse)
Year ended 31st August 2021	£
COST	
Balance at 1st September 2020	2,749,900
Revaluations	463,100
Balance at 31st August 2021	<u>3,213,000</u>
DEPRECIATION	
Balance at 1st September 2020 and 31st August 2021	-
NET BOOK VALUE at 31st August 2021	<u>3,213,000</u>

GAINS AND LOSSES	Book Value @ 01.09.2022	Book Value @ 01.09.2021
Year ended 31st August 2022	£	£
68 Melbourn Road, Royston	663,500	623,500
12 Moss Drive, Haslingfield	593,000	566,500
37 Maids Causeway, Cambridge	1,251,500	1,180,000
1a Radegund Road, Cambridge	928,000	843,000
	<u>3,436,000</u>	<u>3,213,000</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	2022	2021
		£	£
	Circuit Finance Board managed fund	1,676	1,950
	2 Mowlam Close, Impington	763,500	722,000
	Investment account	60,987	63,484
		<u>826,163</u>	<u>787,434</u>

GAINS AND LOSSES	Book Value @ 01.09.2021	Net Interest and Charges	Gains/(Losses)	Revaluation	Book Value @ 31.08.2022
Year ended 31st August 2022	£	£	£	£	£
2 Mowlam Close, Impington	722,000	-	-	41,500	763,500
Circuit Finance Board managed fund	1,950	11	(285)	-	1,676
Investment account	63,484	1,304	(3,801)	-	60,987
	<u>787,434</u>	<u>1,315</u>	<u>(4,086)</u>	<u>41,500</u>	<u>826,163</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS/CONTINUED

7.	INVESTMENTS - continued					
	GAINS AND LOSSES	Book Value				Book Value
	Year ended 31st August 2021	@		Gains/	@	
		01.09.2020	Additions	(Losses) Revaluation	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>

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.

8.	DEBTORS	2022	2021
		£	£
	Accrued income	6,633	-

9.	CREDITORS	2022	2021
		£	£
	Due within one year:		
	Assessment income	46,995	50,000
	Audit fee accrual	2,900	2,850
	Other accruals	1,202	715
		<u>51,097</u>	<u>53,565</u>

10.	RESTRICTED FUNDS Year ended 31st August 2022	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried forward
		£	£	£	£	£
	Youth Work	2,857	-	(2,705)	-	152
	Harry Jackson Fund	12,662	-	-	-	12,662
		<u>15,519</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(2,705)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>12,814</u>

	RESTRICTED FUNDS Year ended 31st August 2021	Brought forward	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Carried forward
		£	£	£	£	£
	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's 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>

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's Accounts - provides funds for maintaining the manse's.

11.	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS Year ended 31st August 2022	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Total Funds
		£	£	£
	Tangible fixed assets	3,436,000	-	3,436,000
	Investments	826,163	-	826,163
	Net current assets	379,018	12,814	391,832
		<u>4,641,181</u>	<u>12,814</u>	<u>4,653,995</u>

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11.	ANALYSIS OF NET ASSETS BETWEEN FUNDS - continued Year ended 31st August 2021	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Total Funds £
	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>
12.	RELATED PARTIES The Methodist Church is a related party and during the year a contribution or levy of £18,657 (2021: £21,755) 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 (2021: £105).			
13.	RECONCILIATION OF NET MOVEMENT IN FUNDS TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES			
		2022 £	2021 £	
	Net movement in funds	214,258	461,978	
	Adjustments for:			
	Deduct: (Gains)/losses on revaluation of fixed assets	4,086	(9,348)	
	Deduct: Interest and rents from investments	(28,427)	(19,900)	
	Increase/(decrease) in creditors	(2,468)	(418)	
	(Increase)/ decrease in debtors	(6,633)	-	
	Net cash provided by operating activities	<u>180,816</u>	<u>432,312</u>	