



# The Methodist Church

## Annual Report of the West Somerset Circuit (24/25)

*1<sup>st</sup> September 2020 - 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021*

### Reference and administrative details

- The West Somerset Circuit of the Methodist Church is a Registered Charity, No 1134273.
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### Managing Trustees

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## Churches and membership of the West Somerset Circuit

- Alcombe – 42 (including Bossington – 2 and Timberscombe – 4)
- Brendon Hill – 9
- Minehead – 34
- Porlock – 18
- Watchet – 25 (including Roadwater – 3)
- Williton – 13

*Acronyms used in this report are as follows:*

**WSC** – West Somerset Circuit

**CLT** – Circuit Leadership Team

**CLPD** – Continuing Local Preacher Development

**LA** – Local Arrangement

**LP** – Local Preacher

**LWP** – Leaders of Worship and Preachers

**WL** – Worship Leader

## Structure, governance and management

### Circuit Staff

*Presbyters*

Rev Nick Lakin

Rev Tim Woods (Authorised to serve)

*Lay pastoral and community worker*

Penny Williams

Rose Woods (Until March 2021)

*Children's & Families Worker*

Rebecca Edwards

*Administrator*

Jane Scott (Until Easter 2021)

Kerry Rackham (From June 2021)

### Circuit Stewards

Clive Wooldridge (Personnel)

Clive Longhurst (Property)

Lewis Lintern (Finance)

Rev Jane Sperring

Daphne West (Contact steward)

## **Leadership structure**

### **Circuit Meeting (Three meetings per year)**

All presbyters

All Supernumeraries

All Circuit Lay Employees

All Circuit Stewards

All fully accredited Local Preachers

All Circuit Officers

For each church, as appointed by their Church Council:

1 Church Steward and the Church Treasurer, plus additional representatives:

Alcombe 7 (including Bossington/2 and Timberscombe/2)

Minehead 6

Watchet 5 (including Roadwater/2)

Porlock 3

Williton 4 (including Washford/2)

Brendon Hill 1

### **CLT (Monthly)**

All presbyters

All Circuit Stewards

All Circuit Lay Employees

Circuit Meeting Secretary

### **Staff Meeting (Weekly)**

All presbyters

All Circuit Lay Pastoral Employees

## **Activities**

- **The WSC Mission Statement**

*'We are committed to working together as a Circuit to enable personal growth and every church to be a place of welcome, love and acceptance in the name of Jesus Christ.'*

WSC is run according to the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church in Great Britain. (Registered Charity No. 1132208.)

## **WORSHIP**

1. WSC produces in each quarter a plan for the worship of the whole circuit. The plan is produced by the circuit superintendent, assisted by the circuit administrator. The circuit administrator is responsible for gathering plan dates from preachers and churches and for circulating the plan after it has been finalised. The circuit superintendent is responsible for planning all communion services and other 'specials.'

2. All preachers (and visiting preachers, if applicable) are asked how many services they wish to take on each plan.

3. The LPs meet four times a year....

a) In September - the Annual Rededication of LPs takes place at this meeting

b) In November

c) In March

d) In June

4. All LP Meetings are chaired by the circuit superintendent. Other circuit officers include...

a) Jean Armin as LP Secretary and Circuit Tutor

b) Mentors are appointed for all LPs on note and on trial by the LP Meeting.

5. The Circuit seeks to encourage and foster links with ecumenical partners wherever possible.

6. Local church dedications (e.g. workers with children and young people, pastoral visitors etc) take place in each church at an appropriate time, decided by the respective Church Council.

7. On 23 March 2020, all circuit church buildings closed due to the national lockdown and remained closed for much of the 2020-2021 Connexional year. Worship was offered as a twice-weekly circuit zoom service at 10.30 am on Sunday mornings and at 7.30 pm on a Thursday evening. Weekly written devotions were circulated around the circuit electronically where possible, and in paper format if necessary. The church buildings at Minehead and Watchet opened for worship in December 2020, then closed again due the national lockdown that was called in January 2021. At Easter 2021, Minehead and Watchet Churches opened their buildings once again. At Pentecost 2021, Alcombe Church opened it's building for worship. In July 2021, Brendon Hill, Williton and Porlock churches opened their buildings for worship. At the end of the Connexional Year, all church buildings were open for live worship, although a number of people in each church community decided not to attend live worship but preferred to continue watching our zoom worship or other on-line worship instead of returning to live worship whilst the threat of COVID remained.

## **PASTORAL CARE**

The circuit superintendent minister has pastoral charge of all churches in the West Somerset Circuit. Pastoral care is carried out by the circuit Lay Pastoral and Community Worker assisted by the church pastoral group leaders. Circuit staff are kept informed of particular pastoral needs or requests by pastoral group leaders. Much of the pastoral support is undertaken by the pastoral group leaders in local churches. Meetings for the church pastoral group leaders takes place as and when required. The church pastoral committee meetings offer an opportunity for that church to identify its pastoral needs, offer training, share experiences and thereby to promote good practice. On 23 March 2020, all circuit church buildings closed due to the national lockdown

and remained closed for the remainder of the Connexional year. Pastoral support was offered via phone calls during this period.

## **DISCIPLESHIP, NURTURE and LEARNING**

Discipleship, Nurture and Learning in WSC covers a wide range of activities, which include...

- a) A regular pattern of worship, prayer and bible study across the circuit, including rites of passage: baptisms, weddings and funerals
- b) Annual Circuit Weekend Away
- c) Circuit services
- d) Circuit and church events for fellowship, fun and fundraising
- e) Training for workers with children and young people
- f) Messy Church, Summer 'Holiday Club', toddler groups and work with local schools
- g) Safeguarding training, in person and on-line
- h) Special worship occasions, including monthly 'Alternative Worship'
- i) Courses which help people understand the Bible
- j) Courses which help people relate their faith to current events and issues in our society.
- k) 'Friendship Centre' at Alcombe

*As stated above, the church buildings were closed due to the COVID pandemic for most of this Connexional year. This meant that most of the above activities and events ceased to happen, or only happened very occasionally and in 'reduced' ways.*

## **EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH**

WSC is committed to support, encourage and challenge the local churches in their life and mission. Evangelism and outreach is about having a presence in each neighbourhood as ambassadors for Christ; being salt and light in our communities. This involves making connections with the various groups who use our premises and moving outside the church buildings to make connections with the local community. The circuit also draws attention to other charitable agencies, such as Action for Children, MHA, All We Can etc.

## **PERSONNEL**

This area of life within WSC is best considered using three distinct headings...

### **1. Safeguarding**

Rebecca Edwards is the Circuit Safeguarding Officer who liaises between District, Circuit and individual churches on matters relating to safeguarding, and keeps the Circuit Meeting and the individual church councils (via the church reps) up to date with any changes in legislation and procedures. Each church holds a copy of the current Methodist Safeguarding Policy document and is required to adopt a suitable policy regarding safeguarding which is reviewed annually. Each church appoints a person responsible for the implementation of the safeguarding regulations, and the individual church's

policy on safeguarding. WSC runs the Creating Safer Space Foundation Module as and when required so that all those who need to attend this training are able to do so. DBS checks are carried out for all those for whom they are required.

## **2. Lay Employment**

The Circuit Stewards oversee Lay Employment in WSC. They are responsible for ensuring that all matters relating to the employment of lay circuit staff and lay people employed by individual churches comply with current legislation. The District Lay Employment Secretary is informed of all proposed new employment and employee changes in WSC.

## **3. Invitations/stationing**

Margaret Lintern, as senior Circuit Steward, is responsible for organising and overseeing the invitation process, as and when required. The invitation committee is appointed by the Circuit Meeting annually in the spring and will usually include at least two Circuit Stewards. The invitation committee adheres to the current Connexional guidelines.

## **COMMUNICATIONS**

The Circuit staff and LPs have a key role in communication as they travel around WSC. There is a Circuit magazine, 'The Messenger', published ten times per year. This magazine is a showcase for Circuit events. WSC produces a directory and a preacher's handbook to disseminate information and to aid communication. WSC has developed its own website, [www.westsomerset.2day.uk](http://www.westsomerset.2day.uk) Chaz Hardiman is the webmaster.

The Circuit Administrator has a key role in communicating with all the churches. Every circuit group and every church has a responsibility to aid communication and dissemination of information around the circuit.

## **PROPERTY**

Patrick Armin is the Circuit Steward responsible for church properties and circuit manses, supported by Jane Scott as Circuit Property Coordinator. Jane keeps an overview of all property matters within the life of WSC. Church Property Stewards made regular visits to the circuit church buildings during the national lockdown to check security and respond to any maintenance issues that arose.

## **Achievements and performance**

- **Main achievements of the year**

The CLT produces a comprehensive Circuit Directory and Circuit Preacher's Handbook, which are updated regularly. The Circuit Plan continues to be published quarterly.

The CLT continues to oversee lay employment in the circuit. Jane Scott continued in her role of Circuit Administrator until Easter 2021. Kerry Rackham was appointed as the new Circuit Administrator in June 2021. The Lay Pastoral & Community Workers support the life of the circuit pastorally: Penny Williams and Rose Woods, who resigned her post in March 2021. Rebecca Edwards continues in her role as the circuit Children & Families Worker, although during the COVID pandemic, her work has changed significantly to more of a management role, as she assisted the churches in producing risk assessments and she completed the Connexional training for Line Managers. The circuit continues to support the district initiative 'Christian Communities in Conversation', led by Lynne Wooldridge. Most of these meetings took place on-line.

## **Aims and Objectives for SMC during the period 01 09 20 - 31 08 21**

DURING THE COVID PANDEMIC, OUR CHURCH BUILDINGS WERE CLOSED FOR MUCH OF THE YEAR. HOWEVER, SOME PROGRESS WAS MADE TOWARDS FULFILLING THESE AIMS AND OBJECTIVES.

1. To review the mission, purpose and structure of WSC
2. To review the circuit staff roles working as part of the WSC staff team
3. To continue to hold a regular study group for LPs and WLs throughout the year
4. To hold safeguarding training, including both foundation and advanced sessions on-line

## **Financial Review**

*Audited accounts to be added here*

## **Public benefit statement**

The trustees of WSC have complied with their duty to have due regard to the guidance on public benefit published by the charity commission in exercising their responsibilities.

This annual report has been approved by the West Somerset Circuit Meeting held on 17 03 22.

Signed .....*N P LAKIN*..... (Chair of the Circuit Meeting)



**THE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

<b>West Somerset Methodist</b>	<b>Circuit</b>
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**  
**31 AUGUST 2021**

<b>District</b>	<b>Circuit no</b>	<b>24/25</b>
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**Registered Charity - Charity Registration number**

**1134273**

**If not a registered charity Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid number**

**30243**

(The HMRC number is equivalent to a registered charity number in terms of evidence of charitable status and may be used to give to donors or grant funders wishing to see evidence of the organisation's charitable status. Methodist charities in England and Wales that are not registered charities are excepted from registration under Statutory Instrument 2014 No.242 )

**Ministers:**

<b>Rev. N. Lakin</b>

**Circuit Stewards:**

<b>Mr Lewis Lintern</b>	<b>Mrs Margaret Lintern (resigned 24 June 2021)</b>
<b>Mr Patrick Armin (resigned 24 June 2021)</b>	<b>Mrs Jean Armin (resigned 24 June 2021)</b>
<b>Mrs Monica Sandy (resigned 17 November 2021)</b>	
<b>Mr Clive Longhurst (appointed 1 February 2021)</b>	
<b>Rev. Jane Sperring (appointed 1 February 2021)</b>	
<b>Mrs Daphne West (appointed 1 February 2021)</b>	
<b>Mr Clive Wooldridge (appointed 1 February 2021)</b>	

**Treasurer:**

<b>Mr Lewis Lintern (resigned 29 June 2022), Mr Timothy Hedgecock (appointed 29 June 2022)</b>
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**Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2021**

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2020-21
		£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>							
1 Donations and legacies		127	-	-	-	-	127
2 Income from monetary investments		148	226	-	-	-	374
3 Income from investment properties		-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Assessments on Churches		67,030	-	-	-	-	67,030
5 Capital Receipts		-	211,881	-	-	-	211,881
6 Grants received		-	-	-	3,760	-	3,760
7 Other charitable income		11,400	-	-	-	-	11,400
8 Total income		78,705	212,107	-	3,760	-	294,572
<b>Expenditure</b>							
9 Grants and donations		16,400	-	-	3,760	-	20,160
10 Salaries and associated costs		47,921	-	-	-	-	47,921
11 Property maintenance		5,940	-	-	-	-	5,940
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy		-	41,547	-	-	-	41,547
13 District Assessment & Levy		16,794	1,484	-	-	-	18,278
14 Depreciation		-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Office expenses		12,309	121	-	-	-	12,430
16 Other outgoings		1,875	-	-	-	-	1,875
17 Total charitable expenditure		101,239	43,151	-	3,760	-	148,150
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		-	(24)	-	-	-	(24)
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties		-	-	-	-	-	-
20 Net Income/(expenditure)		(22,534)	168,932	-	-	-	146,397
21 Transfers between funds		-	-	-	-	-	-
22 Other gains/(losses)		48,876	-	-	-	-	48,876
23 Net movement in funds		26,342	168,932	-	-	-	195,273
24 Total funds brought forward		1,033,557	59,340	-	7,061	-	1,099,958
25 Total funds carried forward		1,059,898	228,272	-	7,061	-	1,295,231



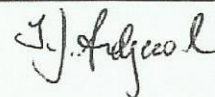
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		£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>							
1 Donations and legacies		208	-	-	-	-	208
2 Income from monetary investments		987	239	-	-	-	1,225
3 Income from investment properties		-	-	-	-	-	-
4 Assessments on Churches		81,120	-	-	-	-	81,120
5 Capital Receipts		-	-	-	-	-	-
6 Grants received		-	-	-	4,000	-	4,000
7 Other charitable income		15,880	-	-	-	-	15,880
8 Total income		98,194	239	-	4,000	-	102,433
<b>Expenditure</b>							
9 Grants and donations		5,550	-	-	4,000	-	9,550
10 Salaries and associated costs		49,902	-	-	-	-	49,902
11 Property maintenance		4,293	-	-	-	-	4,293
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy		-	-	-	-	-	-
13 District Assessment & Levy		19,143	683	-	-	-	19,826
14 Depreciation		-	-	-	-	-	-
15 Office expenses		13,837	63	-	-	-	13,901
16 Other outgoings		3,656	-	-	-	-	3,656
17 Total charitable expenditure		96,382	746	-	4,000	-	101,128
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		-	12	-	-	-	12
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties		-	-	-	-	-	-
20 Net income/(expenditure)		1,813	(496)	-	-	-	1,317
21 Transfers between funds		(32,500)	32,500	-	-	-	-
22 Other gains/(losses)		28,191	-	-	-	-	28,191
23 Net movement in funds		(2,486)	32,004	-	-	-	29,508
24 Total funds brought forward		1,036,053	27,336	-	7,061	-	1,070,450
25 Total funds carried forward		1,033,557	59,340	-	7,061	-	1,099,958

## Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2021

Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (Unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Totals 2020/21 £	Totals 2019/20 £
<b>Fixed Assets</b>							
Circuit Manses & Equipment	966,631					966,631	917,755
Investment properties	-			-	-	-	-
Investments	-	1,260	-	977	-	2,237	2,261
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>966,631</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>977</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>968,868</b>	<b>920,016</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>							
Debtors	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Loans by the Circuit	1,020	-	-	-	-	1,020	1,020
Investments with TMCP	-	133,503	-	-	-	133,503	58,056
Central Finance Board Deposits	87,516	-	-	6,084	-	93,600	114,470
Cash at Bank and in hand	6,056	-	-	3,500	-	9,556	7,415
Balance held by the solicitors		115,847					
<b>Total current assets</b>	<b>94,592</b>	<b>249,350</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>9,584</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>237,679</b>	<b>180,961</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>							
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	1,325	22,339	-	3,500	-	27,164	1,020
Grants payable within 2021-22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total current liabilities</b>	<b>1,325</b>	<b>22,339</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>3,500</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>27,164</b>	<b>1,020</b>
<b>Net current assets/liabilities</b>	<b>93,267</b>	<b>227,012</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>6,084</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>210,516</b>	<b>179,942</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>	<b>1,059,898</b>	<b>228,272</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,061</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,179,384</b>	<b>1,099,958</b>
<b>Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)</b>							
Grants payable after 2021-22						-	
Loans to the Circuit						-	
<b>Net assets</b>	<b>1,059,898</b>	<b>228,272</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,061</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,179,384</b>	<b>1,099,958</b>
<b>Funds of the Circuit</b>							
General Fund (Unrestricted)	1,059,898					1,059,898	1,033,556
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)		228,272				228,272	59,340
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)						-	-
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>						<b>1,288,170</b>	<b>1,092,897</b>
Restricted Funds				7,061		7,061	7,061
Endowment Funds						-	-
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>1,059,898</b>	<b>228,272</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>7,061</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,295,231</b>	<b>1,099,958</b>

Signed



Circuit Treasurer

T.J. HEDGECOCK



## Notes to the Accounts

### 1 Basis of accounting

These financial statements have been prepared in compliance with FRS 102, 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and the Republic of Ireland', the 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) (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

### 2 Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Circuit which are Unrestricted. The Circuit Model Trust Fund has wide purposes defined in Standing Orders and is categorised as unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

### 3 Accounting policies

#### Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year and the manses are shown at their insurance value, including contents. The accruals basis has been used to show a true and fair view of the Circuit's financial position and activities.

#### Income Recognition

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 the payment. When the grant is recurrent over more than one year the balance payable in future years is treated as a provision for future commitments in the Balance Sheet against the appropriate fund, the provision being released in future years as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

#### VAT

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

#### Tangible fixed assets for use by the Circuit

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

#### Investment Properties

Investment properties - no property is currently deemed to not be held for the long term investment purposes of the charity.

#### Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

#### Creditors

Creditors include expenses paid after 31 August 2021, Levy on sale of Williton Church and Exmoor Youth Project grant received from Plymouth & Exeter Methodist District on 31 August 2021 that was not transferred to EYP until September 2021.

#### Going Concern

There are no material uncertainties about the Circuit's ability to continue.

**West Somerset Methodist Circuit**

<b>4. Donations and legacies</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Circuit Model Trust Fund</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Donations	127			127	208
Legacies	-			-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>127</b>	<b>208</b>

<b>5. Charitable activities - other</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Circuit Model Trust Fund</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Manse rental income	11,400			11,400	11,400
Circuit weekend	-			-	4,480
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,400</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>11,400</b>	<b>15,880</b>

<b>6. Capital Receipts</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Circuit Model Trust Fund</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Proceeds on sale of Timberscombe MC	-	96,034	-	96,034	-
Proceeds on sale of Williton MC	-	115,847	-	115,847	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>211,881</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>211,881</b>	<b>-</b>

<b>7. Investment income</b>	<b>Unrestricted</b>	<b>Circuit Model Trust Fund</b>	<b>Restricted</b>	<b>2021 Total</b>	<b>2020 Total</b>
	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>£</b>
Central Finance Board	148	-	-	148	987
TMCP	-	226	-	226	239
Other	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>226</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>374</b>	<b>1,225</b>



**West Somerset Methodist Circuit**

**8. Payment to Trustees**

	This year	Last year
Payments made to trustees for additional services provided to the Circuit by agreement with the Circuit Meeting	£ 0	0

Number of trustees who were paid expenses	2	3
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Nature of the expenses

Expense payments primarily relate to reimbursement for travel, phone and stationery

Total amount paid	£ 1,100	2,531
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**9. Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	£ 570	570
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner	£ 570	570

**10. Paid employees**

Staff Costs paid during the year were:

Gross wages, salaries and benefits in kind	£ 36,817	37,749
Employer's National Insurance costs	£ 2,863	2,819
Pension costs	£ 6,970	6,757
Total staff costs	£ 46,650	47,325

Average number of staff employed during the year were:	2	2
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## 11 Tangible Fixed Assets

Detail of assets held:

Two manses: 13 King Edward Road, Minehead and 59A Doniford Road, Watchet.

Cost or valuation

	Residential Land £	Other Land £	Manses £	Other buildings £	Other fixed assets including motor vehicles £	Fixtures, fittings and equipment £	Payments on account and assets under construction £	Total £
Balance brought forward			886,416		-	31,339		917,755
Additions								-
Revaluations (+/-)			47,878			998		48,876
Disposals (-)								-
Transfers * (+/-)								-
Balance carried forward	-	-	934,294	-	-	32,337	-	966,631

Accumulated depreciation

\*\* Basis

\*\* Rate

SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB	SL or RB

Balance brought forward								-
Depreciation charge for year (-)								-
Revaluations (+/-)								-
Disposals (-)								-
Transfers* (+/-)								-
Balance carried forward	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Net book value								
Brought forward	-	-	886,416	-	-	31,339	-	917,755
Carried forward	-	-	934,294	-	-	32,337	-	966,631



## 12 Investments

The funds that support the Circuit Model Trust Fund and the Manses Fund are held by TMCP in Trustees Interest Funds on which interest is credited to the accounts each month. These are regarded as medium and long term investments.

TMCP is the legal owner and Custodian Trustee of all Methodist Model Trust property, including Legacies, Endowments and Accumulated Funds. Trust property is held for and on behalf of local Managing Trustees who are responsible for the day to day management of trust property. TMCP ensure that, through providing guidance and acting under their direction, the Managing Trustees comply with charity law and Methodist law and polity as determined by the Methodist Conference.

## Analysis of investment movements

		This year	Prev year
Investments listed on a recognised Stock Exchange		2,237	2,261
Investments held in common investment funds,			
Securities not listed on a recognised Stock Exchange			
Other investments			
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,237</b>	<b>2,261</b>

## Change in investment values

Carrying (market) value at beginning of year		2,261	2,250
Add: additions to investments at cost			
Less: disposals at carrying value			-
Net gain/(loss) on revaluation		(24)	12
Carrying (market) value at end of year		2,237	2,261

**13. Analysis of current assets**

Bank balance held in NatWest  
Bank balance held in CFB  
Bank balance held in TMCP  
Balance held by the solicitors  
  
Total Cash and Bank

**West Somerset Methodist****This year****Circuit****Last year****£****£**

£	9,556	7,415
£	93,600	114,470
£	133,503	58,056
£	116,867	-
£		
£	353,526	179,941

**14. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors**

Trade Creditors  
Other Creditors  
Total Current Liabilities

£	1,325	1,020
£	25,839	-
£	27,164	1,020

**15. Capital Commitments and Contingent Liabilities**

At the 31st August 2021 the Circuit has no capital commitments.  
No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2021.



## West Somerset Methodist Circuit

Charity Number 1134273

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the West Somerset Methodist Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 1 to 3. As the Circuit's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

### Independent Examiner's Statement

Since the charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a body listed in section 145 of the Act. I confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a member of ICAEW, which is one of the listed bodies.

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

I have not obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signature of independent examiner



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