

TEIGNBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales · Charity number 1134246

Details

Other names	NEWTON ABBOT METHODIST CIRCUIT
Status	Registered
Legal form	Other
Registered	2010-02-10
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE PURPOSES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH ARE AND SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN SINCE THE DATE OF UNION THE ADVANCEMENT OF -(A) THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DOCTRINAL STANDARDS AND THE DISCIPLINE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH;(B) ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE TIME BEING OF ANY CONNEXIONAL, DISTRICT, CIRCUIT, LOCAL OR OTHER ORGANISATION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH;(C) ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE TIME BEING OF ANY SOCIETY OR INSTITUTION SUBSIDIARY OR ANCILLARY TO THE METHODIST CHURCH;(D) ANY PURPOSE FOR THE TIME BEING OF ANY CHARITY BEING A CHARITY SUBSIDIARY OR ANCILLARY TO THE METHODIST CHURCH.

Activities: Religious and community work

Classification

- **How:** Acts As An Umbrella Or Resource Body
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

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

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£310,402	£384,251	-	-
2024-08-31	£448,551	£401,767	-	-
2023-08-31	£333,322	£319,679	-	-
2022-08-31	£250,189	£348,961	-	-
2021-08-31	£214,112	£292,523	-	-
2020-08-31	£205,667	£336,963	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev KEVIN PETER HOOKE	Chair	
ALEXANDER WRIGHT McFEAT		2015-09-01
ANDREW DAVID SINDEN		
Agnes McKee McFEAT		2016-01-01
Alan Albert Johnston		2020-03-10
Andrew Russell Parsons		2020-03-10
Ann Margaret BERRIDGE		2016-01-01
Ann Rosemary Golpin		2024-04-01
Arthur James Pengelly		2024-09-01
Arthur Michael BARRETT ROGERS		2019-09-01
CAROL ANN MORGAN		2015-09-01
Christian Dafydd Huw Vincent Canning		2020-03-10
Duncan Alexander KNIGHT		2021-03-16
Edward John STEPHENSON		
Geoffrey Martin Kenneth HOBBS		2025-09-15
Gillian Elsie Hardy		2020-03-10
Helen Bell		2024-09-01
JEAN FRANCIS		2020-03-10
JOHN WALTON		2017-09-01
Jane Billing		2025-03-01
Jean Lilian Ann SABINE		2022-03-01
John Harrison		2023-06-20
Kay Elizabeth FICE		2020-09-01
Margaret Helen VOSPER		2016-09-01
Maria Jeanne ALSOP		
Marianne Patricia BARRETT ROGERS		2019-09-01
Nichola Mary QUAINANCE		2022-03-01

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Patricia Gladys TIDBALL		2022-03-01
Patricia May STEPHENSON		
Rev Gill Margaret DANIEL		2017-09-01
Rev MALCOLM JOHN BENTON		
Rev Paul Stephen WEIR		2017-09-01
Rev Vincent Graham CANNING		2012-09-01
Rosemarie Ann DUNGEY		
Rosemary Quin		2022-09-01
SHARON ANN HURLOW		2017-03-01
STEPHEN JOHN HARRIS		2011-09-09
STEPHEN PAUL MAJOR		
Sara Crouch		2024-09-01
Serena Anne WALCOT		
Sharon Mildred CANNING		2012-09-01
Sheila Margaret Bendall		2023-03-21

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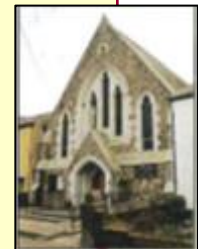
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**TEIGNBRIDGE
METHODIST
CIRCUIT**



**Annual
Report
2024/25**



Teignbridge Methodist Circuit – 2024/25



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'Trustees serving during the year with specific responsibilities were as follows'

Chair: Rev Kevin Peter Hooke
Secretary: Ms Sharon Ann Hurlow
Treasurer: Mr John Harrison

Full list of Trustees

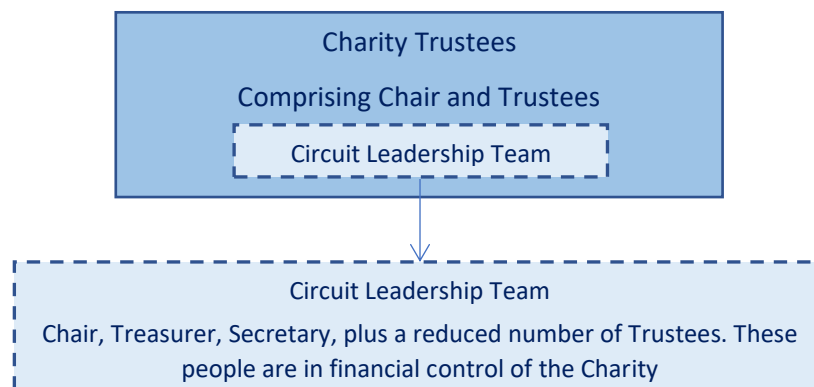
Maria Jeanne	Alsop
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John	Harrison
Jane Ended	Holmes
Geoffrey Martin Kenneth Since 15 Sep 2025	Hobbs
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Sharon Ann	Hurlow
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Duncan Alexander	Knight
Stephen Paul	Major
Agnes McKee	McFeat
Alexander Wright	McFeat
Carol Ann	Morgan
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Arthur James Since 1 Sep 2024	Pengelly
Nichola Mary	Quaintance
Rosemary	Quin
Jean Lilian Ann	Sabine
Andrew David	Sinden
Edward John	Stephenson
Patricia May	Stephenson
Patsy Gladys	Tidball
Margaret Helen	Vosper
Serena Anne	Walcot
John	Walton
Paul Stephen Ended	Weir
Anne-Marie Ended	Whiting

Financial Responsibility

A sub set of the Trustees are set apart to form a group of people who are in financial control of the Charity, with responsibility for the day to day finances, banking and handling of money and assets. The sub set is known locally as “The Circuit Leadership Team”.

Trustees who are not part of the sub set cannot personally, or by their own actions, access or give any direct instructions about Charity money or assets. They can only influence the work of the Charity through full meetings of the Trustees where decisions are by majority vote, whereupon the decisions are passed to the Circuit Leadership Team for implementation.



Objectives and Activities

We understand that we are not engaging in our mission, but rather participating in God’s mission to all people, in partnership with others and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

We also understand that mission is all that we are sent to do by Christ. It includes not only evangelism but also service to our communities, pursuit of social justice and concern for the environment. We are to be signs of and sharers in the Kingdom of God and its values.

We understand that we live with the tensions of being both an inherited church and a 'discipleship movement shaped for mission' and that we need to work creatively with the opportunities and challenges this brings.

As a Circuit we believe that it is therefore our responsibility:

- To manage our resources strategically and prayerfully, to maximise their effectiveness;
- To support the churches in fulfilling their own mission strategies and objectives.

To do so we will:

- Conduct periodic Circuit Reviews to determine the greatest opportunities for growth and outreach

- Maintain appropriate levels of ordained and lay staffing, seeking grant funding as necessary, and deploying them in line with the identified opportunities for growth
- Maintain a balanced Circuit Budget
- Develop appropriate strategic ecumenical partnerships at Circuit level
- Foster Circuit identity and cohesion through Circuit Services and the sharing of information
- Work in partnership with neighbouring Circuits to use resources and expertise efficiently and effectively
- Encourage and support differing expressions of worship alongside traditional forms
- Group churches in ways which encourage the most effective partnerships between them for mission
- Encourage churches to work closely with their own ecumenical partners
- Provide Circuit opportunities for growth in discipleship and missional understanding
- Develop and maintain relationships with other services and organisations serving the wellbeing of our communities

Achievements and Performance —2024/25

During the year 2024-25 Teignbridge Methodist Circuit continued to provide ministerial leadership to its churches. It gave a significant grant as a partner in the ROC project at Dawlish and one smaller donation to support Ivybridge YFC.

In September 2024, the Circuit welcomed Rev. Helen Bell as minister to the coastal section on a part-time basis, and Sharon Hurlow took over ministry at Bovey Tracey Methodist Church, as well as taking on other duties. The Superintendent Minister also became the Superintendent of the neighbouring South Devon Circuit at the same time, alongside his role as one of the Deputy Chairs of District.

In the autumn of 2024, the South Devon Circuit Meeting voted to make an approach to merge the two Circuits from September 2026, and the Teignbridge Circuit Meeting then in Spring 2025 formally agreed to explore the practicalities and potential of such a merger. The two Circuit Leadership Teams have then been meeting regularly to work at this. Whatever the eventual outcome, there are now joint staff and Local Preachers'/Worship Leaders' meetings.

The Spring 2025 meeting of Church Stewards and Treasurers continued to recognise the financial pressures on the local churches and, as well as agreeing the budget for 2025-26, appointed a sustainability group to look at creating greater viability in the Circuit.

During the year, the Circuit maintained the weekly Sunday Zoom service, which continued as an embedded part of the Circuit's life and witness, enabling a number of people to

attend worship at times when they cannot get to a church building. It also maintained its Circuit plan, allocating Local Arrangement services as equitably as possible across the churches (recognising that some already take responsibility for parts of their worshipping life), and encouraging the skills of local church members in organising and taking part in Local Arrangements. The Circuit continues to encourage and support developing ecumenical connections in many places, but particularly at Ashburton, Bishopsteignton and Ipplepen, alongside the formal L.E.P. with the United Reform Church at The Avenue .

The Circuit has also managed its properties, both those used for Manses and one that is rented out. It continues to use the revenue from the latter to support its ongoing activities. The Circuit continued to take seriously its responsibilities in safeguarding and GDPR matters and to support its Churches to do the same. The Circuit continues to review its Safeguarding policy annually in line with the changing requirements and guidance of the Methodist Church, engages in an annual Safeguarding audit, and supports its local Churches in several ways:

- providing templates for their own policies,
- overseeing DBS and training records,
- offering templates for role descriptions,
- the availability of the Circuit Safeguarding Officer for advice.

In line with Methodist requirements, all those leading worship on the Circuit plan (worship leaders and preachers) have undertaken advanced safeguarding training (either through the Methodist Church or at an equivalent level in the case of some of our regular visitors from our partner denominations).

Public Benefit

Throughout the year 2024/25 the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have acted accordingly. They are committed to continue to do so in the future.

Plans for the Future

The Circuit will seek to support those churches as they develop projects for which capital reserve money has been earmarked —such as the building works at Buckfast Chapel. The Sustainability Group will continue to review the viability of churches across the Circuit, seek to encourage change, and make recommendations to the Circuit meeting. The Circuit will continue to explore the possibility of a merger with the South Devon Circuit, and go through the necessary processes to report to District Policy Committee in February 2026. Ongoing missional planning for the future will need to be reviewed in the light of the merger decision but in the meantime the Circuit will continue to encourage Churches to engage with their local communities and keep an overview of the needs of the area.

Reserves Policy

Our Reserves Policy is to maintain a General Fund value sufficient:

- To hold a reserve for the maintenance of our team of presbyteral ministers of £86,500 to pay for the stipends of two presbyters, including employment costs.
- To hold a reserve for our property maintenance of £ 50,000 for the four manses and a fifth residential property owned by the Circuit.
- We hold a reserve of 50% to cover other running costs, which in the year to 31st August 2025 amounted to £ 72,700

The reserves at year end were set at £ 209,200



Kevin P. Hooke, Superintendent Minister
10th February 2026

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Circuit No 37/28

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2025

	Note	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trust (Designated) £	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2024-25 £	Total 2023-24 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	4	13,589				13,589	140
Income from monetary investments		7,828	7,039	8,632	599	24,098	26540
Income from investment properties	5	12,010				12,010	26598
Assessments on Churches		231,947				231,947	212415
Loan Repayment		0				0	16077
Grants received		0				0	0
Other charitable income	6	3,760				3,760	3777
Sale of Buckfastleigh Methodist Church			20,000			20,000	162982
Miscellaneous Income		4,998				4,998	23
Total income		274,132	27,039	8,632	599	310,402	448,551
Expenditure							
Grants and donations	7	13,240				13,240	69,486
Buckfast Church	8		28,917			28,917	69,486
Salaries and associated costs	9	208,587				208,587	162,111
Property expenses	10	36,704				36,704	42,319
Connexional Funds		3,560				3,560	13,164
District Assessment		61,419				61,419	53,560
TMCP Levy			7,504	7,901		15,406	41,193
Office expenses	11	5,081	510	537		6,128	4,955
Other outgoings	12	9,690				9,690	14,379
Independent Examiner's Fee		600				600	600
Total charitable expenditure		338,882	36,931	8,438	0	384,251	471,253
Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		0	0	0	0	0	0
Gains/(losses) on investment properties		0	0	0	0	0	21,750
Net income/(expenditure)		-64,749	-9,892	194	599	-73,849	-952
Transfers between funds		48,294		-48,294		0	0
Other gains/(losses)		-300				-300	
Net movement in funds		-16,755	-9,892	-48,100	599	-74,149	-952
Total funds brought forward		1,581,484	156,886	165,190	14,311	1,917,871	1,849,337
Total funds carried forward		1,564,729	146,994	117,090	14,910	1,843,722	1,848,385

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Circuit No 37/28
Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2025

	Notes	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trusts (Designated) £	Designated Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2024/25 £	Totals 2023/24 £
Fixed Assets							
Circuit Manses & Equipment	13	1,008,296				1,008,296	1,008,296
Investment properties	14	346,750				346,750	346,750
Investments						0	0
Total fixed assets		1,355,046	0	0	0	1,355,046	1,355,046
Current Assets							
Debtors		17,300				17,300	13,612
Loans by the Circuit		0				0	0
Investments with TMCP			146,994	144,944		291,938	322,076
Central Finance Board Deposits		154,109			14,910	169,019	233,887
Cash at Bank and in hand		21,802				21,802	29,951
Total current assets		193,211	146,994	144,944	14,910	500,059	599,526
Current liabilities							
Creditors (due in under 1 year)		11,383				11,383	36,701
Grants payable within 2021/22						0	0
Total current liabilities		11,383	0	0	0	11,383	36,701
Net current assets/liabilities		181,828	146,994	144,944	14,910	488,676	562,825
Total assets less current liabilities		1,536,874	146,994	144,944	14,910	1,843,722	1,917,871
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)							
Grants payable after 2021/22						0	0
Loans to the Circuit						0	0
Net assets		1,536,874	146,994	144,944	14,910	1,843,722	1,917,871
Funds of the Circuit							
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,536,874				1,536,874	1,581,484
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)				144,944		144,944	165,190
Total Unrestricted Funds		1,536,874	0	144,944	0	1,681,818	1,746,674
Designated Funds			146,994			146,994	156,886
Restricted Funds	15				14,910	14,910	14,311
Endowment Funds						0	0
Total Funds		1,536,874	146,994	144,944	14,910	1,843,722	1,917,871

Signed
Circuit Treasurer


John Harrison

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Charity number 1134246**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31st August 2025, as set out on pages 9—13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)

As the charity 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 Charity'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

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

- (1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) The accounts do not accord with those records.

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

C.W. Lillington

Clare Lillington FMAAT
Raddon Station Hill
Chudleigh
Newton Abbot
TQ13 OEE

Dated: 13th February 2026

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit

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Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2025

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2015 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102—the Charities SORP (FRS102) (2019).

2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Circuit which are Unrestricted; the Circuit Model Trust Fund, which has wide purposes defined in Standing Orders and is categorised as Unrestricted and Restricted Funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no Endowment Funds.

3 Accounting policies

Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at fair value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis, to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Incoming Resources

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

Resources Expended

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

Grants

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

VAT

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

4 Donations & Legacies	2025	2024
Donations including gift aid	9,589	140
Gift for Church Repairs	4,000	0
Collection	0	0
Gift Aid Received	0	0
	13,589	140
5 Income from properties	2025	2024
4 Jacks Close	0	15,348
46 Kingsdown Crescent	10,200	9,950
Illesington Graveyard	1,810	1300
	12,010	26,598
6 Other charitable income	2025	2024
Publications	200	17
Connexional Funds	3,560	3,760
	3,760	3,777
7 Grants & Donations	2025	2024
ROC Dawlish Project	12,000	12,000
Buckfastleigh Chapel Lintels	0	30,869
Plymouth & Exeter District benevolent fund	140	140
Cuttack	100	
Ivybridge Youth For Christ bus	1,000	1,000
Corbyn Fund	0	9,400
	13,240	69,486
8 Buckfast Methodist Church	2025	New
Holne War Memorial	600	
Buckfast Chapel Ramp	9,317	
Buckfast Operating Costs	19,000	
<i>(Analysis started in 2024-25)</i>	28,917	

This note shows income and expenditure relating to Buckfast Methodist Church and Designated Funds held by Teignbridge Circuit. Buckfast Church have no TMCP account in their own name, and the activities are connected to funds from the Sale of assets from Buckfastleigh and Scoriton Chapels when they were known as Buckfastleigh Methodist Church

9 Paid employees	2025	2024
Staff costs incurred during the year were:		
Gross salaries and benefits in kind - Ministers	115,535	75,024
- Others	82,578	77,895
Travelling Expenses	10,474	9,192
	208,587	162,111

No employee was paid at a rate of more than £ 60,000 per annum

	2025	2024
Average number of full time equivalent employees	4.96	5

10 Property Expenses	2025	2024
Water rates	2,274	1,763
Council Tax	10,537	9,287
Manses	15,200	25,773
Insurance	4,350	4,228
Building surveys	975	0
Church repairs	0	0
Let properties	3,369	1,269
	36,705	42,319

11 Office Expenses	2025	2024
Telephone	3,032	3,031
Printing	584	584
Publications	984	182
Wages charges	480	480
TMCP Charges	1,047	679
Bank Charges	0	0
	6,127	4,955

12 Other outgoings	2025	2024
Supernumerary fees	1,755	2,114
Local Preachers Costs	36	0
Non Employee travel expenses	2,215	1,249
Training	1,486	907
Ilsington graveyard	885	720
Miscellaneous	1,263	1,304
Corbyn fund	0	0
Stationing, removal expenses etc	1,245	7,438
Apprentice levy	804	648
	9,690	14,379

13 Tangible Fixed Assets Cost**Manses**

	31/08/2025	Add/Disp	31/08/2024
35 Valley Close	130,000		130,000
135 Churchfields Drive	325,000		325,000
12 Moorlands Close	75,000		75,000
4 Jacks Close	478,296		478,296
	<u>1,008,296</u>		<u>1,008,296</u>

14 Investment Property

	Fair Value 31/08/2023	Fair Value 31/8/2024	Revaluation	Fair Value 31/8/2025
Dawlish	325,000	346,750	0	346,750
	<u>325,000</u>	<u>325,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>346,750</u>

15 Restricted Funds

Corbyn Fund

	As at 31/08/2025	Interest Allocated	Funds Expended	As at 31/08/2024
	14,910	599	0	14,311

16 Payments to Trustees

All of the paid employees are also trustees. There are 3 Presbyters, 1 lay minister, 1 local Lay Pastor in training (part time), 1 lay pastoral assistant (part time), and 1 administrator (part time). The administrator's cost is shared with a Circuit Church. Some supernumerary Ministers and Local Preachers are trustees who receive fees and /or expenses for taking services in the Circuit. No trustee is paid for services rendered in the capacity of a trustee. Expenses payments made to trustees are to reimburse expenditure incurred on behalf of the circuit

	2025 2025 £	2025 Number of Trustees	2024 £	2024 Number of Trustees
Supernumerary fees	970	3	1013.95	4
Travel	12,085	10	9,624	8
Other	476	4	4,503	4
	<u>13,531</u>		<u>15,141</u>	

17 Capital Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

At 31st August 2025 there are no capital commitments (Nil)

No contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2025 (Nil)

18 Fees for Examination of Accounts

	2025	2024
Examiners Fees	600	600

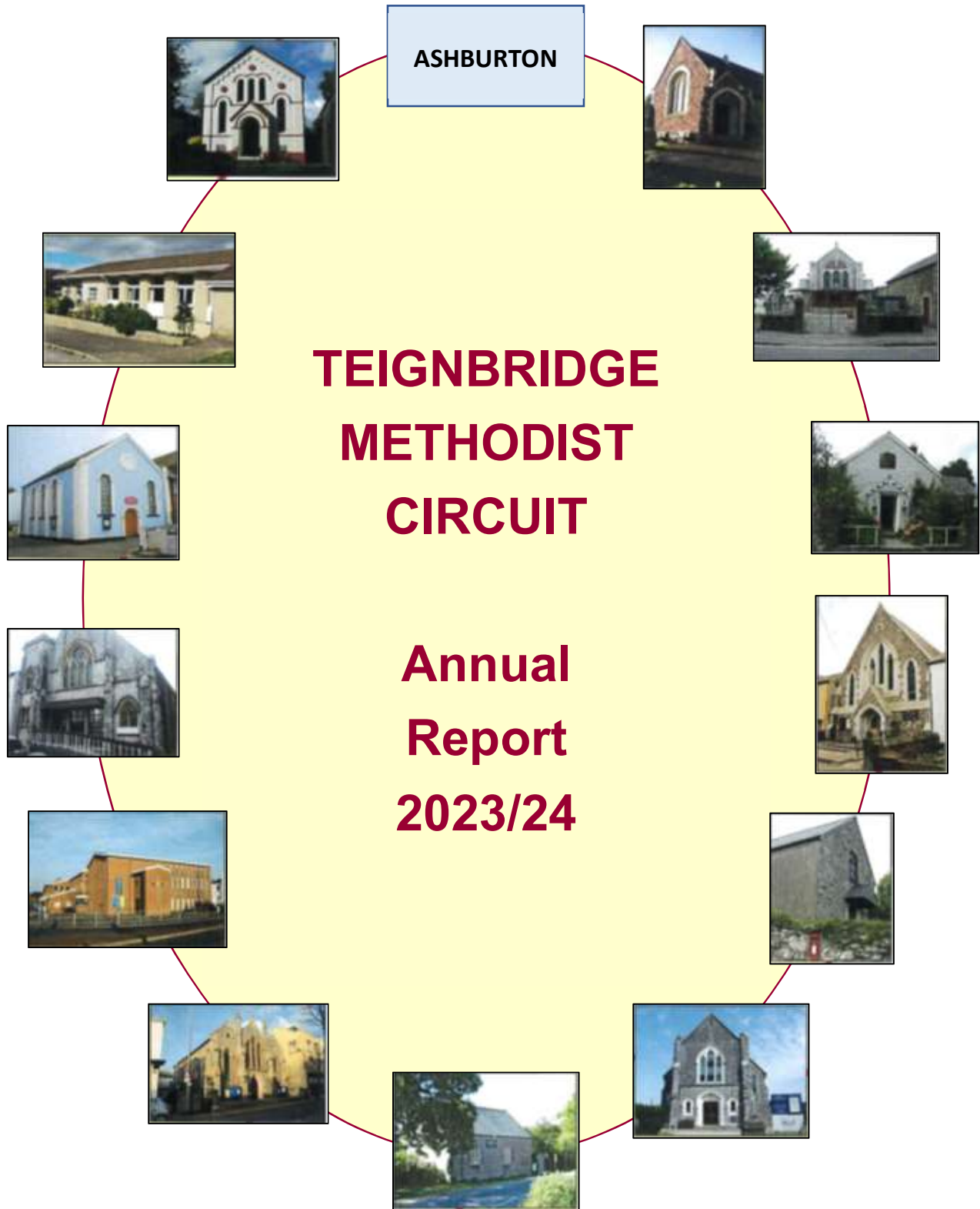
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Stephen John	Harris
John	Harrison
Jane	Holmes

Kevin Peter	Hooke
Sharon Ann	Hurlow
Alan	Johnston
Duncan	Knight
Stephen Paul	Major
Agnes	McFeat
Alexander Wright	McFeat
Carol Ann	Morgan
Andrew Russell	Parsons
Arthur Appointed 1/9/2024	Pengelly
Nicola	Quaintance
Rosemary	Quin
Jean	Sabine
Andrew David	Sinden
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Designated Funds

The proceeds of the Sale of Scoriton Church building and Buckfastleigh Church building have been passed to the Circuit. As the Methodist Church at Buckfastleigh did not close these funds are included in the Circuit accounts as being designated funds for the use of Buckfastleigh church. Buckfastleigh Methodist Church is now referred to as Buckfast Methodist Church. A designated column has been added into the SOFA and Balance Sheet.

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The reserves at year end were set at £ 198,700



Kevin P. Hooke, Superintendent Minister
15th June 2025

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Circuit No 24/28

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2024

	Note	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trust Designated £	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Total 2023-24 £	Total 2022-23 £
Income							
Donations and legacies	4	140				140	1,664
Income from monetary investments		10,370	6,179	9,180	811	26,540	15,945
Income from investment properties	5	26,598				26,598	10,170
Assessments on Churches		212,415				212,415	230,659
Refund on purchase of 4 Jacks Close		0				0	290
Loan Repayment				16,077		16,077	0
Grants received						0	0
Other charitable income	6	3,777				3,777	4,014
Sale of Scoriton Church						0	70,580
Sale of Buckfastleigh Methodist Church			162,982			162,982	0
Miscellaneous Income		23				23	0
Total income		253,323	169,161	25,257	811	448,551	333,322
Expenditure							
Grants and donations	7	44,009	16,077		9,400	69,486	42,740
Salaries and associated costs	8	162,111				162,111	175,297
Property expenses	9	42,319				42,319	23,891
Connexional funds & model trust levy to DAF		3,760	2,429	6,975		13,164	10,349
District Assessment & Levy		53,560				53,560	44,426
TMCP Levy			41,193			41,193	10,116
Office expenses	10	4,277	175	503		4,955	5,403
Other outgoings	11	14,379				14,379	6,857
Independent Examiner's Fee		600				600	600
Total charitable expenditure		325,015	59,874	7,479	9,400	401,767	319,679
Gains/(losses) on monetary investments							0
Gains/(losses) on investment properties		21,750					25,000
Net income/(expenditure)		(49,942)	109,287	17,778	(8,589)	68,534	38,643
Transfers between funds	16	43,073	61,491	(104,564)		0	0
Other gains/(losses)							
Net movement in funds		(6,869)	170,778	(86,786)	(8,589)	68,534	38,643
Total funds brought forward		1,588,352	0	238,084	22,900	1,849,337	1,810,694
Total funds carried forward		1,581,483	170,778	151,298	14,311	1,917,871	1,849,337

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Circuit No 24/28
Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024

	Notes	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trusts (Designated)	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2023/24 £	Totals 2022/23 £
Fixed Assets							
Circuit Manses & Equipment	12	1,008,296				1,008,296	1,008,296
Investment properties	13	346,750				346,750	325,000
Investments						0	
Total fixed assets		1,355,046		0	0	1,355,046	1,333,296
Current Assets							
Debtors		13,612				13,612	10,078
Loans by the Circuit						0	16,077
Investments with TMCP			156,886	165,190		322,076	238,084
Central Finance Board Deposits		219,575			14,311	233,887	267,926
Cash at Bank and in hand		29,951				29,951	17,898
Total current assets		263,139	156,886	165,190	14,311	599,526	550,063
Current liabilities							
Creditors (due in under 1 year)		36,701				36,701	34,021
Grants payable within 2024/5						0	0
Total current liabilities		36,701	0	0	0	36,701	34,021
Net current assets/liabilities		226,438	156,886	165,190	14,311	562,825	516,041
Total assets less current liabilities		1,581,484	156,886	165,190	14,311	1,917,871	1,849,337
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)							
Grants payable after 2024/5						0	
Loans to the Circuit						0	
						0	
Net assets		1,581,484	156,886	165,190	14,311	1,917,871	1,849,337
Funds of the Circuit							
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,581,484				1,581,484	1,422,214
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)				165,190		165,190	71,945
Designated Funds		0	156,886			156,886	332,278
Total Unrestricted Funds		1,581,484		165,190		1,746,675	1,826,437
Restricted Funds	14				14,311	14,311	22,900
Endowment Funds						0	0
Total Funds		1,581,484	156,886	165,190	14,311	1,917,871	1,849,337

Signed
Circuit Treasurer

J Harrison



John Harrison

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit. Charity number 1134246

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31st August 2024, as set out on pages 7 – 13.

Responsibilities and basis of the report

As the charity 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 Charity'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 Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT).

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with my 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 the 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 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 these accounts to be reached.

Clare Lillington FMAAT

Raddon Station Hill
Chudleigh
Newton Abbot
TQ13 0EE
Dated: 12th June 2025

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit

Circuit No 24/28

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2023

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2015 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102—the Charities SORP (FRS102) (2019).

2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Circuit which are Unrestricted; the Circuit Model Trust Fund, which has wide purposes defined in Standing Orders and is categorised as Unrestricted and Restricted Funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no Endowment Funds.

3 Accounting policies

Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at fair value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis, to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Incoming Resources

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

Resources Expended

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

Grants

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

VAT

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

4 Donations & Legacies	2024	2023
Donations including gift aid	140	1,414
Gift for repairs to Church	0	0
Collection	0	0
Gift Aid Received	0	250
	140	1,664

5 Income from investment properties	2024	2023
4 Jacks Close	15,348	0
46 Kingsdown Crescent	9,950	9,600
Ilsington Graveyard	1,300	570
	26,598	10,170

6 Other charitable income	2024	2023
Publications	17	64
Connexional Funds	3,760	3,950
	3,777	4,014

7 Grants & Donations	2024	2023
ROC Dawlish Project	12,000	12000
Buckfastleigh Methodist Church	30,869	30000
Plymouth & Exeter District benevolent fund	140	140
Ivybridge Youth For Christ	1,000	600
	44,009	42,740

8 Paid employees	2024	2023
Staff costs incurred during the year were:		
Gross salaries and benefits in kind - Ministers	75,024	113,745
- Other people	77,895	49,951
Travelling Expenses	9,192	11,601
	162,111	175,297

No employee was paid at a rate of more than £ 60,000 per annum

	2024	2023
Average number of full time equivalent employees	4.7	5

9 Property Expenses

	2024	2023
Water rates	1,763	1,785
Council Tax	9,287	8,838
Manses	25,773	7,887
Insurance	4,228	3,920
Building surveys	0	0
Church repairs	0	0
Let properties	1,269	1,460
	42,319	23,891

10 Office Expenses

	2024	2023
Telephone	3,031	2,936
Printing	584	584
Publications	182	895.5
Wages charges	480	480
TMCP Charges	679	507.24
	4,955	5,403

11 Other outgoings

	2024	2023
Supernumerary fees	2,114	2575
Non Employee travel expenses	1,249	1237
Training	907	695
Ilsington graveyard	720	450
Miscellaneous	1,304	1474
Stationing	7,438	0
Apprentice levy	648	637
	14,379	7,068

12 Tangible Fixed Assets Cost

Manses	31/08/2023	Add/Disp	31/08/2024
35 Valley Close	130,000		130,000
135 Churchfields Drive	325,000		325,000
12 Moorlands Close	75,000		75,000
4 Jacks Close	478,296		478,296
	1,008,296		1,008,296

13 Investment Property

	Fair Value 31/8/2022	Fair Value 31/8/2023	Revaluation	Fair Value 31/8/2024
Dawlish	300,000	325,000	0	346,750
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14 Restricted Funds

The only restricted Fund is the Corbyn Fund

	As at 31/08/2023	Interest Allocated	Funds Expended	As at 31/08/2024
Corbyn Fund	22,900	811	9,400	14,311

15 Payments to Trustees

All of the paid employees are also trustees. There are 3 Presbyters, 1 lay minister, 1 lay pastoral assistant (part time), and 1 administrator (part time) whose cost is shared with a Circuit Church. Some supernumerary Ministers are also trustees who receive fees for taking services. No trustee is paid for services rendered in the capacity of a trustee. Expenses payments are made to trustees to reimburse expenditure incurred on behalf of the circuit

	2024	2024	2023	2023
	£	Number of Trustees	£	Number of Trustees
Supernumerary fees	1,014	4	1250	3
Travel	9,624	8	14,234	10
Other	4,503	4	772	5
	<u>15,141</u>		<u>16,256</u>	

16 Transfers

A column was added to the SOFA this year to show designated funds for Buckfast Methodist Church. At the end of 2022-23 designated funds were included in the balance sheet. The Funds designated for Buckfast that the beginning of the year were £ 61491. A transfer between the TMCP unrestricted and TMCP designated columns in the SOFA has been included.

17 Capital Commitments and Contingent Liabilities

At 31st August 2023 there are no capital commitments (Nil)
No contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2023 (Nil)

18 Fees for Examination of Accounts

	2024	2023
Examiners Fees	600	600

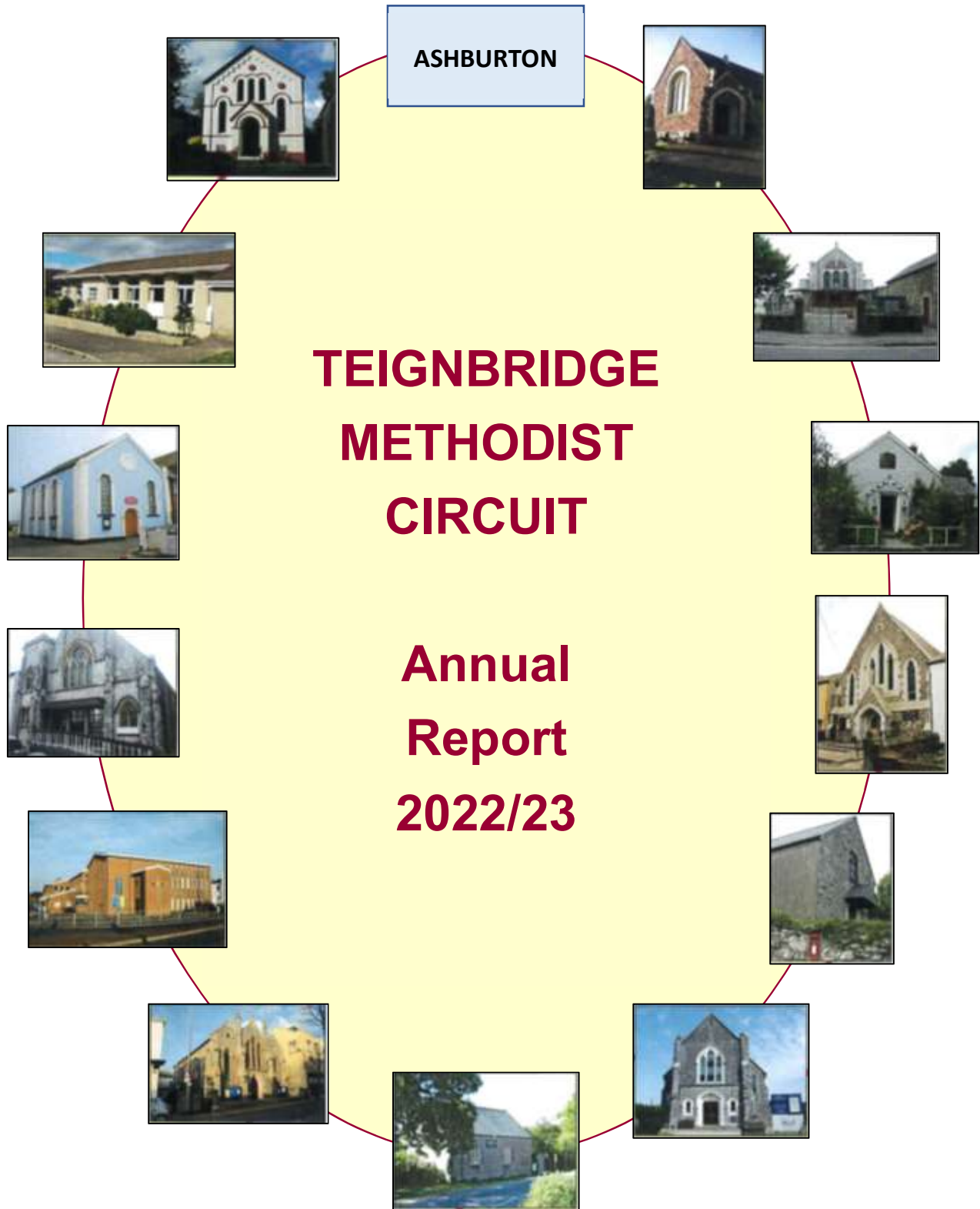
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Accounts



Plymouth & Exeter District of the Methodist Church



Teignbridge Methodist Circuit – 2022/23



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- **Newton Abbot:** The Avenue Church (Methodist with United Reformed) and Shaldon Road Methodist Church.
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Circuit Leadership Team:

Paid ministers (ordained and lay), with pastoral responsibility/charge

- Rev. Kevin Hooke
- Rev. Gill Daniel
- Rev. Verity Phillips
- Ms. Sharon Hurlow

Circuit Stewards

- Mr. John Harrison
- Mr. Andrew Parsons
- Ms Carol Hughes
- Rev Paul Weir

Circuit Pastoral Worker: Mrs Sharon Canning

Circuit Administrator: Ms Kay Fice

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Trustees —2022/23

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Peter Leigh	Alsop
Denys	Bament
Marianne	Barrett Rogers
Michael	Barrett Rogers
Sheila Margaret Appointed 21/03/2023	Bendall
Malcolm John	Benton
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Jennifer	Bonner
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As at 31st August the funds available in the General Fund were £259,657 against a reserve policy requirement of £ 175,920



Kevin P. Hooke, Superintendent Minister
15th March 2024

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit Charity Number 1134246
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Income from monetary investments		8,690	6,549	706	15,945	2,557
Income from investment properties	5	10,170			10,170	9,880
Assessments on Churches		230,659			230,659	231,072
Refund on purchase of 4 Jacks Close		290			290	0
Grants received		0			0	0
Other charitable income	6	4,014			4,014	4,840
Sale of Scoriton Church			70,580		70,580	0
Miscellaneous Income		0			0	0
Total income		255,487	77,128	706	333,322	250,189
Expenditure						
Grants and donations	7	42,740	0		42,740	63,850
Salaries and associated costs	8	175,297			175,297	159,408
Property expenses	9	23,891			23,891	45,736
Connexional funds & model trust levy		3,950	6,399		10,349	23,258
District Assessment & Levy		44,426			44,426	45,089
TMCP Levy			10,116		10,116	0
Office expenses	10	4,896	507		5,403	5,840
Other outgoing	11	6,857			6,857	5,180
Independent Examiner's Fee		600			600	600
Total charitable expenditure		302,657	17,022	0	319,679	348,961
Gains/(losses) on monetary investments						0
Gains/(losses) on investment properties		25,000			25,000	25,000
Net income/(expenditure)		(22,170)	60,106	706	38,643	(73,772)
Transfers between funds		0	0		0	0
Other gains/(losses)						
Net movement in funds		(22,170)	60,106	706	38,643	(73,772)
Total funds brought forward		1,610,522	177,978	22,194	1,810,694	1,884,466
Total funds carried forward		1,588,352	238,084	22,900	1,849,337	1,810,694

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit Charity Number 1134246

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Teignbridge Methodist Circuit

Circuit No 24/28

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2023

	Notes	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2022/23 £	Totals 2021/22 £
Fixed Assets						
Circuit Manses & Equipment	12	1,008,296			1,008,296	1,008,296
Investment properties	13	325,000			325,000	300,000
Investments					0	
Total fixed assets		1,333,296	0	0	1,333,296	1,308,296
Current Assets						
Debtors		10,078			10,078	12,109
Loans by the Circuit		16,077			16,077	16,077
Investments with TMCP			238,084		238,084	177,978
Central Finance Board Deposits		245,025		22,900	267,926	322,765
Cash at Bank and in hand		17,898			17,898	4,673
Total current assets		289,078	238,084	22,900	550,063	533,602
Current liabilities						
Creditors (due in under 1 year)		34,021			34,021	31,204
Grants payable within 2021/22					0	
Total current liabilities		34,021	0	0	34,021	31,204
Net current assets/liabilities		255,057	238,084	22,900	516,041	502,398
Total assets less current liabilities		1,588,353	238,084	22,900	1,849,337	1,810,694
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)						
Grants payable after 2021/22					0	
Loans to the Circuit					0	
					0	
Net assets		1,588,353	238,084	22,900	1,849,337	1,810,694
Funds of the Circuit						
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,422,214			1,422,214	1,610,522
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)			71,945		71,945	177,978
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)		166,139	166,139		332,278	0
Total Unrestricted Funds		1,588,353	238,084	0	1,826,437	1,788,500
Restricted Funds	14			22,900	22,900	22,194
Endowment Funds					0	0
Total Funds		1,588,353	238,084	22,900	1,849,337	1,810,694

Signed
Circuit Treasurer



John Harrison

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Charity number 1134246**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31st August 2023, as set out on pages 9—13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the Association of Accounting Technicians (AAT)

As the charity 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 Charity'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

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

- (1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) The accounts do not accord with those records.

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

C.W. Lillington

Clare Lillington FMAAT
Raddon Station Hill
Chudleigh
Newton Abbot
TQ13 OEE

Dated: 30th May 2024

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit

Circuit No 24/28

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2023

1 Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2015 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102—the Charities SORP (FRS102) (2019).

2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Circuit which are Unrestricted; the Circuit Model Trust Fund, which has wide purposes defined in Standing Orders and is categorised as Unrestricted and Restricted Funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no Endowment Funds.

3 Accounting policies

Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at fair value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis, to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis.

Incoming Resources

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

Resources Expended

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

Grants

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

VAT

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

4 Donations & Legacies	2023	2022
Donations including gift aid	1,414	1,540
Gift for repairs to Church	0.00	0
Collection	0.00	0
Gift Aid Claimed From HMRC	250	0
	1,664	4,540

5 Income from investment properties	2023	2022
46 Kingsdown Crescent	9,600	8,078
Ilsington Graveyard	570	630
	10,170	8,708

6 Other charitable income	2023	2022
Publications	64	300
Connexional Funds	3,950	4,540
Money return from Methodist Guild Holidays	0	281
	4,014	5,121

7 Grants & Donations	2023	2022
ROC Dawlish Project	12,000	12000
Ipplepen Church renewal for the "Hub"	0	45000
Buckfastleigh Chapel Lintels	0	1020
Shaldon Church Oriel Window	0	4000
Benovelent Fund donation by Rev Hooke	0	100
The Avenue Church - Disabled Toilet Project	30,000	0
Plymouth & Exeter District benevolent fund	140	130
Ivybridge Youth For Christ bus	600	600
Bude & Holsworthy market Chaplain	0	1,000
	42,740	63,850

8 Paid employees	2023	2022
Staff costs incurred during the year were:		
Gross salaries and benefits in kind - Ministers	113,745	109,498
- Others	49,951	45,237
Travelling Expenses	11,601	6,427
	175,297	161,162

No employee was paid at a rate of more than £ 60,000 per annum

	2023	2022
Average number of full time equivalent employees	5	6

9 Property Expenses	2023	2022
Water rates	1,785	1,527
Council Tax	8,838	8,639
Manses	7,887	27,623
Insurance	3,920	3,555
Building surveys	0	2,125
Church repairs	0	0
Let properties	1,460	963
	23,891	44,432

10 Office Expenses	2023	2022
Telephone	2,936	2,864
Printing	584	584
Publications	896	867
Wages charges	480	0
TMCP Charges	507	1044
	5,403	5,359

11 Other outgoings	2023	2022
Supernumerary fees	2,575	1825
Non Employee travel expenses	1,237	
Training	695	330
Ilsington graveyard	450	540
Miscellaneous	1,474	1,680
Corbyn fund	0	0
Apprentice levy	637	616
Scoriton Church Sale Expenditure	0	316
	7,068	5,307

12 Tangible Fixed Assets Cost	31/08/2022	Add/Disp	31/08/2023
Manses			
35 Valley Close	130,000		130,000
135 Churchfields Drive	325,000		325,000
12 Moorlands Close	75,000		75,000
4 Jacks Close	478,296		478,296
	1,008,296		1,008,296

13 Investment Property	Fair Value 31/8/2021	Fair Value 31/8/2022	Revaluation	Fair Value 31/8/2023
Investments Dawlish	275,000	300,000		325,000
	<u>275,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>325,000</u>

14 Restricted Funds

The only restricted fund is the Corbyn Fund.

	As at 31/08/2022	Interest allocated	Funds expended	As at 31/08/2023
Corbyn Fund	26,121	706	0	26,827

15 Payments to Trustees

All of the paid employees are also trustees. There are 3 Presbyters, 1 lay minister, 1 lay pastoral assistant (part time), and 1 administrator (part time) whose cost is shared with a Circuit Church. Some supernumerary Ministers are also trustees who receive fees for taking services. No trustee is paid for services rendered in the capacity of a trustee. Expenses payments are made to trustees to re-imburse expenditure incurred on behalf of the circuit.

	2023	2023	2022	2022
	£	Number of Trustees	£	Number of Trustees
Supernumerary fees	1,250	3	1825	1
Travel	14,234	10	6,427	9
Other	772	5	1,680	9
	<u>16,256</u>		<u>9,932</u>	

16 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At 31st August 2023 there are no capital commitments. (Nil)
No contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2023. (Nil)

17 Fees for Examination of Accounts

	2023	2022
Fees for accountancy or examination.	600	600

TEIGNBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

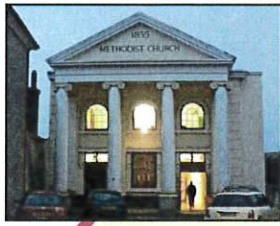
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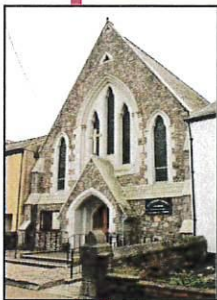
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TEIGNBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT



Annual Report 2021/22



Teignbridge Methodist Circuit – 2021/22



The **Teignbridge Methodist Circuit** comprises 12 Church Councils, which are responsible for 15 church sites. These are arranged in four sections as follows:

- **Moorland:** Bovey Tracey, Ipplepen, Ashburton (which has no building in town but is responsible for Dunstone and Poundsgate.)
- **Newton Abbot:** The Avenue Church (Methodist with United Reformed) and Shaldon Road.
- **Coastal:** Bishopsteignton, Dawlish, Shaldon and Teignmouth.
- **Totnes:** Totnes, South Brent, Buckfast/leigh (which is responsible for chapels at Buckfastleigh, Buckfast and Scoriton).

Circuit Leadership Team:

- Rev. Kevin Hooke (Superintendent Minister in charge of the Moorland Section)
- Rev. Gill Daniel (Minister in charge of the Newton Abbot section)
- Rev. Verity Phillips (Minister in charge of the Totnes section)
- Ms. Sharon Hurlow (Minister in charge of the Coastal section)
- Mr. Fred Woodland (Circuit Steward) Resigned 31.08.2022
- Mr. Bob Francis (Circuit Treasurer) Died 06.06.2023
- Mr. Andrew Parsons (Circuit Steward)
- Ms. Carol Hughes (Circuit Steward) Appointed 01.09.2022
- Mr John Harrison (Circuit Treasurer) Appointed 20.06.2023

Circuit Pastoral Worker: Mrs Sharon Canning (Moorland section)

Circuit Administrator: Ms Kay Fice

Supernumerary Ministers: In total there are six supernumerary (retired) ministers in the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit, four of whom regularly preach in the circuit's churches.

Additionally there are 26 Local Preachers — of whom 16 regularly preach in the Circuit's churches — with 1 Local Preacher on trial. We also have 9 Worship Leaders.

Trustees – 2021/22

Maria	Alsop
Peter Leigh	Alsop
Denys	Bament
Marianne	Barrett Rogers
Michael	Barrett Rogers
Sheila	Bendall
Malcolm	Benton
Anne	Berridge
Jenny	Bonner
Christian	Canning
Sharon	Canning
Vincent	Canning
Gill	Daniel
Rosemarie	Dungey
Jill	Elliott
Kay	Fice
Jean	Francis
Monica	Gfeller- Harwood
Selwyn	Green
Gill	Hardy
Stephen John	Harris
John	Harrison
Wendy	Hartley
Jane	Holmes
Kevin Peter	Hooke
Carol	Hughes
Sharon Ann	Hurlow
Alan	Johnston

Duncan	Knight
Stephen Paul	Major
Agnes	McFeat
Alexander Wright	McFeat
Carol Ann	Morgan
Andrew Russell	Parsons
Verity	Phillips
Nicola	Quaintance
Margaret Dawn	Renshaw
Alison	Rowe
Rosemary	Quin
Jean	Sabine
Andrew David	Sinden
Edward	Stephenson
Patricia	Stephenson
Michael	Strickland
Patsy	Tidball
Margaret	Vosper
Serena	Walcot
John	Walton
Paul	Weir
Anne-Marie	Whiting
Frederick William	Woodland

Objectives and Activities

We understand that we are not engaging in **our** mission, but rather participating in **God's** mission to all people, in partnership with others and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

We also understand that mission is all that we are sent to do by Christ. It includes not only evangelism but also service to our communities, pursuit of social justice and concern for the environment. We are to be signs of and sharers in the Kingdom of God and its values.

We understand that we live with the tensions of being both an inherited church and a 'discipleship movement shaped for mission' and that we need to work creatively with the opportunities and challenges this brings.

As a Circuit we believe that it is therefore our responsibility:

- To manage our resources strategically and prayerfully, to maximise their effectiveness;
- To support the churches in fulfilling their own mission strategies and objectives.

To do so we will:

- Conduct periodic Circuit Reviews to determine the greatest opportunities for growth and outreach
- Maintain appropriate levels of ordained and lay staffing, seeking grant funding as necessary, and deploying them in line with the identified opportunities for growth
- Maintain a balanced Circuit Budget
- Develop appropriate strategic ecumenical partnerships at Circuit level
- Foster Circuit identity and cohesion through Circuit Services and the sharing of information
- Work in partnership with neighbouring Circuits to use resources and expertise efficiently and effectively
- Encourage and support differing expressions of worship alongside traditional forms
- Group churches in ways which encourage the most effective partnerships between them for mission
- Encourage churches to work closely with their own ecumenical partners
- Provide Circuit opportunities for growth in discipleship and missional understanding
- Develop and maintain relationships with other services and organisations serving the wellbeing of our communities

Achievements and Performance – 2021/22

During the year 2021-22 Teignbridge Methodist Circuit managed to maintain its support of its individual churches, using some of its financial capital to underwrite those which were unable to pay their Circuit assessment in full.

From September 2021, Sharon Hurlow took on pastoral responsibility for the churches in the coastal section of the Circuit on a full time basis and moved into the Teignmouth manse; the knock-on effect was that Kay Fice's position as Administrator was moved to a permanent basis. This gave some stability to Circuit ministry, though there were also periods of staff absence. In addition Carol Hughes joined the team of Circuit Stewards and, at the end of the year, Fred Woodland's term of office came to an end.

During the year, church attendance generally recovered after the restrictions of Covid, as did room and hall bookings, giving some greater stability to many of the churches. The moves to rationalise the premises managed by Buckfast/leigh Church Council continued, and it is hoped that the church buildings at Scoriton and Buckfastleigh will be sold in the coming year, both concentrating the congregations in one place and releasing resources for the church's ongoing work. The Circuit maintained the weekly Sunday Zoom service, which has become embedded as part of the Circuit's life and witness, enabling a number of people to attend worship at times when they cannot get to a church building.

The Circuit has also managed its properties, both those used for Manses and one that is rented out. It continues to use the revenue from the latter to support its ongoing activities. The Circuit continued to take seriously its responsibilities in safeguarding and GDPR matters and to support its Churches to do the same. The Circuit continues to review its Safeguarding policy annually in line with the changing requirements and guidance of the Methodist Church, and supports its local Churches in several ways:

- providing templates for their own policies,
- overseeing DBS and training records,
- offering templates for role descriptions,
- the availability of the Circuit Safeguarding Officer for advice.

In line with Methodist requirements, all those leading worship on the Circuit plan (worship leaders and preachers) have undertaken advanced safeguarding training (either through the Methodist Church or at an equivalent level in the case of some of our regular visitors from our partner denominations).

Public Benefit

Throughout the year 2021/22 the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have acted accordingly. They are committed to continue to do so in the future.

Plans for the Future

The Circuit recognises that it is only now possible for churches to begin to assess where they are in the aftermath of the Covid restrictions, in terms of both their mission and resources of people and finance. In the coming year the Circuit will therefore ask the churches prayerfully to review their mission policies and consequent needs, as well as their underlying sustainability, in order to shape its future structure and resourcing to facilitate mission.

Reserves Policy

Our *Reserves Policy* is to hold at least six month's expenditure in hand:

- We hold a reserve for the maintenance of our team of presbyteral ministers of £80,000 to pay for the stipends of two such presbyters, including on-costs.
- We hold a reserve for our property maintenance programme of £50,000 to maintain each of the four manses and a fifth residential property owned by the Circuit.
- We hold a reserve of 50% of our other costs, which in the year to 31st August 2022 amounted to £72,677.

As at 31st August the free funds available in the general reserve were £302,226 against a reserve policy requirement of £202,677.



Kevin P. Hooke, Superintendent Minister

25th June 2023

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Teignbridge
Methodist Circuit
Charity number 1134246**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit (the Trust) for the year ended 31st August 2022 asset out on pages 8 - 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all 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 Association of Accounting Technicians.

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

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records;

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C. W. Lillington

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26th June 2023

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit

Circuit No 24/28

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2022

	Note	Circuit Model			Total 2021-22 £	Total 2020-21 £
		General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Trust (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £		
Income						
Donations and legacies	4	1,840	-	-	1,840	4,630
Income from monetary investments		985	1,499	73	2,557	1,838
Income from investment properties	5	9,880	-	-	9,880	18,830
Assessments on Churches	6	231,072	-	-	231,072	184,153
Profit on disposal of manse		-	-	-	-	-
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable income	7	4,840	-	-	4,840	4,661
Total income		248,817	1,499	73	250,189	214,112
Expenditure						
Grants and donations	8	18,850	45,000	-	63,850	1,920
Salaries and associated costs	9	159,408	-	-	159,408	154,251
Property expenses	10	45,736	-	-	45,736	35,327
Connexional assessment & model trust levy		4,540	18,718	-	23,258	38,599
District Assessment & Levy		45,089	-	-	45,089	49,620
TMCP Levy		-	-	-	-	-
Office expenses	11	4,796	1,044	-	5,840	5,495
Other outgoings	12	5,180	-	-	5,180	9,311
Independent Examiner's fee	18	800	-	-	800	-
Total charitable expenditure		284,199	84,762	-	348,961	292,623
Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		-	-	-	-	-
Gains/(losses) on investment properties		25,000	-	-	25,000	35,000
Net income/(expenditure)		(10,582)	(83,263)	73	(73,772)	(43,411)
Transfers between funds		125,000	(125,000)	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		114,418	(188,263)	73	(73,772)	(43,411)
Total funds brought forward		1,496,106	366,240	22,121	1,884,468	1,927,877
Total funds carried forward		1,610,524	177,977	22,194	1,810,694	1,884,456

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Circuit No 24/28
Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2022

Notes	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2021/22 £	Totals 2020/21 £
Fixed Assets					
Circuit Manses & Equipment	13	1,008,296	-	1,008,296	1,008,296
Investment properties	14	300,000	-	300,000	275,000
Investments		-	-	-	-
Total fixed assets		1,308,296	-	1,308,296	1,283,296
Current Assets					
Debtors		12,109	-	12,109	11,688
Loans by the Circuit		16,077	-	16,077	16,077
Investments with TMCP		-	177,978	177,978	366,240
Central Finance Board Deposits		300,571	-	322,765	236,966
Cash at Bank and in hand		4,673	-	4,673	5,025
Total current assets		333,430	177,978	533,602	635,996
Current liabilities					
Creditors (due in under 1 year)		31,204	-	31,204	34,826
Grants payable within 2022/23		-	-	-	-
Total current liabilities		31,204	-	31,204	34,826
Net current assets/liabilities		302,226	177,978	22,194	601,170
Total assets less current liabilities		1,610,522	177,978	22,194	1,884,466
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)					
Grants payable after 2022/23		-	-	-	-
Loans to the Circuit		-	-	-	-
Net assets		1,610,522	177,978	22,194	1,884,466
Funds of the Circuit					
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,610,522	-	1,610,522	1,496,105
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)		-	177,978	177,978	366,240
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)		-	-	-	-
Total Unrestricted Funds		1,610,522	177,978	1,788,500	1,862,345
Restricted Funds	15	-	-	22,194	22,121
Endowment Funds		-	-	-	-
Total Funds		1,610,522	177,978	22,194	1,884,466

Signed John Harrison

Circuit Treasurer



Teignbridge Methodist Circuit**Circuit No 24/28****Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022****1 Basis of accounting**

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2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Circuit which are Unrestricted; the Circuit Model Trust Fund, which has wide purposes defined in Standing Orders and is categorised as Unrestricted and Restricted Funds which are held for a narrower purpose.

There are no Endowment Funds.

3 Accounting policies**Basis**

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at fair value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis, to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. The only material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern is the effect of Covid 19. As explained in note 6 the charity has taken steps to ensure, as far as possible, that the circuit churches who provide the majority of the charity's income will continue to be able to meet their assessments in future.

Incoming Resources

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

Resources Expended

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

Grants

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

VAT

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

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022 cont.

4 Donations & Legacies	2022	2021
Donations including gift aid	1,840	1,630
Gift for repairs to Church	-	3,000
	1,840	4,630

5 Income from investment properties	2022	2021
46 Kingsdown Crescent	9,250	9,060
Ilseington Graveyard	630	570
35 Valley Close	-	9,200
	9,880	9,630

6 Assessments

In response to the Covid 19 pandemic the Circuit granted two assessment holidays in the hope that this would allow churches to recover their financial positions. In most cases this has been a successful exercise. Where churches are still struggling the Circuit is working in partnership with the church stewards to address shortfalls.

7 Other charitable income	2022	2021
Publications	300	331
Connexional funds	4,540	4,330
	4,840	4,661

8 Grants & Donations	2022	2021
LWPT	-	200
Plymouth & Exeter District benevolent fund	130	120
Ivybridge Youth for Christ bus	600	600
Bude & Holsworthy market chaplain	1,000	1,000
ROC Dawlish project	12,000	-
Ipplepen Church Rebewal for the "Hub"	45,000	-
Buckfastleigh Chapel Lintels	1,020	-
Shaldon Church Oriel window	4,000	-
Benevolent	100	-
	63,850	1,920

9 Paid employees	2022	2021
Staff costs incurred during the year were:		
Gross salaries and benefits in kind		
Ministers	109,049	116,841
Others	41,757	32,415
Travelling Expenses	8,602	4,995
	159,408	154,251

No employee was paid at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

	2022	2021
Average number of full time equivalent employees	5	6

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022 cont.

10 Property expenses	2022	2021
Water rates	1,545	1,673
Council tax	8,763	6,496
Manses	28,623	12,874
Insurance	3,508	3,369
Building surveys	2,125	4,413
Church repairs	-	3,000
Let properties	1,172	3,502
	45,736	35,327

11 Office expenses	2022	2021
Telephone	2,864	2,920
Printing	584	584
Publications	868	544
Wages charges	480	480
TMCP charges	1,044	966
	5,840	5,494

12 Other outgoings	2022	2021
Supernumerary fees	1,825	1,800
Training	330	214
Ilington graveyard	540	400
Miscellaneous	1,869	4,941
Corbyn fund	-	4,000
Apprentice levy	616	582
	5,180	11,937

13 Tangible Fixed Assets	Cost	31/08/2021	Add/Disp	31/08/2022
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14 Investment Property	Fair Value	Revaluation	Fair Value	Revaluation	Fair Value
	31/08/2020		31/08/2021		31/08/2022
Investments					
Dawlish	240,000	35,000	275,000	25,000	300,000
	<u>240,000</u>	<u>35,000</u>	<u>275,000</u>	<u>25,000</u>	<u>300,000</u>

15 Restricted Funds

The only restricted fund is the Corbyn Fund which is for education and outreach in three of the circuit churches.

As at		As at	Income/	As at
31/08/2020	(Expended)	31/08/2021	(Expended)	31/08/2022
26,121	(4,000)	22,121	73	22,194

16 Payments to Trustees

6 of the paid employees are also trustees. There are 3 Presbyters (2021 - 3), 1 lay minister (2021 - 1), and two lay workers (2021 - 2), of whom one is an administrator whose cost is shared with a circuit church and the other is a pastoral assistant.

Some supernumerary ministers are also trustees who receive fees for taking services.

No trustee is paid for services rendered in the capacity of a trustee.

Expenses payments are made to trustees to re-imburse expenditure incurred on behalf of the circuit.

	2022	2022	2021	2021
	£	Number of Trustees	£	Number of Trustees
Supernumerary fees	1,825	3	350	1
Travel	8,602	12	4,996	9
Other	5,932	9	6,207	9
	<u>16,359</u>		<u>11,553</u>	

17 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At 31st August 2022 there are no capital commitments. (2021 - Nil)

No contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2022. (2021 - Nil)

18 Fees for examination of the accounts

Examiners fees	2022	2021
	600	0

TEIGNBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT

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TEIGNBRIDGE METHODIST CIRCUIT



Annual Report 2020/21



Teignbridge Methodist Circuit – 2020/21



The **Teignbridge Methodist Circuit** comprises sixteen churches/chapels, arranged in four sections as follows:

- **Moorland:** Ashburton, Bovey Tracey and Ipplepen Methodist Churches plus Dunstone and Poundsgate Methodist Chapels (both classes of Ashburton).
- **Newton Abbot:** The Avenue Church (Methodist with United Reformed) and Shaldon Road Methodist Church.
- **Coastal:** Bishopsteignton, Dawlish, Shaldon and Teignmouth Methodist Churches.
- **Totnes:** Buckfastleigh, South Brent and Totnes Methodist Churches plus Buckfast and Scoriton Methodist Chapels (both classes of Buckfastleigh).

Circuit Leadership Team:

- Rev. Kevin Hooke (Superintendent Minister in charge of the Moorland Section)
- Rev. Gill Daniel (Minister in charge of the Newton Abbot section)
- Rev. Verity Phillips (Minister in charge of the Totnes section)
- Rev. Paul Weir and Ms. Sharon Hurlow (Ministers in charge of the Coastal section)
- Mr. Fred Woodland (Circuit Steward)
- Mr. Bob Francis (Circuit Treasurer)
- Mr. Andrew Parsons (Circuit Steward)

Circuit Pastoral Worker: Mrs Sharon Canning (Moorland section)

Circuit Administrator: Ms Kay Fice

Supernumerary Ministers: In total there are six supernumerary (retired) ministers in the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit, four of whom regularly preach in the circuit's churches.

Additionally there are 30 Local Preachers — of whom 22 regularly preach in the Circuit's churches — with 2 Local Preachers on trial. We also have 10 Worship Leaders.

Trustees – 2020/21

Maria	Alsop
Peter Leigh	Alsop
Denys	Bament
Marianne	Barrett Rogers
Michael	Barrett Rogers
Malcolm	Benton
Anne	Berridge
Jenny	Bonner
Christian	Canning
Sharon	Canning
Vincent	Canning
Martin	Charlesworth
Sue	Colwill
Gill	Daniel
Rosemarie	Dungey
Jill	Elliott
Kay	Fice
Jean	Francis
Robert George	Francis
Monica	Gfeller-Harwood
Selwyn	Green
Gill	Hardy
Stephen John	Harris
Wendy	Hartley
Jane	Holmes
Kevin Peter	Hooke
Carol <small>Appointed 01/09/2021</small>	Hughes
Sharon Ann	Hurlow

Cynthia	Jago
Alan	Johnston
Duncan	Knight
Stephen Paul	Major
Agnes	McFeat
Alexander Wright	McFeat
Carol Ann	Morgan
Brenda	Naish
Andrew Russell	Parsons
Verity	Phillips
John	Prebble
Nicola <small>Appointed 01/03/2022</small>	Quaintance
Margaret Dawn	Renshaw
Jean <small>Appointed 01/03/2022</small>	Sabine
Andrew David	Sinden
Edward	Stephenson
Patricia	Stephenson
Michael	Strickland
Patsy <small>Appointed 01/03/2022</small>	Tidball
Margaret	Vosper
Serena	Walcot
John	Walton
Paul	Weir
Anne-Marie	Whiting
Frederick William	Woodland
Keith	Wray

Objectives and Activities

We understand that we are not engaging in **our** mission, but rather participating in **God's** mission to all people, in partnership with others and empowered by the Holy Spirit.

We also understand that mission is all that we are sent to do by Christ. It includes not only evangelism but also service to our communities, pursuit of social justice and concern for the environment. We are to be signs of and sharers in the Kingdom of God and its values.

We understand that we live with the tensions of being both an inherited church and a 'discipleship movement shaped for mission' and that we need to work creatively with the opportunities and challenges this brings.

As a Circuit we believe that it is therefore our responsibility:

- To manage our resources strategically and prayerfully, to maximise their effectiveness;
- To support the churches in fulfilling their own mission strategies and objectives.

To do so we will:

- Conduct periodic Circuit Reviews to determine the greatest opportunities for growth and outreach
- Maintain appropriate levels of ordained and lay staffing, seeking grant funding as necessary, and deploying them in line with the identified opportunities for growth
- Maintain a balanced Circuit Budget
- Develop appropriate strategic ecumenical partnerships at Circuit level
- Foster Circuit identity and cohesion through Circuit Services and the sharing of information
- Work in partnership with neighbouring Circuits to use resources and expertise efficiently and effectively
- Encourage and support differing expressions of worship alongside traditional forms
- Group churches in ways which encourage the most effective partnerships between them for mission
- Encourage churches to work closely with their own ecumenical partners
- Provide Circuit opportunities for growth in discipleship and missional understanding
- Develop and maintain relationships with other services and organisations serving the wellbeing of our communities

Achievements and Performance – 2020/21

During the year 2020-21 Teignbridge Methodist Circuit managed to maintain its support of its individual churches despite the challenges of the ongoing Covid-19 pandemic, with its changing regulations and restrictions.

From September 2020, the coastal section of the Circuit was looked after by Sharon Hurlow as a part-time Lay Minister, supported by a supernumerary minister, Rev Paul Weir. During this time, Sharon gained in experience and confidence, meaning that the balance of time between her and Paul was shifted during the year, with Sharon taking on more of the allotted hours. It was agreed that Sharon should assume the role full-time from September 2021.

At the start of September 2020, the Circuit took on Kay Fice as Circuit Administrator, initially for one year to cover for Sharon Hurlow's secondment to her new role.

Once again, some of the previously envisaged mission projects were put on hold due to the pandemic but, as in the previous year, the Circuit was in the financial position to provide relief to its churches by means of a quarter's 'holiday' from paying assessments. The Sunday morning Zoom service, initially started to serve the churches in the coastal section, continue to thrive and attract people from a wider geographical area, and so it has been decided to maintain it indefinitely as a part of Circuit life. Online, the Circuit continued to engage with the national Methodist Way of Life and District Christian Communities in Conversation projects, whilst the opportunity to meet together via Zoom developed connectivity across Church communities, and engage people who would otherwise be excluded, such as the housebound.

The Circuit has also managed its properties, both those used for Manses and one that is rented out. It continues to use the revenue from the latter to support its ongoing activities.

The Circuit continued to take seriously its responsibilities in safeguarding and GDPR matters and to support its Churches to do the same.

The Circuit continues to review its Safeguarding policy annually in line with the changing requirements and guidance of the Methodist Church, and supports its local Churches in several ways:

- providing templates for their own policies,
- overseeing DBS and training records,
- offering templates for role descriptions,
- the availability of the Circuit Safeguarding Officer for advice.

Public Benefit

Throughout the year 2020/21 the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit and have acted accordingly. They are committed to continue to do so in the future.

Plans for the Future

The Circuit will need to embed its new team of Circuit Stewards and Staff. It will seek to support those churches as they develop projects for which capital reserve money has been earmarked – such as the building works at Ipplepen, capital investment at the Avenue, and a new worker in Teignmouth and Dawlish. It will hold another Circuit Leadership strategy day to further its missional planning for the future and will review with the Churches the assessment levels in the light of changing memberships and circumstances. It will continue to encourage Churches to engage with their local communities and keep an overview of the needs of the area.

Reserves Policy

Our *Reserves Policy* is to hold at least six month's expenditure in hand:

- We make provision for the maintenance of our team of presbyteral ministers by designating £80,000 per annum to pay for the stipends of two such presbyters, including on-costs.
- We make provision for our property maintenance programme by designating a total of £50,000 per annum to maintain each of the four manses and a fifth residential property owned by the Circuit.



Kevin P. Hooke, Superintendent Minister

15th March 2022

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Charity number 1134246**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Teignbridge Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31st August 2021, as set out on pages 8 – 13.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity 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 Charity'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

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

- (1) Accounting records were not kept in respect of the Charity as required by section 130 of the Act; or
- (2) The accounts do not accord with those records.

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



Clare Lillington FMAAT
Raddon Station Hill
Chudleigh
Newton Abbot
TQ13 0EE

Dated: 20th June 2022

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit

Circuit No 24/28

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

		Circuit Model				
	Note	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Trust (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Total 2020-21	Total 2019-20
		£	£	£	£	£
Income						
Donations and legacies	4	4,630	-	-	4,630	2,105
Income from monetary investments		329	1,509	-	1,838	6,152
Income from investment properties	5	18,830	-	-	18,830	9,570
Assessments on Churches	6	184,153	-	-	184,153	182,639
Profit on disposal of manse		-	-	-	-	-
Grants received		-	-	-	-	-
Other charitable income	7	4,661	-	-	4,661	5,201
Total income		212,603	1,509	-	214,112	205,667
Expenditure						
Grants and donations	8	1,920	-	-	1,920	49,107
Salaries and associated costs	9	154,251	-	-	154,251	162,928
Property expenses	10	35,327	-	-	35,327	19,327
Connexional assessment & model trust levy		9,110	27,489	-	36,599	37,950
District Assessment & Levy		49,620	-	-	49,620	49,426
TMCP Levy		-	-	-	-	-
Office expenses	11	4,528	967	-	5,495	6,288
Other outgoings	12	5,311	-	4,000	9,311	11,937
Total charitable expenditure		260,067	28,456	4,000	292,523	336,963
Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		-	-	-	-	-
Gains/(losses) on investment properties		35,000	-	-	35,000	-
Net income/(expenditure)		(12,464)	(26,947)	(4,000)	(43,411)	(131,296)
Transfers between funds		90,000	(90,000)	-	-	-
Other gains/(losses)		-	-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		77,536	(116,947)	(4,000)	(43,411)	(131,296)
Total funds brought forward		1,418,570	483,186	26,121	1,927,877	2,059,173
Total funds carried forward		1,496,106	366,240	22,121	1,884,466	1,927,877

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit
Circuit No 24/28
Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

Notes	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Totals 2020/21 £	Totals 2019/20 £
Fixed Assets					
Circuit Manses & Equipment	13	1,008,296		1,008,296	1,008,296
Investment properties	14	275,000		275,000	240,000
Investments		-		-	-
Total fixed assets		1,283,296		1,283,296	1,248,296
Current Assets					
Debtors		11,688	-	11,688	12,286
Loans by the Circuit		16,077	-	16,077	-
Investments with TMCP		-	366,240	366,240	483,186
Central Finance Board Deposits		214,845	-	236,966	248,407
Cash at Bank and in hand		5,025	-	5,025	4,391
Total current assets		247,635	366,240	635,996	748,270
Current liabilities					
Creditors (due in under 1 year)		34,826	-	34,826	68,689
Grants payable within 2020/21		-	-	-	-
Total current liabilities		34,826		34,826	68,689
Net current assets/liabilities		212,809	366,240	601,170	679,581
Total assets less current liabilities		1,496,105	366,240	1,884,466	1,927,877
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)					
Grants payable after 2020/21		-	-	-	-
Loans to the Circuit		-	-	-	-
Net assets		1,496,105	366,240	1,884,466	1,927,877
Funds of the Circuit					
General Fund (Unrestricted)		1,496,105	-	1,496,105	1,418,570
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)		-	366,240	366,240	483,186
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)		-	-	-	-
Total Unrestricted Funds		1,496,105	366,240	1,862,345	1,901,756
Restricted Funds	15	-	-	22,121	26,121
Endowment Funds		-	-	-	-
Total Funds		1,496,105	366,240	1,884,466	1,927,877

Signed R G Francis

Circuit Treasurer 15/03/2022

Teignbridge Methodist Circuit**Circuit No 24/28****Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2021****1 Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with the 2015 version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with FRS102 – the Charities SORP (FRS102) (2019).

2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Circuit which are Unrestricted; the Circuit Model Trust Fund, which has wide purposes defined in Standing Orders and is categorised as Unrestricted and Restricted Funds which are held for a narrower purpose. There are no Endowment Funds.

3 Accounting policies**Basis**

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at fair value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis, to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities. The accounts have been prepared on a going concern basis. The only material uncertainties about the charity's ability to continue as a going concern is the effect of Covid 19. As explained in note 6 the charity has taken steps to ensure, as far as possible, that the circuit churches who provide the majority of the charity's income will continue to be able to meet their assessments in future.

Incoming Resources

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

Resources Expended

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

Grants

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

VAT

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

4 Donations & Legacies

	2021	2020
Donations including gift aid	1,630	1,640
Gift for repairs to Church	3,000	-
Collections	-	465
	4,630	2,105

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2021 cont.

5 Income from investment properties	2021	2020
46 Kingsdown Crescent	9,060	8,820
Ilstington Graveyard	570	750
35 Valley Close	9,200	-
	18,830	9,570

6 Assessments

In order to respond to the impact of Covid 19 restrictions on church income the Circuit granted a holiday of three months on assessments in both the current period and the previous period.

In the opinion of the Trustees the effect of these two holidays will be to allow circuit churches to return to normal following the end of lockdown.

7 Other charitable income	2021	2020
Publications	331	421
Connexional funds	4,330	4,780
	4,661	5,201

8 Grants & Donations	2021	2020
The Avenue Church children & family worker	-	15,000
Plymouth & Exeter District training fund	-	465
Water Aid	-	702
South Molton & Ringsash Circuit	-	1,000
LWPT	200	200
Plymouth & Exeter District benevolent fund	120	140
Ivybridge Youth for Christ bus	600	600
The Avenue Church disabled toilets	-	30,000
Bude & Holsworthy market chaplain	1,000	1,000
	1,920	49,107

9 Paid employees	2021	2020
Staff costs incurred during the year were:		
Gross salaries and benefits in kind		
Ministers	116,841	138,655
Others	32,415	15,406
Travelling Expenses	4,995	8,867
	154,251	162,928

No employee was paid at a rate of more than £60,000 per annum.

	2021	2020
Average number of full time equivalent employees	6	5

10 Property expenses	2021	2020
Water rates	1,673	1,613
Council tax	6,496	7,750
Manses	12,874	2,494
Insurance	3,369	3,777
Building surveys	4,413	2,529
Church repairs	3,000	-
Let properties	3,502	1,164
	35,327	19,327

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Supernumerary fees	350	1,800
Training	-	214
Ilisington graveyard	450	400
Miscellaneous	3,866	4,941
Corbyn fund	4,000	4,000
Ilisington church	-	-
Apprentice levy	645	582
	9,311	11,937

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As at 31/08/2019	Funds expended	As at 31/08/2020	Funds expended	As at 31/08/2021
30,121	4,000	26,121	4,000	22,121

16 Payments to Trustees

6 of the paid employees are also trustees. There are 4 Presbyters (2020 - 4), 1 lay minister (2020 - 0), and two lay workers (2020 - 2), of whom one is an administrator whose cost is shared with a circuit church and the other is a pastoral assistant.

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No trustee is paid for services rendered in the capacity of a trustee.

Expenses payments are made to trustees to re-imburse expenditure incurred on behalf of the circuit.

	2021	2021	2020	2020
	£	Number of Trustees	£	Number of Trustees
Supernumerary fees	350	1	1,025	4
Travel	4,996	9	8,435	11
Other	6,207	9	6,672	8
	11,553		16,132	

17 Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At 31st August 2021 there are no capital commitments. (2020 - Nil)

No contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2021. (2020 - Nil)

18 Fees for examination of the accounts

No fees have been charged for accountancy or examination for the current year or in the previous year.