

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING 31 AUGUST 2025

Objectives and Activities

The objectives of the charity are: Provision of public religious worship open to all; Promotion of prayer as a vital part of life; provision of pastoral care to all that require it; Promotion of education and training in the Christian faith; Support and nurturing worshipping communities; promotion of faith-based education and activity for the young.

The circuit was composed of 7 churches as at the end of August, with 3 meeting as a class of another church and Langholme.

Achievements

Many community coffee mornings, lunches and other activities have taken place to great appreciation of the well-being they brought to people's lives, many Christmas activities took place in various chapels. Lent courses took place in several chapels and there was a Good Friday service. Falmouth also held a celebration for Tenebrae. Revive is held monthly to give an alternative style of worship and fellowship in the evening. Circuit Breakfasts have taken place and a circuit service was held to say welcome to Mo Lawson Wills. Falmouth has purchased a building.

Financial Review.

The accounts for the year showed a decrease in value as we had quite a large deficit. We had a lot of expenditure on properties as Falmouth bought the property. We also had 2 ministers for 10 months of this year despite only budgeting for one minister. We should have a reserve fund to meet exigencies within the running costs of the circuit. These are about 6 months costs and are about £70 000. The balance as at 31st August 2025 was £31542.35 in the Central Finance Board and the working capital in the current account at Lloyds was £4750.22 with £58.80 in the savings account

Structure, government and management

The governing document is laid out on the Charity Commission website. We are a part of the Methodist Church in Britain and are part of the South West Peninsula District who offer some oversight of our governance. The Circuit Meeting has an average of 40 members acting as Trustees. Other than officers who are on the body because of the role they hold, serving members are as set out in the Methodist Church Constitution, Practice and Doctrine and are elected annually by local church members and various circuit working groups. The day-to-day management is exercised under the leadership of the Superintendent Minister together with the Ministers, Circuit Stewards and Volunteer Admin who meet regularly. The circuit complies with the Safeguarding requirements of the Methodist church, this includes an annual review of the policy, keeping training up to date and displaying relevant information for all users of the various buildings within the Circuit.

Staffing

An average of two people were employed during the year: Rev Jonathan Froggatt (Superintendent Minister) and Rev Morwenna Lawson-Wills (Minister) for 10 months. Rev Celia Phillips and Rev Andrew Mumford are supernumerary ministers

Reference and administrative details

The Charity is known as the Falmouth and Gwennap Methodist Circuit, The List of Trustees is available on the Charity Commission Website; the senior Trustees at year end were Rev Jonathan Froggatt (Superintendent Minister), Rev Morwenna Lawson-Wills (Minister) Rev Celia Phillips (Supernumerary) Rev Andrew Mumford (Supernumary) Circuit Stewards —Mrs Tracy Lyall, Mr Giles Richards, Mrs Jo Walker, Mr Thomas Rowse, Mrs Lucille Rowse and Miss Jean Whetham (Treasurer) The Charity is blessed by so many people giving their time and talents as well as financial giving for the life of the circuit, each church and in the community.

Date of Approval by Falmouth and Gwennap circuit trustees 9th December 2025

Falmouth and Gwennap Methodist Circuit
Policy of Circuit Financial Reserves

The trustees of Methodist organisations must be accountable for all the money that comes into their hands. The general aim of any charity must be to expend those funds for the purposes of the charity, rather than to hoard them for some unspecified future purpose.

Money that comes in for a specific purpose is recorded as Restricted Funds. This may only be spent for the purpose it was given. These are noted in the general fund and transferred to the Central Finance Board Account if and when appropriate.

We have endowments and the money from the sale of Lanner, Mawnan, Penryn, Carnkie, Flushing and Treverva held in the Circuit Model Trust Fund (Formerly Circuit Advance Fund)

The other money is the General Fund, known as the Current Account. As a general rule we will endeavour to keep six months expenditure in our reserves and this money will be kept in the Central Finance Board Account. This is to be used if we have an emergency and we do not have enough in our general account to pay the bills.

This policy is to be approved and adopted by the Circuit Meeting of the Falmouth and Gwennap Methodist Circuit on 9th December 2025

Signed


Rev Jonathan Froggatt - Chair

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Falmouth and Gwennap	Circuit
----------------------	---------

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2025**

SW Peninsula	District	Circuit no	37/5
--------------	----------	------------	------

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1134291

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

--

(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:

Rev Jonathan Froggatt
Rev Morwenna Lawson-Wills

Circuit Stewards:

Jo Walker
Tracy Lyall
Giles Richards
Lucille Rowse
Thomas Rowse
Jean Whetham

Treasurer:

Jean Whetham

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	Note	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share		121,130		121,130	121,581
a3	Capital receipts			228,042	228,042	270,133
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		2,960	62,654	3,699	83,922
a5	Grants					1,500
a6	Other receipts		7,624	17	7,641	19,425
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS		131,714	62,671	231,741	426,126 (a8)

SECTION B		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs		81,408		81,408	85,937
b3	Manse Costs		4,597	25,000	29,597	63,827
b4	Administration etc		5,142		5,142	5,894
b5	District Assessment		34,120		34,120	35,920
b6	Grants & donations					1,500
b7	Property			650,000	650,000	
b8	Other payments		49,941	105,689	7,000	232,122
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS		175,208	755,689	32,000	962,897 (b9)

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	(43,494)	(693,018)	199,741	(536,771)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		79,570	1,464,363	29,985	1,573,918 (c6)
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	36,076	771,345	229,726	1,037,147
c4	Transfers and adjustments		32,000	(32,000)		(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	68,076	739,345	229,726	1,037,147 (c8)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
d	FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (these amounts should not be included in total receipts/payments above)					
d1	Balance brought forward from last year				1,268	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations					
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				1,095	
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)				173	

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING**SECTION E**

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Circuit accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Circuit Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross receipts and payments totals of the Circuit. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold of £250,000, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the Circuit and connected Circuit Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS		Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1	Hendra	1,841	1,145	696		35,807	36,503
e2							
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,841	1,145	696		35,807 (e11)	36,503 (e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	426,126 (a8)	962,897 (b9)	(536,771)	(c7)	1,573,918 (c6)	1,037,147 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	427,967	964,042	(536,075)		1,609,725 (x)	1,073,650 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	6,002	4,750
f3 Bank Deposit Account		59
f4 Central Finance Board	73,568	31,542
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	1,494,348	1,000,796
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL	1,573,918 (c6)	1,037,147 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	35,807 (e11)	36,503 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	1,609,725 (x)	1,073,650 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	127392	137480
g2 Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	2,200,000	2,200,000
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only CFB Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trust accounts this is inserted in line f5)

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of treasurer Jean Whetham Date 9/12/25

Name and address of treasurer Jean Whetham

4, Greenfields Close, Mawnan Smith Falmouth TR11 5EX

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on 9th December 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting Jonathan Froggatt

Name of the Chair of the meeting Jonathan Froggatt Date 9th December 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Falmouth and Gwennap Circuit

Charity Number

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Falmouth & Gwennap Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages ... to 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.

* delete or circle as appropriate

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 (other than that disclosed below*) 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/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 

Name of independent examiner John Burns

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner A.C.M.A.

Name of firm (where appropriate) John Burns

Address 8, Woodland Avenue

..... Penryn, Cornwall Post Code TR12 8PF

Date 24/02/26

* delete or circle as appropriate

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Falmouth and Gwennap	Circuit
----------------------	---------

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2025**

SW Peninsula	District	Circuit no	37/5
--------------	----------	------------	------

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1134291

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

--

(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:

Rev Jonathan Froggatt
Rev Morwenna Lawson-Wills

Circuit Stewards:

Jo Walker
Tracy Lyall
Giles Richards
Lucille Rowse
Thomas Rowse
Jean Whetham

Treasurer:

Jean Whetham

SECTION A			Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share		121,130			121,130	121,581
a3	Capital receipts				228,042	228,042	270,133
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		2,960	62,654	3,699	69,313	83,922
a5	Grants						1,500
a6	Other receipts		7,624	17		7,641	19,425
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS		131,714	62,671	231,741	426,126 (a8)	496,561

SECTION B							
b1	PAYMENTS						
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs		81,408			81,408	85,937
b3	Manse Costs		4,597		25,000	29,597	63,827
b4	Administration etc		5,142			5,142	5,894
b5	District Assessment		34,120			34,120	35,920
b6	Grants & donations						1,500
b7	Property			650,000		650,000	
b8	Other payments		49,941	105,689	7,000	162,630	232,122
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS		175,208	755,689	32,000	962,897 (b9)	425,200

SECTION C							
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	(43,494)	(693,018)	199,741	(536,771)	71,361
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		79,570	1,464,363	29,985	1,573,918 (c6)	1,502,557
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	36,076	771,345	229,726	1,037,147	1,573,918
c4	Transfers and adjustments		32,000	(32,000)			
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	68,076	739,345	229,726	1,037,147 (c8)	1,573,918 (c6)

SECTION D						
d	FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (these amounts should not be included in total receipts/payments above)					
d1	Balance brought forward from last year				1,268	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations					
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				1,095	
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)				173	

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING**SECTION E**

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Circuit accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Circuit Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross receipts and payments totals of the Circuit. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold of £250,000, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the Circuit and connected Circuit Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS		Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1	Hendra	1,841	1,145	696		35,807	36,503
e2							
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,841	1,145	696		35,807 (e11)	36,503 (e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	426,126 (a8)	962,897 (b9)	(536,771)	(c7)	1,573,918 (c6)	1,037,147 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	427,967	964,042	(536,075)		1,609,725 (x)	1,073,650 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	6,002	4,750
f3 Bank Deposit Account		59
f4 Central Finance Board	73,568	31,542
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	1,494,348	1,000,796
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL	1,573,918 (c6)	1,037,147 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)	35,807 (e11)	36,503 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT	1,609,725 (x)	1,073,650 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	127392	137480
g2 Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	2,200,000	2,200,000
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
g5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only CFB Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trust accounts this is inserted in line f5)

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of treasurer Jean Whetham Date 9/12/25

Name and address of treasurer Jean Whetham

4, Greenfields Close, Mawnan Smith Falmouth TR11 5EX

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on 9th December 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting Jonathan Froggatt

Name of the Chair of the meeting Jonathan Froggatt Date 9th December 2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Falmouth and Gwennap Circuit

Charity Number

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Falmouth & Gwennap Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages ... to 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.

* delete or circle as appropriate

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 (other than that disclosed below*) 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/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 

Name of independent examiner John Burns

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner A.C.A.A.

Name of firm (where appropriate) John Burns

Address 8, Woodland Avenue

..... Penryn, Cornwall Post Code TR12 8PF

Date 24/02/26

* delete or circle as appropriate