

# THE METHODIST CHURCH, POULTON LE FYLDE

England & Wales · Charity number 1134343

## Details

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Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2010-02-16
Register	<a href="#">View on the Charity Commission register</a>

## Contact

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Address	Poulton Le Fylde Methodist Church Queensway Poulton-Le-Fylde FY6 7ST
Phone	01253884937
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## Activities

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**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 Activities and service to the community

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

## Geography

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

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£441,807	£148,480	-	-
2023-08-31	£126,565	£187,625	-	-
2022-08-31	£118,331	£93,403	-	-
2021-08-31	£113,207	£101,444	-	-
2020-08-31	£96,117	£101,189	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Andrew David Sutcliffe		2018-04-12
BARBARA HELEN BANES		2012-06-12
BETTY MARGARET PILKINGTON		2012-06-13
CAROL ANN SYKES		2016-10-10
Dr ALAN SYKES OBE		2012-06-12
Dr Richard Ronald Rhodes		2014-05-01
EILEEN ALICE GEE		
FRANCES MAY GANDHI SRN		
GILLIAN RHODES		
GRAHAM KAY		2015-05-01
Irene Burtonwood		2021-03-11
Keith Bleazard		2023-09-21
Ralph Whittingham		2015-05-01
SYLVIA ANNE HOULDSWORTH		
Sarah Jane Stone		2021-03-11

**THE METHODIST CHURCH, POULTON LE FYLDE**

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# Accounts

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Poulton Methodist Church  
Annual Charity Commission Report  
Year ending 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024



The Poulton le Fylde Methodist Church Council has the responsibility of working with its ministers the Reverend Will Hunter and Rev Sarah Lamb in promoting the whole mission, spiritual, pastoral, social and ecumenical of the Church.

Our aims in Poulton-le-Fylde Methodist Church are that, as a church we will learn of and proclaim the love of God through our worship and fellowship, nurturing disciples and making new followers; and through our work, witness and giving serve God in furthering God's mission for those in our community and wider world.

### **Worship and prayer**

The year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2023 represented the second full year in which it could be said there was little impact on Church activity from the Covid pandemic though it was clear a number of our congregation since last year were no longer able to worship in person. We continued to stream all Sunday 10.30 am services but as planned, invested to improve the technology used to film and make them available via YouTube to make them more accessible. The streamed services continued to be positively received by members and non-members alike including the residents of two Methodist Care Homes. A monthly midweek service continued to be held with regular monthly services rotating around all churches in the North Fylde Circuit. This enables a sharing together with our Methodist friends and a strengthening of relationships between the churches.

Our Messy Church for families with young children continues to meet on the fourth Saturday of the month followed by a family All Age Worship service the next day which involves a puppet show.

The church has an active prayer group which confidentially shares prayer requests with one another by email and meets twice a month. The Flower Ministry continues and is much appreciated by recipients who are unwell, have lost a loved one or are experiencing hard times.

### **Spiritual and recreational fellowship groups**

Illumin8 our young people's group (School Year 6 and above) again visited "3Generate" at the NEC in October 2023 (the national children's and youth assembly of the Methodist Church) and continues to meet regularly on Sunday teatimes.

The Bible Study group meets every 2 weeks excluding Lent when joint weekly meetings are held with friends from other Poulton churches through "Poulton Churches Together". The

CAMEO and FOCUS continued to meet again, as did the Indoor Bowling group and Badminton group. Twice monthly, on Saturdays, walking groups take to the hills and fells.

### **Pastoral Care in the Church**

Each church member has a pastoral visitor to provide a listening ear and support in times of need. This activity continues to be a highly appreciated and valuable aspect of our Church life.

### **Our church in Our Community**

Our Church buildings are busier than ever. Three choirs now practice in our Sanctuary each week and community groups of all ages and backgrounds use our buildings e.g. The Blackout Youth Theatre Group, Alzheimer's support group "Singing for the Brain", Parkinsons UK Exercise Group, Pilates, Photographic Society, Badminton Group, Alcohol Support Group etc..

We support and host weekly Rainbows, Squirrels, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts meetings.

Our Coffee Shop, "Coffee Plus" has continued to attract new customers seeing growth in numbers and profitability. The warmth of the welcome has encouraged new people to become volunteers and others to join our Church.

Our Methodist Church Charity Shop in Chapel Street reopened towards the end of the last financial year after refurbishment. It provides a retail outlet for local charities and voluntary organisations to rent the premises weekly to raise much-needed funds.

### **The Wider Church**

Poulton Churches Together activities continued especially through joint acts of worship and study meetings during Lent.

We are part of "The North Fylde Circuit of the Methodist Church" along with another five churches and have started holding more joint services with them as detailed above. We all share 3 ministers and a Children's and Families Lay Worker.

### **Engagement with and support of mission in the wider world and local and national charities**

Numerous charities, locally (Vincent House, Comfort CAFÉ, Blackpool Children's Clothing Fund) nationally (Action for Children) and internationally (The Leprosy Mission, All We Can, Open Doors, Barnabas Aid and Christian Aid) have been generously supported financially. In addition, we have an enduring relationship with Maua Methodist Hospital, Kenya and our support for the hospital continues.

### **Safeguarding and GDPR**

Full compliance with safeguarding training and certification was undertaken with a nominated lead person overseeing this. Similarly, adherence to GDPR regulations was maintained to keep all data secure, with particular reference to new data providers and data holders.

## Looking forward

We continue to actively seek ways to evolve and be relevant in our community whilst staying loyal to our fundamental calling. We engage newsletters, posters and digitally via our Facebook page, website plus local social media (e.g. Poulton Chat), with further outreach via our new YouTube channel.

Our biggest challenges remain maintaining our children's activities, increasing the involvement of families in our church life and bringing more people to faith each year to grow our worshipping congregation and membership. Inevitably unless we do so our numbers will slowly decline.

## Financial Review

The Financial Statements at the end of the year report an increase in total income of £315,272 (from £126,535 to £441,807) when comparing this year with last. This was a result of the receipt of several legacies amounting to £331,347. Expenditure remained high with the ongoing need to invest in the Church infrastructure. Church Council approved projects for further roof repairs plus the upgrades to our Sanctuary Screens and Streaming Solution amounted to £65,563. The receipt of the new legacies (which have no restrictions on their use) helped fund the extra expenditure and has ensured a resilient financial position at the close of this financial year.

The Church's Finance and Property Committee is fully aware of the financial position and challenges including the need to fund further roof repairs in the next 12 months. It continues to actively manage the implementation of a rolling five-year budget. The Church complies with The Methodist Church capital reserves policy. It is our policy to invest funds with the Trustees for Methodist Purposes (TMCP) and the Methodist Central Finance Board (CFB).

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Signed on behalf of the Church Council by Rev Will Hunter (Presbyter),  
Rev Sarah Lamb (Presbyter) and David Sutcliffe (Church Finance Team Lead).

Rev Will Hunter  
(Presbyter)

*Rev. W. Hunter*

Date 26/06/2025

Rev Sarah Lamb  
(Presbyter)

*S. Lamb*

Date 26/06/2025

Mr Andrew David Sutcliffe  
(Church Finance Team Lead)

*A. David Sutcliffe*

Date 26/06/2025

## **Trustees' Annual Report on Finance and Governance**

### **Basis of preparation and legal framework**

The Charity's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, using Receipts and Payments method.

Full Name of Charity / Church:	Poulton Methodist Church
Registration Charity Number:	1134343
Date of registration:	16th February 2010
Main communication address:	The Methodist Church, Queensway, Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire, FY6 7ST

The members of the Poulton Methodist Church Council are the Charity Trustees, membership is made up of the Minister, Church office holders, Committee representatives and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full membership on 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 is shown as Appendix A to this report.

**Independent examiner:** Leanne Nield ACA, Arc Accountancy Solutions Limited,  
51 Laverton Road, Lytham St. Annes, Lancashire, FY8 1EN

### **Public Benefit**

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and the Methodist Church Act (1976).

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual Conference (CPD).

Day-to-day management of the church is undertaken by the Minister, Church Stewards and Church Officers.

The Trustees are appointed at the Church Annual Church General Meeting.

Appendix A

Poulton Methodist Church

Church Council Membership as at 31st August 2024

**Ministers**

Rev Will Hunter

Rev Sarah Lamb

**Church Stewards**

Irene Burtonwood  
Ralph Whittingham

Anthony Cripps  
Janice Whittle

Helene Stephens

**Secretary to the Council**

David Sutcliffe

**Church Treasurer**

Keith Bleazard

**General Church Representatives** (elected by the Annual General Church Meeting)

Alan Banes  
Brenda Kirkham  
Bob Shaddick  
Carol Sykes

Barbara Banes  
David Latham  
Sue Shaddick  
Janet Walsh

May Gandhi  
Betty Pilkington  
Sarah Stone  
Wes Walsh

**Appointed Representatives** (appointed by the Church Council)

Eileen Gee  
Gill Rhodes

Graham Kay  
Alan Sykes

Jenifer Pearson

**POULTON METHODIST CHURCH  
INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT  
For the Year Ended 31st August 2024**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Poulton Methodist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2024 which are set out on pages 7 – 15.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the Charity's 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 the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

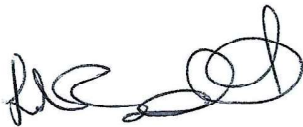
**Independent examiner's statement**

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of the Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales (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 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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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 a matter 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 the accounts to be reached.



Leanne Nield ACA  
Arc Accountancy Solutions Limited  
51 Laverton Road  
Lytham St. Annes  
Lancashire  
FY8 1EN

Date: 27/6/25

POULTON METHODIST CHURCH  
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
For the Year Ended 31st August 2024

	Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2023-24	Total 2022-23
		£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Income</b>							
1 Offerings		53,050				53,050	56,669
2 Donations and legacies	4	180	331,548		20	331,748	619
3 Gift aid		11,548				11,548	12,068
4 Interest and investment income		1,127	4,028	288	2,875	8,318	4,246
5 Income from property lettings	5	31,104				31,104	34,274
6 Internal organisations			1,283			1,283	1,383
7 Fundraising income	6					0	2,619
7 Other charitable income	7	1,339				1,339	14,657
22 Collections received for external organisations	8	3,417				3,417	3,737
<b>8 Total income</b>		<b>101,765</b>	<b>336,859</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>2,895</b>	<b>441,807</b>	<b>126,535</b>
<b>Expenditure</b>							
9 Circuit assessment or share		55,000				55,000	55,400
10 Grants and donations	9	500				500	758
11 Property maintenance	10	48,534	7,880			56,414	105,035
12 Insurance, utilities etc		16,657				16,657	9,821
13 Depreciation						0	
14 Office expenses	11	11,754	15	18	249	12,036	6,274
15 Other expenditure	12	642		914	1,803	3,359	5,190
16 Internal organisations		126	1,686			1,812	1,468
23 Collections passed onto external organisations	8	2,702				2,702	-3,677
<b>17 Total charitable expenditure</b>		<b>135,915</b>	<b>9,581</b>	<b>932</b>	<b>2,052</b>	<b>148,480</b>	<b>183,946</b>
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments				170	5,949	6,119	(3,709)
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0	
<b>20 Net income/(expenditure)</b>		<b>(34,150)</b>	<b>327,278</b>	<b>(474)</b>	<b>6,792</b>	<b>299,446</b>	<b>(61,060)</b>
21 Transfers between funds		2,072			(2,072)	0	0
22 Other gains/(losses)						0	0
<b>23 Net movement in funds</b>		<b>(32,078)</b>	<b>327,278</b>	<b>(474)</b>	<b>4,720</b>	<b>299,446</b>	<b>(61,060)</b>
24 Total funds brought forward		85,820	9,817	7,172	89,500	192,309	253,369
<b>25 Total funds carried forward</b>		<b>53,742</b>	<b>337,095</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>94,220</b>	<b>491,755</b>	<b>192,309</b>

**POULTON METHODIST CHURCH**  
**BALANCE SHEET**  
as at 31st August 2024

Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Totals 2024	Totals 2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed Assets</b>						
Church building and other property					0	0
Investment properties					0	0
TMCP Investments (Managed Funds)				93,283	93,283	87,334
<b>Total fixed assets</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>93,283</b>	<b>93,283</b>	<b>87,334</b>
<b>Current Assets</b>						
Debtors and prepayments	15	16,639			16,639	16,144
Investments and loans by the Church	17	7,970			7,970	7,970
TMCP Investments (Deposit Account)			291,326	8,712	298,038	7,446
Central Finance Board Deposits		14,326	1,420		15,746	19,380
Furness Building Society Account		322			322	15,211
CAF Bank		14,766	1,674		16,440	37,959
Lloyds Bank				697	1,592	2,289
Unity Bank		4,500	42,176	(711)	(655)	45,310
Cash and current accounts - various groups			499		499	904
Cash float		231			231	0
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>58,754</b>	<b>337,095</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>403,484</b>
<b>Current liabilities</b>						
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	16	5,012			5,012	3,110
Grants payable within 2022-23					0	
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>5,012</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,012</b>
<b>Net current assets/liabilities</b>		<b>53,742</b>	<b>337,095</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>937</b>	<b>398,472</b>
<b>Total assets less current liabilities</b>		<b>53,742</b>	<b>337,095</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>94,220</b>	<b>491,755</b>
<b>Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)</b>						
Grants payable after 2022-23					0	0
Loans to the Church					0	0
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>53,742</b>	<b>337,095</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>94,220</b>	<b>491,755</b>
<b>Funds of the Church</b>						
General Fund (Unrestricted)	18	53,742			53,742	66,020
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)	19		337,095		337,095	9,817
<b>Total Unrestricted Funds</b>					<b>390,837</b>	<b>96,637</b>
Restricted Funds	20			6,698	6,698	7,172
Endowment Funds	21				94,220	94,220
<b>Total Funds</b>		<b>53,742</b>	<b>337,095</b>	<b>6,698</b>	<b>94,220</b>	<b>491,755</b>

The charity is entitled to exemption from audit under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011. The trustees have opted for an independent examination instead of an audit. No member has required the charity to obtain an audit under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements are approved on behalf of all the Church Council by:

Signature A David Sutcliffe

Name ANDREW DAVID SUTCLIFFE

Church Council Position FINANCE TEAM LEAD

Date 26/06/25

POULTON METHODIST CHURCH  
NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
For the Year Ended 31st August 2024

**Notes to the Accounts**

**1 Basis of accounting**

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with SORP (FRS102) as updated, being the current version of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice.

**2 Funds**

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Designated unrestricted funds are funds set aside by the trustees for a future purpose. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose. Endowment funds are funds held for capital investment with the income generated used for the ongoing operations of the church. Details of each material fund are disclosed in the notes to these accounts. 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, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

**Incoming Resources**

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church 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 Church to pay out resources.

**Grants**

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

**VAT**

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

**Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church**

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

**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.

**Debtors and Prepayments**

Debtors are stated at the amounts owed to the Circuit, prepaid, or the gift aid donation debtor received from Poulton Methodist Church Coffee Shop Ltd.

**Creditors and Accruals**

Creditors include various liabilities outstanding at the year end.

POULTON METHODIST CHURCH  
 NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
 For the Year Ended 31st August 2024

**4 Donations and Legacies**

	Unrestricted general 2024	Designated 2024	Permanent Endowment 2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£
Legacies	-	331,347	-	331,347	69
Donations – benevolent fund	-	200	-	200	-
Donations - other	180	25	20	225	550
<b>Total</b>	<b>180</b>	<b>331,572</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>331,772</b>	<b>619</b>

**5 Income from Property Lettings**

	2024	2023
	£	£
Playgroup	4,000	8,796
Chapel Street office rents	2,750	2,896
Blackpool Male Voice Choir	1,490	3,170
Coffee Shop to cleaning, light, heat and power	5,400	4,200
Others	17,464	15,212
<b>Total</b>	<b>31,104</b>	<b>34,274</b>

All income is unrestricted.

**6 Fundraising income**

	Unrestricted 2024	Designated 2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Spring fayre	-	-	-	1,081
Development fund	-	-	-	1,431
Funeral fees	-	-	-	107
<b>Total</b>	-	-	-	<b>2,619</b>

**7 Other charitable income**

	Unrestricted 2024	Designated 2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£
Miscellaneous	1,339	-	1,339	2,763
Circuit grant (contribution towards roof repairs)	-	-	-	10,000
Poulton Methodist Church Coffee Shop Ltd gift-aid donation	-	-	-	1,894
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,339</b>	<b>14,657</b>

POULTON METHODIST CHURCH  
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**8 Collections received and passed on to external organisations**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Amounts brought forward	60	-
Money raised for external organisations	3,417	3,737
Money paid out to external organisations	(2,702)	(3,677)
<b>Money outstanding to pay to external organisations</b>	<b>775</b>	<b>60</b>

£715 PMC Summer Fayre donation: £350 to be passed on to Bowland Pennine Mountain Rescue, £120 RLNI Fleetwood, £120 Sam's Place, £125 North West Air Ambulance.  
 £60 to Bone Cancer paid early 2024-25.

**9 Church donations paid**

	<b>2024</b>		<b>2023</b>
	£		£
<b>2024 donations paid</b>		<b>2023 donations paid</b>	
<b>General Fund</b>		<b>General Fund</b>	
PMC Connexional Funds	400	Royal British legion	50
Vincent House	100	Churches Together	50
		<b>Designated – Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>	
		Vincent House	92
		Street Life	210
		Trinity Hospice	171
		Alzheimer's Society	123
		Mersey Ships	61
<b>Total</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>758</b>

**10 Property maintenance**

	<b>Unrestricted 2024</b>	<b>Designated 2024</b>	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£	£	£
Roof repairs	-	-	-	43,800
Audio works	-	-	-	21,763
Air conditioning etc	-	-	-	6,772
Cleaning	21,243	-	21,243	16,463
Coffee shop frontage	9,000	-	9,000	-
Rear of building works	6,444	-	6,444	-
Re-rendering	-	7,880	7,880	-
Other	11,847	-	35,171	16,237
<b>Total</b>	<b>48,534</b>	<b>7,880</b>	<b>56,414</b>	<b>105,035</b>

POULTON METHODIST CHURCH  
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**11 Office related expenditure**

	Unrestricted 2024	Designated 2024	Restricted 2024	Endowment 2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Printing, Link, Wi-fi & communications	2,143	-	-	-	2,143	2,521
IT related costs	1,278	-	-	-	1,278	-
Bank charges	232	15	18	249	514	652
Legal & professional fees	6,501	-	-	-	6,501	1,501
IE fee	1,600	-	-	-	1,500	1,600
<b>Total</b>	<b>11,754</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>12,036</b>	<b>6,274</b>

**12 Other expenditure**

	Unrestricted 2024	Designated 2024	Restricted 2024	Endowment 2024	2024	2023
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Organist & organ maintenance	-	-	-	498	498	1,001
Catering	-	-	-	-	-	275
Worship related expenses	120	-	913	-	1,033	-
Various miscellaneous sundries	322	-	-	-	322	2,708
Youth work – 3Gen expenses, less grants	200	-	-	400	600	667
Youth work – Messy church net costs & books for school visitation	-	-	-	905	905	539
<b>Total</b>	<b>642</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>1,803</b>	<b>3,358</b>	<b>5,190</b>

**13 Fees for examination or audit of the accounts**

	2024 £	2023 £
Independent examiner's or auditors' fees for reporting on the accounts	1,600	1,600
Other fees (eg: advice, accountancy services) paid to the independent examiner or auditor	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,600</b>	<b>1,600</b>

**14 Payments to trustees**

	2024 £	2023 £
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 relating to trustee duties	0	0
Total amount paid	0	0
There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2024 or the year ended 31 August 2023.		

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**15 Debtors and prepayments**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
Electronic solar panel 'feed in tariff'	500	500
Circuit contribution to The Fylde North Circuit	13,750	13,750
Electricity overpayments (charges higher than actual usage)	583	-
Prepayments (expenses and Methodist insurance)	1,806	-
Gift-aid donation debtor from Poulton Methodist Church Coffee Shop Ltd	-	1,894
<b>Total</b>	<b>16,639</b>	<b>16,144</b>

All debtors are unrestricted (general).

**16 Creditors and accruals**

	<b>2024</b>	<b>2023</b>
	£	£
The Holt Trust Income	1,509	1,509
IE fee	1,600	1,600
Various August invoices	1,903	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>5,012</b>	<b>3,109</b>

All creditors are unrestricted (general).

**17 Investments and Loans by the Church**

The Church has 1 £1 ordinary share in Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Limited.

A loan was made to Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Limited, totalling £7,697. The loan is unsecured, interest free and repayable on demand.

**18 Detailed analysis of general unrestricted fund movements**

Unrestricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers & Reclassification	Gain/(losses)	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
General	85,820	101,765	(135,815)	2,072	-	53,842	The general purposes of the Circuit
Totals	<b>85,820</b>	<b>101,765</b>	<b>(135,815)</b>	<b>2,072</b>	-	<b>53,842</b>	

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**19 Detailed analysis of designated unrestricted fund movements**

Designated Unrestricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers & Reclassification	Gain/(losses)	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
<b>Internal organisations</b>							
- The Flower Fund	309	1,258	(1,342)	-	-	223	
- The Gardening Club	479	25	(344)	-	-	160	
- The Indoor Bowling Club	115	-	-	-	-	115	
<b>Internal organisations total</b>	<b>903</b>	<b>1,283</b>	<b>(1,686)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>500</b>	
Property Fund Renewal	2,459	65	-	-	-	2,524	The general purposes of the Circuit
Benevolent Fund	109	200	-	-	-	309	
Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund	6,346	335,311	(7,895)	-	-	333,762	No restriction for use
<b>Totals</b>	<b>9,817</b>	<b>336,859</b>	<b>(9,581)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>337,095</b>	

**20 Detailed analysis of restricted fund movements**

Restricted Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers & Reclassification	Gain/(losses)	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund (TMCP) – 10404A	7,172	288	(932)	-	170	6,698	Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC
<b>Totals</b>	<b>7,172</b>	<b>288</b>	<b>(932)</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>6,698</b>	

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**21 Detailed analysis of permanent endowment fund movements**

Permanent Endowment Fund Name	Opening Balance	Incoming Resources	Resources Expended	Transfers & Reclassification	Gain/(losses)	Closing Balance	Purpose of the fund
Endowment capital funds (TMCP)	87,334	-	-	-	5,949	93,283	Capital funds held by the charity for investment
Investment funds from Ron & Betsy Holt Fund	0	2,263	(191)	(2,072)	-	0	Income to harvest collection each year (general unrestricted fund)
Investment funds from Parkinson Memorial Fund	467	112	(913)	-	-	(334)	To assist in Christian training of young people
Investment funds from Edna Bowman Fund	1,699	199	(424)	-	-	1,474	Income to be used to assist young people to travel on church organised ventures
Investment funds from Norah Edgar Fund	0	321	(524)	-	-	(203)	Furtherance of musical life at PMC
Totals	89,500	2,895	(2,052)	(2,072)	5,949	94,220	

**22 Related party transactions**

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Annual contribution	£	
	5,400	<i>included in Note 5</i>
Gift-aid donation*	-	<i>included in Note 7 &amp; 15</i>
	<u>5,400</u>	

\* No gift-aid donation was included in the current year accounts due to the total net surplus (if any) of the company unknown at the time of approving the Church's accounts. Any surplus made will therefore be passed on as a gift-aid donation in the 2024/25 accounts.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH, POULTON LE FYLDE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1134343

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The Poulton le Fylde Methodist Church Council had the responsibility of working with its ministers the Reverend Will Hunter and Rev Sarah Lamb in promoting the whole mission, spiritual, pastoral, social and ecumenical of the Church.

Our aims in Poulton-le-Fylde Methodist Church are that, as a church we will learn of and proclaim the love of God through our worship and fellowship, nurturing his disciples and making new followers; and through our work, witness and giving serve God in His mission for those in our community and wider world.

### **Worship and prayer**

The year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2022 represented the first full year in which it could be said there was little impact on Church activity from the Covid pandemic though it was clear a number of our congregation have not returned to worship. We continued to stream all Sunday 10.30am services on our Facebook page throughout the year. They were positively received by members and non-members alike. Proposals to develop the streaming of services using fixed cameras rather than an iPad, with the live and recorded services to be available on You Tube were agreed (accessing funds available from legacies) Full implementation of the new facilities is anticipated in the Sep/Oct 23. A monthly midweek service continues to be held, and new regular monthly services rotate around all churches in the North Fylde Circuit enabling a sharing together with our Methodist friends and a strengthening of relationships between the churches.

Our Messy Church (Called Messy Values) for families with young children meets on the fourth Saturday of the month followed by a family All Age Worship service the next day which involves a puppet show.

The church has an active prayer group which confidentially shares prayer requests with one another by email and meets twice a month. The Flower Ministry continues and is much appreciated by recipients who are unwell, have lost a loved one or are experiencing hard times.

### **Spiritual and recreational fellowship groups**

Illumin8 our young people's group (School Year 6 and above) visited "3Generate" at the NEC again in Oct. this year. (the national children's and youth assembly of the Methodist Church) and continues to meet regularly on Sunday teatimes.

The Bible Study group meets every 2 weeks with excluding Lent when joint weekly meetings are held with friends from other Poulton churches through "Poulton Churches Together". The CAMEO and FOCUS groups have started meeting again, as has the Indoor Bowling group. Twice monthly, on Saturdays, walking groups take to the hills and fells.

### **Pastoral Care in the Church**

Each church member has a pastoral visitor to provide a listening ear and support in times of need. This activity continues to be a highly appreciated valuable aspect of our Church life.

### **Our church in Our Community**

Our Church buildings are busier than ever. Three choirs now practice in our Sanctuary each week and community groups of all ages and backgrounds use our buildings e.g. The Blackout Youth Theatre Group, Alzheimer's support group "Singing for the Brain", Parkinsons UK Exercise Group, Pilates, Photographic Society, Badminton Group, Alcohol Support Group etc..

We support and host weekly Rainbows, Beavers, Cubs and Scouts meetings.

Our Coffee Shop, "Coffee Plus" has slowly recovered from the severe effects of closure due to Covid, with both an increase in the numbers of customers and a return to steady profitability. The warmth of the welcome has encouraged new people to become volunteers and others to join our Church.

In May the Methodist Church Charity Shop in Chapel Street successfully reopened after refurbishment, providing a retail outlet for local charities and voluntary organisations to rent the premises on a weekly basis to raise much needed funds.

### **The Wider Church**

Poulton Churches Together activities continued especially through joint Bible Study and meeting through Lent.

We are part of "The North Fylde Circuit of the Methodist Church" along with another five churches, and have started holding more joint services with them as detailed above. We all share 3 ministers and a Children's and Families Lay Worker.

### **Engagement with and support of mission in the wider world and local and national charities**

Numerous charities, locally (Vincent House, Comfort CAFÉ, Blackpool Children's Clothing Fund) nationally (Action for Children) and internationally (The Leprosy Mission, All We Can, Open Doors, Barnabas Aid and Christian Aid) have been generously supported financially. In addition we have an enduring relationship with Maua Methodist Hospital, Kenya and our support for the hospital continues.

## Safeguarding and GDPR

Full compliance with safeguarding training and certification was undertaken with a nominated lead person overseeing this. Similarly, adherence to GDPR regulations was maintained to keep all data secure, with particular reference to new data providers and data holders.

## Looking forward

We continue to actively seek ways to evolve, and be relevant in our community whilst staying loyal to our fundamental calling.

Throughout the year the Communications Group met to review all our communications. The remit included reviewing and improving our internal and external communications e.g. newsletters, posters, Facebook page and website, encouraging greater use of social media e.g. Poulton Chat, and finding ways to reach out to more people via our new You Tube channel. A new logo was adopted, (above) the image being taken from the wall hanging at the front of our church Sanctuary.

Our biggest two challenges are maintaining our children's activities and the increasing the involvement of families in our church life and bringing more people to faith as each year, a worshipping congregation, inevitably unless we do so our numbers will slowly decline. Much remains to be done.

## Financial Review

Symbolically, the financial review again is last. The Financial Statements show a reduction in total assets £61,060 (from £253,369 to £192,309). This was largely a result of planned and approved expenditure on Roof Repairs and the upgrade to our Sanctuary Screens and investment in a new Streaming Solution amounting to £72,335 which was funded in the main by legacies. With the Church expecting to receive a further legacy in excess of this reduction in assets (confirmed in December 2024 with no restrictions to its use) our financial position consequently remains resilient.

The Church's Finance and Property Committee is fully aware of the ongoing financial challenges and continues to actively manage the implementation of its rolling five year budget. The Church complies with The Methodist Church capital reserves policy. It is our policy to invest funds with the Trustees for Methodist Purposes (TMCP) and the Methodist Central Finance Board (CFB).

Signed on their behalf of the Church Council by Ron Rhodes (Senior Church Steward) and Keith Bleazard (Church Treasurer).



Ron Rhodes

2/6/2024

Date



Keith Bleazard

2/6/2024

Date

## **Trustees' Annual Report on Finance and Governance**

### **Basis of preparation and legal framework**

The Charity's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011, using Receipts and Payments method.

Full Name of Charity / Church: Poulton Methodist Church

Registration Charity Number: 1134343

Date of registration: 16th February 2010

Main communication address: The Methodist Church, Queensway,  
Poulton-le-Fylde, Lancashire, FY6 7ST

The members of the Poulton Methodist Church Council are the Charity Trustees , membership being made up of the Minister, Church office holders, Committee representatives and representatives appointed by the Church at the Annual General Meeting.

Full membership is shown as Appendix A to this report.

**Independent examiner:** Leanne Nield ACA, Arc Accountancy Solutions Limited,  
51 Laverton Road, Lytham St. Annes, Lancashire, FY8 1EN

### **Public Benefit**

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty under the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit.

### **Structure, Governance and Management**

The governing document for the church is the Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976).

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church by order of the annual Conference (CPD).

Day to day management of the church is undertaken by the Minister, Church Stewards and Church Officers.

The Trustees are appointed at the Church AGM.

## **Appendix A**

### **Poulton Methodist Church**

#### **Church Council Membership as at 31st August 2023**

##### **Ministers**

Rev Will Hunter

Rev Sarah Lamb

##### **Church Stewards**

Ron Rhodes (Senior Steward)

Irene Burtonwood

Anthony Cripps

Helene Stephens

Ralph Whittingham

Janice Whittle

##### **Secretary to the Council**

David Sutcliffe

##### **Church Treasurer**

Keith Bleazard

##### **General Church Representatives (elected by the Annual General Church Meeting)**

Alan Banes

Barbara Banes

Jonathan Fail

May Gandhi

Sylvia Houldsworth

Brenda Kirkham

David Latham

Rose Morley

Betty Pilkington

Bob Shaddick

Sue Shaddick

Sarah Stone

Carol Sykes

Janet Walsh

Wes Walsh

##### **Appointed Representatives (appointed by the Church Council)**

Eileen Gee

Graham Kay

Jenifer Pearson

Gill Rhodes

Alan Sykes

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INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT

**GENERAL FUND**

**Receipts**

	Notes	Designated Restricted Endowment				2023 Total Funds	2022 Total Funds
		Unrestricted Funds	Funds	Funds	Funds		
		£	£	£	£	£	
Collection/Gift Aid			55,409	1,260		56,669	
Tax recovered under Gift Aid			11,926	142		12,068	71,620
Property lettings	1		34,274			34,274	25,394
Interest & Investment Income			79	670	396	2,700	3,845
Fundraising	2		1,188	1,431		2,619	1,345
Net Income Surplus's from groups and organisations				1,383		1,383	1,252
Other receipts	3		14,285	1,392		15,677	19,323
Transfers between funds			55,294	(41,208)	(11,945)	(2,141)	(0)
<b>SUB TOTAL - GENERAL FUNDS</b>			<b>172,455</b>	<b>(34,930)</b>	<b>(11,548)</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>126,537</b>
<b>Other receipts</b>							
Benevolent Fund						0	100
Collections received for external organisations	4		3,737			3,737	2,807
Unrealised profit on investments				(299)	(3,410)	(3,709)	(6,355)
<b>TOTAL</b>			<b>176,192</b>	<b>(34,930)</b>	<b>(11,847)</b>	<b>(2,851)</b>	<b>126,565</b>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>							
Circuit contribution			55,400				
Repairs, maintenance	5		88,572				
Cleaning			16,463	160,435		160,435	72,748
Development property costs						0	0
Water, fuel and electricity charges			5,971				
Insurance			3,850	9,821		9,821	9,389
Donations - Methodist Organisations			0				
Donations - General Fund	4a		100	100	658	758	1,185
Donations - from Organisations			0				
Donations - Benevolent Fund			0		0	0	50
Other payments	6		8,276	2,631	398	1,629	12,934
<b>SUB-TOTAL- GENERAL FUNDS</b>			<b>178,632</b>	<b>3,288</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>1,629</b>	<b>183,947</b>
Specific collections passed onto external organisations	4		3,677			3,677	2,807
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<b>182,309</b>	<b>3,288</b>	<b>398</b>	<b>1,629</b>	<b>187,625</b>
<b>Net income (expenditure) for the year</b>			<b>(6,117)</b>	<b>(38,218)</b>	<b>(12,245)</b>	<b>(4,480)</b>	<b>(61,060)</b>

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STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES

	Designated Restricted Endowment					2023 Total Funds £	2022 Total Funds £
	Unrestricted Funds £	Funds £	Funds £	Funds £	Funds £		
<b>General Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year	91,937						
Surplus / (Deficit) for year	(6,117)	85,820				85,820	91,937
<b>Designated Funds</b>							
<b>Funds of Various Groups and Organisations</b>							
Balance at start of year	9	474					
Net Income		429	903			903	474
<b>Property Renewal Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		1,028					
Surplus for year		1,431	2,459			2,459	1,028
<b>Benevolent Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		109					
Surplus for year		0	109			109	109
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		46,424					
Received during year	11	(40,078)	6,346			6,346	46,424
<b>Restricted Funds</b>							
Balance at start of year	10	19,417					
Received during year		(12,245)		7,172		7,172	19,417
<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>							
Balance at start of year	10	93,980					
Received during year		(4,480)			89,500	89,500	93,980
		85,820	9,817	7,172	89,500	192,309	253,369
<b>Assets</b>							
<b>Summary of how funds are held</b>							
Bank & Cash Balances:							
Current Accounts		35,649	2,314	900	2,166	41,030	37,170
Building Society Account		15,211				15,211	12,404
Current Accounts - various groups			904			904	475
Deposit Accounts		13,955	1,349			15,304	17,246
CFB Deposit Accounts & Trustee Interest Funds				4,076		4,076	4,731
TMCP - Deposit Account			5,250	2,196		7,446	54,190
TMCP - Managed Funds					87,334	87,334	90,755
Investment							
1 £1 ordinary share in Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd		1					
Loan		7,969	7,970			7,970	7,970
		72,785	9,817	7,172	89,500	179,274	224,941
<b>Prepayments and debtors</b>	7	16,144				16,144	29,937
<b>Creditors</b>	8	(3,109)				(3,109)	(1,509)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD</b>		85,820	9,817	7,172	89,500	192,309	253,369

These financial statements are approved on behalf of all the Church Council by:

Signature *A. David Sutcliffe*  
 Name ANDREW DAVID SUTCLIFFE  
 Church Council Position CHURCH COUNCIL SECRETARY  
 Date 2ND JUNE 2024

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

	£
<b>Note 1 - Property Lettings</b>	
Playgroup	8,796
Chapel Street office rents	2,896
Blackpool Male Voice Choir	3,170
Coffee Shop to cleaning, light, heat and power	4,200
Others	<u>15,212</u>
	<u>34,274</u>

	£
<b>Note 2 - Fundraising</b>	
Spring fayre	1,081
Development fund	1,431
Funeral fees	<u>107</u>
	<u>2,619</u>

<b>Note 3 - Other receipts</b>		
<b>General Fund</b>	£	£
Miscellaneous	1,655	
Circuit grant (contribution towards roof repairs - see Note 5)	10,000	
Poulton Methodist Church Coffee Shop limited gift-aid donation	1,894	
Other donations	335	
Interest	401	
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>		
Miscellaneous	1,108	
Donations	215	
Interest	69	
Bequests and Gifts in Memory		<u>0</u>
	<u>15,677</u>	<u>0</u>

<b>Note 4 - Specific collections passed on to external organisations</b>		£
Money raised for external organisations		3,737
Money paid out external organisations		<u>(3,677)</u>
Money outstanding to pay to external organisations as at 31 Aug 2023		<u>60</u>

<b>Note 4a - Church donations paid</b>		£
<b>General Fund</b>		
Royal British Legion		50
Churches Together		50
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>		
Vincent House		92
Street Life		210
Trinity Hospice		171
Alzheimer's Society		123
Mersey Ships		<u>61</u>
		<u>758</u>

<b>Note 5 - Repairs and Renewals</b>		£
Roof repairs		43,800
Audio works		21,763
Air conditioning etc		6,772
Other		<u>16,236</u>
		<u>88,571</u>

<b>Note 6 - Other payments</b>				
	£	£	£	£
Printing, Link, Wi-Fi & communications	2,406		115	
Bank charges & professional fees	160	180	258	54
Organist & organ maintenance	657			344
Catering	275			
Legal	1,501			
Music licence fees				
Various miscellaneous sundries	1,676	982	50	
Internal organisation payments		1,468		
Youth Work - 3Gen expenses, less grants			667	
Youth Work - Messy Church net costs & books for School visitation			539	
IE fee	1,600			
	<u>8,276</u>	<u>2,631</u>	<u>1,629</u>	<u>398</u>

<b>Note 7 - Prepayments and debtors</b>		£
Electric solar panel 'feed in tariff'		500
Circuit Contribution to The Fylde North Circuit		13,750
Gift-aid donation debtor from Poulton Methodist Church Coffee Shop		<u>1,894</u>
		<u>16,144</u>

<b>Note 8 - Creditors</b>		£
The Holt Trust Income		1,509
IE fee		<u>1,600</u>
		<u>3,109</u>

<b>Note 9 - Designated Accounts</b>		Total
<b>Internal Organisations</b>		£
The Flower Fund		310
The Gardening Club		479
The Indoor Bowling Club		<u>115</u>
		<u>904</u>

**Note 10 - Permanent Endowment & Restricted Funds held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't gains	Fund bequests	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404 <i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>	9,297	279	(303)		(255)	(26)	8,992
The Betsy Holt Memorial Endowment - Trust 17926 <i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>	32,680	973	(1,206)		(885)	(93)	31,470
The Ronald Holt Endowment - Trust 11734 <i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>	37,133	1,103	(1,425)		(1,001)	(106)	35,704
The Parkinson Memorial Fund - Trust 10121 <i>Income to be used to assist in Christian training of young people</i>	100	3				(3)	100
The William Parkinson Bequest - 10121A <i>1/5th Income to be used for PMC Sunday School</i> <i>4/5th Income to be used for general church funds</i>	3,933	82	(103)		3	(787)	3,128
The Edna Bowman Bursary - Trust 14145 <i>Income to be used to assist young people to travel on church organised ventures</i>	10,835	260	(374)		0	(617)	10,104
	<u>93,978</u>	<u>2,700</u>	<u>(3,410)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(2,138)</u>	<u>(1,632)</u>	<u>89,498</u>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>							
	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404A Surplus Inc <i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>	19,417	397	(299)		(11,945)	(399)	7,172
<b>Total - Endowment &amp; Restricted Funds</b>	<u>113,395</u>	<u>3,098</u>	<u>(3,709)</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(14,083)</u>	<u>(2,032)</u>	<u>96,670</u>

**Note 11 - Designated Fund held by Trustees for Methodist Church General Purposes Purposes**

	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Olga Gill Bequest - Trust 22305 <i>No restriction on use</i>	39,693	670			(35,000)	(113)	5,250

**Note 12 - Related Parties**

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	£	
Annual contribution	4,200	<i>included in Note 1</i>
Gift Aid Donation	<u>1,894</u>	<i>included in Note 3 &amp; 7</i>
	<u>6,094</u>	

**Note 13 - None adjusting events after the end of the reporting period**

Poulton Methodist Church received confirmation of a legacy to be received totalling £79,847. The date of confirmation was 5 December 2023. There are no restrictions to its use.

The Poulton Methodist Church Coffee Shop Limited declared a gift-aid donation to be gifted to the church, totalling £1,894, declared in April 2024. This is included in note 3, 7 & 12.

**Report of the Independent Examiner**  
**To the Trustees of**  
**Poulton Methodist Church**

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Poulton Methodist Church for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2023 which are set out on pages 6 – 9.

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

As the Charity'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 charity'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**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which gives 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; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of 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 a matter 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 the accounts to be reached.



Leanne Nield ACA  
Arc Accountancy Solutions Limited  
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Date: 10/6/24 .....

**THE METHODIST CHURCH, POULTON LE FYLDE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1134343

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# Accounts

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### **Worship and prayer**

The year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> Sep 2021 saw a return to normal worship post Covid. However it took time for many people to regain confidence in attending Church activities and it was not until Easter 2022 that a full return to “normal” was demonstrated. There was however a new “normal”. All Sunday 10.30am services were streamed onto our Facebook page, and positively received by members and non-members alike. The streamed services and the successful return to normal of the Church coffee shop (Coffee Plus) have both encouraged new people to join our Church. People often comment on the warmth of our welcome and this has undoubtedly been enhanced by the time we spend chatting together over tea and biscuits after every service.

Due to a decrease in the number of Circuit staff the Sunday evening and monthly Sunday 8am Communion services have not restarted after the pandemic, but a Thursday morning service has commenced once a month. We continued to be much indebted to the valuable contributions of our lay preachers and worship leaders.

Our Messy Church for families with young children meets on the fourth Saturday of the month followed by a family All Age Worship service the next day which involves a puppet show.

The church has an active prayer group which confidentially shares prayer requests with one another by email and meets twice a month. The Flower Ministry has restarted and is much appreciated.

### **Spiritual and recreational fellowship groups**

Illumin8 our young people’s group (School Year 6 and above) visited “3Generate”, (the national children's and youth assembly of the Methodist Church) at the NEC in October and contributed in a large way to a super service in February in which they told us of their experiences.

The Bible Study group returned to meeting every 2 weeks. Pleasingly numbers have steadily grown. The number attending the monthly Tuesday afternoon Minister’s Class unfortunately did not recover to a viable number after Covid, so the group closed. An extra fortnightly Bible study group was initiated to replace this.

The CAMEO and FOCUS groups have started meeting again.

### **Pastoral Care in the Church**

Each church member has a pastoral visitor to provide a listening ear and support in them in times of need. This activity continues to be a much appreciated valuable aspect of our Church life.

## **Our church in Our Community**

Whilst following the pandemic it took some time for confidence to return to normal by the end of the year our buildings were busier than ever before. Three choirs now practice in our Sanctuary each week and community groups of all ages and backgrounds use our buildings from a Children's Pre-school group to a youth theatre group, to the Alzheimer's Support group "Singing for the Brain" We seek to share our news through our Facebook page and hold a stall at the Christmas Market, though the event was curtailed this year to one day because of "wild weather." Our coffee shop reopened at the end of the year, clearly it will take time to return to normal activity and profitability. Our celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee were successful as an outreach into the community. An unintended sum of £150 was raised and donated to Action for Children.

## **The Wider Church**

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## **Engagement with and support of mission in the wider world and local and national charities**

We have had an enduring relationship for over 25 years with Maua Methodist Hospital, Kenya and our support continued. The Leprosy Mission, All We Can and the Methodist World Mission Fund were once again supported. Our Christmas Appeal for the Family Safeguarding service raised almost £500. Overall donations from the Church to various charities and good causes totalled £4,042

## **Safeguarding and GDPR**

Full compliance with safeguarding training and certification was addressed throughout the period. Similarly adherence to GDPR regulations was maintained to keep all data secure, with particular reference to new data providers and data holders.

## **Looking forward**

We continue to actively seek ways to evolve, and be relevant in our community whilst staying loyal to our fundamental calling.

Perhaps our biggest challenge is maintaining our children's activities and the involvement of families in our church life.

Such was the response to our streaming of services that we are exploring developing our AV facilities to enhance the experience of those who are unable to join us in person and join us on-line live and throughout the week.

Since our weekly footfall is approximately 1000 people per week there are many opportunities share His good news. Through our website and Facebook page we have a means of communicating to the wider community. At the end of the year our biannual Church Council approved the formation of a Communications Group to look at and develop more effective means of communication both within the church and out into the wider community. Much remains to be done

## **Finance**

Symbolically, the financial review again is last. The Financial Statements show a surplus of £32,550 for the year. A Gift Day was held during the year, which raised £17,717 so a large surplus was budgeted to counter balance the previous year's deficit of £10,517. Our financial position consequently remains resilient.

The Church's Finance and Property Committee is fully aware of the ongoing financial challenges and continues to actively manage the implementation of its rolling five year budget.

The Church complies with The Methodist Church capital reserves policy.

It is our policy to invest funds with the Trustees for Methodist Purposes (TMCP) and the Methodist Central Finance Board (CFB).

Signed on their behalf of the Church Council by Ron Rhodes (Senior Church Steward) and John Brooke (Church Treasurer)

Ron Rhodes

John Brooke

Dated

June 2023

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**The Methodist Church Poulton Le Fylde**

**The Annual Report**

**and**

**Financial Statements**

**for the**

**Year to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022**

Queensway, Poulton Le Fylde Lancashire FY6 7ST

Registered Charity 1134343

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2022**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**GENERAL FUND**

**Receipts**

Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2022 Total Funds	2021 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Collection/Gift Aid	59,028					71,620	73,972
Tax recovered under Gift Aid	<u>12,593</u>	71,620				0	
Property lettings	1	25,394				25,394	10,335
Interest & Investment Income		312	6	397	2,129	0	1,796
Fundraising	2		1,345			1,345	753
Net Income Surplus's from groups and organisations			1,252			0	1,682
Other receipts	3	18,223	1,100			0	8,050
Transfers between funds		4,470	(3,047)	165	(1,588)	0	0
<b>SUB TOTAL - GENERAL FUNDS</b>		<u>120,020</u>	<u>656</u>	<u>562</u>	<u>541</u>	<u>121,779</u>	<u>96,588</u>

**Other receipts**

Benevolent Fund			100			100	0
Collections received for external organisations	6		2,807			2,807	931
Unrealised profit on investments				(972)	(5,383)	(6,355)	15,688
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>120,020</u>	<u>3,564</u>	<u>(410)</u>	<u>(4,842)</u>	<u>118,331</u>	<u>113,207</u>

**PAYMENTS**

Circuit contribution		50,000					
Repairs, maintenance	5	4,713					
Cleaning		<u>18,035</u>	72,748			72,748	82,176
Development property costs				0		0	536
Water, fuel and electricity charges		6,173					
Insurance		<u>3,215</u>	9,389			9,389	4,846
Donations - Methodist Organisations	4	435					
Donations - General Fund	4a	<u>750</u>	1,185			1,185	1,443
Donations - from Organisations		0					
Donations - Benevolent Fund		<u>50</u>	50			50	1,123
Other payments			4,148	224	926	1,927	10,390
<b>SUB-TOTAL- GENERAL FUNDS</b>		<u>87,470</u>	<u>274</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>1,927</u>	<u>90,596</u>	<u>100,514</u>
Specific collections passed onto external organisations	4a		2,807			2,807	931
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>		<u>87,470</u>	<u>3,081</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>1,927</u>	<u>93,403</u>	<u>101,445</u>
<b>Net income (expenditure) for the year</b>		<u>32,550</u>	<u>483</u>	<u>(1,336)</u>	<u>(6,769)</u>	<u>24,928</u>	<u>11,762</u>



**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

	£			
<b>Note 1 - Property Lettings</b>				
Playgroup				9,370
Chapel Street office rents				2,275
Charity Shop				nil
Coffee Shop to cleaning, light, heat and power				4,200
Others				9,549
				<u>25,394</u>
<b>Note 2 - Fundraising - Redevelopment Fund</b>				£
Gifts via monthly standing orders				732
Ladies Spring Lunch				587
Easy Funding				26
				<u>1,345</u>
<b>Note 3 - Other receipts</b>				
<b>General Fund</b>	£		£	
Catering				500
Gift Day with Gift Aid				17,717
Interest				6
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>				
Bequests and Gifts in Memory				1,100
				<u>18,223</u>
				<u>1,100</u>
<b>Note 4 - Donations to Methodist Organisations</b>				£
Fund for Property				200
Fund for Presbyters				200
Easter envelopes				35
				<u>435</u>
<b>Note 4a - Donations to non-Methodist Organisations</b>				
<b>General Fund</b>	£		£	
DEC - Ukraine Appeal				600
The Royal British Legion				50
Christian Aid				100
<b>Benevolent Fund</b>				50
				<u>0</u>
				<u>800</u>
<b>Note 4b - Specific collections passed on to external organisations</b>				£
All We Can - Harvest Collection				516
Easter Envelope Offerings				404
Coffee Shop tip collections				860
DEC - Ukraine Appeal				870
Queens Platignum Jubilee				158
				<u>2,807</u>
<b>Note 5 - Other payments</b>				
	General	Designated	Endowment	Restricted
	£	£	£	£
Printing, Link, Wi-Fi & communications	2,600			
Bank charges & professional fees	266	224		274
Organist & organ maintenance	588			162
Music licence fees				707
Various miscellaneous sundries	694			
Youth Work - 3Gen expenses, less grants				893
Youth Work - Messy Church net costs & books for School visitation				760
	<u>4,148</u>	<u>224</u>	<u>926</u>	<u>1,927</u>
<b>Note 6 - Prepayments and debtors</b>				£
Electric solar panel 'feed in tariff'				500
Debtor - Gift Aid tax rebate due				12,593
Circuit Contribution to The Fylde North Circuit				3,094
				<u>13,750</u>
				<u>29,936</u>
<b>Note 7 - Creditors</b>				£
Various expenses				
Repair costs to the Charity Shop and the kitchen roof				
The Holt Trust Income				1,509
				<u>1,509</u>
<b>Note 8 - Designated Accounts</b>				Total
<b>Internal Organisations</b>				£
The Flower Fund				222
The Gardening Club				136
The Indoor Bowling Club				118
				<u>476</u>

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Note 9 - Permanent Endowment & Restricted Funds held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>	<b>Opening Funds</b>	<b>Interest &amp; dividends</b>	<b>Unrealised Invest't gains</b>	<b>Fund bequests</b>	<b>Expended &amp; transferred</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404 <i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>	9,774	195	(478)		(165)	(28)	9,297
The Betsy Holt Memorial Endowment - Trust 17926 <i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>	34,579	755	(1,903)		(653)	(99)	32,680
The Ronald Holt Endowment - Trust 11734 <i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>	39,379	886	(2,249)		(770)	(112)	37,133
The Parkinson Memorial Fund - Trust 10121 <i>Income to be used to assist in Christian training of young people</i>	100	0				(0)	100
The William Parkinson Bequest - 10121A <i>1/5th Income to be used for PMC Sunday School</i> <i>4/5th Income to be used for general church funds</i>	4,795	64	(163)	(756)	0	(8)	3,933
The Edna Bowman Bursary - Trust 14145 <i>Income to be used to assist young people to travel on church organised ventures</i>	12,117	228	(590)	(893)	0	(27)	10,835
	<b>100,745</b>	<b>2,128</b>	<b>(5,383)</b>	<b>(1,649)</b>	<b>(1,588)</b>	<b>(274)</b>	<b>93,979</b>
<b>Restricted Funds</b>	<b>Opening Funds</b>	<b>Interest &amp; dividends</b>	<b>Unrealised Invest't gains</b>	<b>Fund bequest</b>	<b>Expended &amp; transferred</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404A Surplus Inc <i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>	20,753	397	(975)	(869)	165	(57)	19,415
<b>Total - Endowment &amp; Restricted Funds</b>	<b>121,498</b>	<b>2,525</b>	<b>(6,358)</b>	<b>(2,518)</b>	<b>(1,423)</b>	<b>(331)</b>	<b>113,394</b>

**Note 10 - Designated Fund held by Trustees for Methodist Church General Purposes Purposes**

	<b>Opening Funds</b>	<b>Interest &amp; dividends</b>	<b>Unrealised Invest't gains</b>	<b>Fund bequest</b>	<b>Expended &amp; transferred</b>	<b>Fees</b>	<b>Total</b>
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Olga Gill Bequest - Trust 22305 <i>No restriction on use</i>	39,620	186				(113)	39,693

**Note 11 - Related Parties**

The Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd (No 07031781) is a separate legal entity wholly owned by Poulton Methodist Church. It was incorporated on 28th September 2009 and commenced operation on 1st September 2010. The statutory officers are officials of the church namely: the Minister, the senior steward and 2 others all appointed by the Church Council. The day to day running of the operation is carried out by a Management Committee. Poulton Methodist Church Council has granted a Licence to the company to operate on the church premises, whereby the company agrees to make a monthly contribution as to costs incurred and at the end of the companies financial year to Gift Aid the total net surplus (if any) to the Church. The financial transactions for the year to 31st August 2021 are as follows:

Monthly contribution	£ 4,200	<i>included in Note 1</i>
Gift Aid Donation	nil	<i>included in Note 2</i>
	<u>4,200</u>	

# **The Methodist Church Poulton le Fylde**

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It is my responsibility to:

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### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

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**Keith Bleazard**  
**Chartered Accountant**  
**44 Lowick Drive**  
**Poulton le Fylde**  
**22 February 2023**

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### **Worship and prayer**

Due to Covid our face to face church services were suspended until Easter Sunday 2021 when we returned to worship in person. Prior to that date Sunday morning Zoom services were held attended by church members and members from other churches. Much work was done by the Covid Risk Assessment Group which met regularly throughout the year in order to ensure full implementation of the Government's guidelines and to keep people safe. No Covid cases were transmitted in the church building as far as we know. From Easter 2021 we stopped posting the weekly worship notes to the sixty or so people who did not have internet connectivity, but a weekly newsletter was published for collection in church. Over 120 people now receive the newsletter by email. From Easter 2020 services have been live streamed on our Facebook page. This has been much appreciated and is continuing.

Our Messy Church was held on line every month throughout the year.

The Bible Study group met only occasionally on line but the members retained their friendship and support for one another though the difficult time.

The church has an active prayer group which confidentially shared prayer requests with one another by email.

### **Spiritual and recreational fellowship groups**

All these groups were suspended throughout the year ( Note – activities did return from Sep 2021 onwards)

### **Pastoral Care in the Church**

The church has many pastoral visitors who are allocated to all Church Members to provide a listening ear and support in them in times of need. This activity continued throughout the year with many telephone calls being made rather than house visits.

### **Our church in Our Community**

This was a difficult year as our activities were severely curtailed by the Covid pandemic, and community groups were unable to use our buildings. Our Church Coffee Shop remained closed throughout this period.

### **The Wider Church**

We play an active part in Poulton Churches Together these activities ceased due to the pandemic. We are part of "The North Fylde Circuit of the Methodist Church" along with another five churches. This brings its challenges but also provides opportunities for sharing and mutual support.

### **Engagement with and support of mission in the wider world and local and national charities**

Our Church continues to generously respond to the needs of those both locally and in the wider world. Fund raising activities were severely curtailed, nonetheless The Christmas Appeal raised £700 for Brian House and £700 was donated to Leprosy Mission. Other three figure sums were donated to All We Can and the Methodist World Mission Fund.

### **Safeguarding and GDPR**

Full compliance with safeguarding training and certification was addressed throughout the period. There was a fundamental review of how we keep personal data secure and all church members were contacted and all data holders signed to confirm their adherence to the regulations

### **Looking forward**

By August 2021 more people were starting to return to regular worship which was far removed from what we had been used to; there was no hymn singing, or live music and social distancing and mask wearing were mandatory. Decisions regarding the lifting of the restrictions and the recommencing of all our usual activities were eagerly anticipated by the end of Aug 2021

### **Finance**

Symbolically, the financial review again is last. The Financial Statements show a deficit of £10,517 in respect of the Unrestricted Funds Account, but this is after charging for roof and property repairs of £30,000. This deficit was expected and occurred because of reductions in our collections and rental income due to the Covid pandemic restrictions on worship and premises. However our financial position fortunately remains resilient and is improving as the church regains its activity.

The Church's Finance and Property Committee is fully aware of the ongoing financial challenges and continues to actively manage the implementation of its rolling five year

budget. The Methodist Circuit of which we are a part have furloughed our share of their expenditure by £21,000, which was of great assistance during the Covid pandemic.

Despite, all the challenges and restrictions our members freely and generously give of their time and talents, which was ably demonstrated by a Gift Day during the first weekend of the following year, which raised £16,800, which meant that we comply with The Methodist Church capital reserves policy.

It is our policy to invest funds with the Trustees for Methodist Purposes (TMCP) and the Methodist Central Finance Board (CFB) and we were grateful that our Restricted and Endowment Funds regained the losses of the previous year.

And signed on their behalf by Ron Rhodes (Senior Church Steward) and John Brooke (Church Treasurer)

Ron Rhodes

John Brooke

Dated

May 2022



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**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2021**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

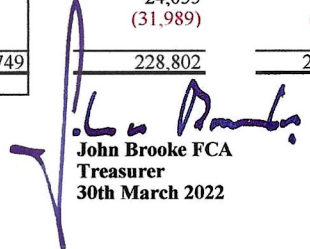
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		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>GENERAL FUND</b>								
<b>Receipts</b>								
Collection/Gift Aid		63,125						
Tax recovered under Gift Aid		<u>10,847</u>	73,972				73,972	65,740
Property lettings	1		10,335				10,335	20,798
Interest & Investment Income			133	36	255	1,372	1,796	2,260
Fundraising	2			753			753	3,947
Net Income Surpluses from groups and organisations				1,682			1,682	802
Other receipts	3		1,695	6,355			8,050	1,206
Transfers between funds			928	0	108	(1,036)	0	0
<b>SUB TOTAL - GENERAL FUNDS</b>			<u>87,063</u>	<u>8,825</u>	<u>364</u>	<u>336</u>	<u>96,588</u>	<u>94,753</u>
<b>Other receipts</b>								
Benevolent Fund				0			0	292
Collections received for external organisations	6			931			931	2,604
Unrealised profit on investments					2,399	13,289	15,688	(1,535)
<b>TOTAL</b>			<u>87,063</u>	<u>9,756</u>	<u>2,763</u>	<u>13,625</u>	<u>113,207</u>	<u>96,114</u>
<b>PAYMENTS</b>								
Circuit contribution		35,408						
Repairs, maintenance	5	43,372						
Caretaker and cleaning		<u>3,396</u>	82,176				82,176	73,262
Development property costs	4			536			536	785
Water, fuel and electricity charges		1,838						
Insurance		<u>3,009</u>	4,846				4,846	10,323
Donations - Methodist Organisations	6	400						
Donations - General Fund	6a	<u>1,043</u>	1,443				1,443	1,680
Donations - Redevelopment Fund								
Donations - from Organisations	6a	890						
Donations - Benevolent Fund	6a	<u>233</u>		1,123			1,123	1,200
Other payments	7		9,115	79	829	367	10,390	11,335
<b>SUB-TOTAL- GENERAL FUNDS</b>			<u>97,580</u>	<u>1,738</u>	<u>829</u>	<u>367</u>	<u>100,514</u>	<u>98,585</u>
Specific collections passed onto external organisations	6b			931			931	2,605
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>			<u>97,580</u>	<u>2,668</u>	<u>829</u>	<u>367</u>	<u>101,444</u>	<u>101,190</u>
<b>Net income (expenditure) for the year</b>			<u>(10,517)</u>	<u>7,088</u>	<u>1,934</u>	<u>13,258</u>	<u>11,762</u>	<u>(5,076)</u>

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2021**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES**

		Unrestricted Funds		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2021 Total Funds	2020 Total Funds
		£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>General Fund</b>								
Balance at start of year		69,904						
Deficit for year		(10,517)						
Transfer from Legacy Fund			59,387				59,387	69,904
<b>Designated Funds</b>								
<b>Funds of Various Groups and Organisations</b>								
Balance at start of year	10	1,838						
Net Income		792		2,630			2,630	1,838
<b>Property Renewal Fund</b>								
Balance at start of year		(274)						
Surplus for year		174		(100)			(100)	(274)
<b>Benevolent Fund</b>								
Balance at start of year		292						
Surplus for year		(233)		59			59	292
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>								
Balance at start of year		38,969						
Received during year	11	6,355		45,324			45,324	38,969
<b>Restricted Funds</b>								
Balance at start of year	11	18,819						
Received during year		1,934			20,753		20,753	18,819
<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>								
Balance at start of year	11	87,491				100,749	100,749	87,491
Received during year		13,258						
			59,387	47,913	20,753	100,749	228,801	217,039
<b>Assets</b>								
<b>Summary of how funds are held</b>								
<b>Bank &amp; Cash Balances:</b>								
Current Accounts			29,590	4,725	893	4,620	39,829	24,030
Current Accounts - various groups				2,269			2,269	1,840
Deposit Accounts			29,761	1,298			31,059	25,384
CFB Deposit Accounts & Trustee Interest Funds					4,391		4,391	5,466
TMCP - Deposit Account				39,620			39,620	39,566
TMCP - Managed Funds					15,469	96,128	111,597	95,910
<b>Investment</b>								
1 £1 ordinary share in Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd		1						
Loan		7,969	7,970				7,970	4,970
			67,321	47,912	20,753	100,749	236,735	197,166
<b>Prepayments and debtors</b>	8		24,055				24,055	22,191
<b>Creditors</b>	9		(31,989)				(31,989)	(2,316)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD</b>			59,387	47,912	20,753	100,749	228,802	217,041

  
**John Brooke FCA**  
**Treasurer**  
**30th March 2022**

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

	£
<b>Note 1 - Property Lettings</b>	
Playgroup	7,289
Chapel Street office rents	2,275
Charity Shop	145
Coffee Shop to cleaning, light, heat and power	-
Others	626
	<u>10,335</u>

	£
<b>Note 2 - Fundraising - Redevelopment Fund</b>	
Gifts via monthly standing orders	732
Easy Funding	21
	<u>753</u>

<b>Note 3 - Other receipts</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	£		£
Funeral Fees		95	
Royal Bank of Scotland incentive payment to move	9	1,600	
Poulton Coffee Shop Ltd		-	
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>			
Bequests and Gifts in Memory			6,355
	<u>1,695</u>		<u>6,355</u>

	£
<b>Note 4 - Development costs</b>	
Curtains for Quiet Room	536
	<u>536</u>

	£
<b>Note 5 - Repairs, maintenance</b>	
Re-decorating the Sanctuary, foyer etc.	2,970
Re-tarmac the front driveway and marking	2,880
Reserve for costs relating to The Chapel Street premises	25,000
Reserve for costs relating to the kitchen roof	5,000
General repairs & service contracts	7,522
	<u>43,372</u>

	£
<b>Note 6 - Donations to Methodist Organisations</b>	
Fund for Property	200
Fund for Presbyters	200
	<u>400</u>

<b>Note 6a - Donations to non-Methodist Organisations</b>			
<b>General Fund</b>	£		£
Vincent House		500	
All We Can'		500	
Easter envelopes - top up		43	
<b>Benevolent Fund</b>			233
<b>Groups and Organisations</b>			890
	<u>1,043</u>		<u>1,123</u>

	£
<b>Note 6b - Specific collections passed on to external organisations</b>	
Trinity Hospice - Christmas card collection	620
Easter Envelope Offerings	117
Coffee Shop tip collections: Parkinsons	194
	<u>931</u>

<b>Note 7 - Other payments</b>				
	£	£	£	£
Printing, stationery, email, Wi-Fi & telephone and Covid news let	5,198			
Organist fees & maintenance	36			
Book-keeping & accountancy professional fees	2,880			
TMCP professional fees		79	34	165
Performing Rights licence fees			794	
Young Peoples work - Messy Church and Conference				201
Miscellaneous	1,001			
	<u>9,115</u>	<u>79</u>	<u>829</u>	<u>366</u>

	£
<b>Note 8 - Prepayments and debtors</b>	
Electric solar panel feed in tariff	500
Debtor - Gift Aid tax rebate due	11,055
Circuit Contribution to The Fylde North Circuit	12,500
	<u>24,055</u>

	£
<b>Note 9 - Creditors</b>	
Various expenses	480
Repair costs to the Charity Shop and the kitchen roof	30,000
The Holt Trust Income	1,509
	<u>31,989</u>

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Note 10 - Designated Accounts**

	Opening Funds	Income	Charity donations	Gifts to Church	Total
	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Internal Organisations</b>					
The Badminton Club	529	528		(536)	521
Focus	318				318
The Choir	403				403
The Ministers Class	247				247
The Ladies Recreational Group	(404)				(404)
The Flower Guild	109	58			167
The Gardening Club	229	(127)			102
Cameo	208	1,305	(890)		623
The Poulton Festival	114				114
The Indoor Bowling Club	89	90			179
	<u>1,842</u>	<u>1,854</u>	<u>(890)</u>	<u>(536)</u>	<u>2,270</u>

**Note 11 - Permanent Endowment & Restricted Funds held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

**Permanent Endowment Funds**

	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404	8,593	126	1,181		(108)	(17)	9,774
<i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>							
The Betsy Holt Memorial Endowment - Trust 17926	29,881	486	4,698		(426)	(60)	34,579
<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
The Ronald Holt Endowment - Trust 11734	33,826	570	5,553		(502)	(68)	39,379
<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
The Parkinson Memorial Fund - Trust 10121	2,506	41	401		(36)	(5)	2,908
<i>Income to be used to assist in Christian training of young people</i>							
The William Parkinson Bequest - 10121A	100	0			(0)		100
<i>1/5th Income to be used for PMC Sunday School</i>							
<i>4/5th Income to be used for general church funds</i>							
The Edna Bowman Bursary - Trust 14145	7,934	146	1,456		(130)	(16)	9,389
<i>Income to be used to assist young people to travel on church organised ventures</i>							
	<u>82,839</u>	<u>1,370</u>	<u>13,289</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>(1,203)</u>	<u>(165)</u>	<u>96,130</u>

**Restricted Funds**

	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404A Surplus Inc	18,819	2,399	255	(794)	108	(34)	20,753
<i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>							
<b>Total - Endowment &amp; Restricted Funds</b>	<u>101,659</u>	<u>3,769</u>	<u>13,544</u>	<u>(794)</u>	<u>(1,095)</u>	<u>(200)</u>	<u>116,883</u>

**Note 10 - Designated Fund held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Olga Gill Bequest - Trust 22305	39,566	133				(79)	39,620
<i>No restriction on use</i>							

**Note 12 - Related Parties**

The Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd (No 07031781) is a separate legal entity wholly owned by Poulton Methodist Church. It was incorporated on 28th September 2009 and commenced operation on 1st September 2010. The statutory officers are officials of the church namely: the Minister, the senior steward and 2 others all appointed by the Church Council. The day to day running of the operation is carried out by a Management Committee. Poulton Methodist Church Council has granted a Licence to the company to operate on the church premises, whereby the company agrees to make a monthly contribution as to costs incurred and at the end of the companies financial year to Gift Aid the total net surplus (if any) to the Church. The financial transactions for the year to 31st August 2021 are as follows:

Monthly contribution	£	
	nil	<i>included in Note 1</i>
Gift Aid Donation	nil	<i>included in Note 2</i>
	<u>nil</u>	

# The Methodist Church Poulton le Fylde

## Independent Examiner's Report to the members of Poulton le Fylde Methodist Church Council

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2021 which are set out above.

### Respective responsibilities of the council members and examiner

The charity's council consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act),  
to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7) of the Act, and  
to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### Basis of independent examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Council members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out below.

### Independent examiner's statement

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

To keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and  
prepare accounts and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993  
Act; have not been met; or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



**Keith Bleazard**  
**Chartered Accountant**  
**44 Lowick Drive**  
**Poulton le Fylde**

5<sup>th</sup> April 2022

# **The Methodist Church Poulton le Fylde**

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**Keith Bleazard**  
**Chartered Accountant**

# **The Methodist Church Poulton le Fylde**

**44 Lowick Drive  
Poulton le Fylde**

5<sup>th</sup> April 2022

**THE METHODIST CHURCH, POULTON LE FYLDE**

England & Wales - Charity number 1134343

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# Accounts

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**The Methodist Church Poulton Le Fylde**

**The Annual Report**

**and**

**Financial Statements**

**for the**

**Year to 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020**

Queensway, Poulton Le Fylde Lancashire FY6 7ST

Registered Charity 1134343

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2020**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**GENERAL FUND**

**Receipts**

Notes	Unrestricted Funds		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2020 Total Funds	2019 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Collection/Gift Aid	53,869						
Tax recovered under Gift Aid	<u>11,872</u>	65,740				65,740	74,676
Property lettings	1	20,798				20,798	25,308
Interest & Investment Income		407	9	297	1,547	2,260	2,860
Fundraising	2		3,947			3,947	15,460
Net Income Surplus's from groups and organisations			802			802	3,797
Other receipts	3	1,101	105			1,206	661
Transfers between funds		2,917	(1,855)	131	(1,193)	0	0
<b>SUB TOTAL - GENERAL FUNDS</b>		<u>90,964</u>	<u>3,009</u>	<u>428</u>	<u>354</u>	<u>94,755</u>	<u>122,762</u>

**Other receipts**

Benevolent Fund			292			292	478
Collections received for external organisations	6		2,604			2,604	1,584
Unrealised profit on investments				(235)	(1,300)	(1,535)	3,514
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>90,964</u>	<u>5,905</u>	<u>193</u>	<u>(946)</u>	<u>96,117</u>	<u>128,338</u>

**PAYMENTS**

Circuit contribution		59,650					
Repairs, maintenance	5	4,692					
Caretaker and cleaning		<u>8,919</u>	73,262			73,262	90,021
Development property costs	4			785		785	1,929
Water, fuel and electricity charges		6,841					
Insurance		<u>3,482</u>	10,323			10,323	13,127
Donations - Methodist Organisations	6	400					
Donations - General Fund	6a	<u>1,280</u>	1,680			1,680	1,135
Donations - Redevelopment Fund							
Donations - from Organisations	6a	450					
Donations - Benevolent Fund	6a	<u>750</u>	1,200			1,200	1,720
Other payments	7		10,015		34	1,286	7,454
<b>SUB-TOTAL- GENERAL FUNDS</b>		<u>95,279</u>	<u>1,985</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>	<u>98,584</u>	<u>115,386</u>
Specific collections passed onto external organisations	6b		2,605			2,605	1,584
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>		<u>95,279</u>	<u>4,590</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>	<u>101,189</u>	<u>116,970</u>

**Net income (expenditure) for the year**

		<u>(4,315)</u>	<u>1,316</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>(2,232)</u>	<u>(5,072)</u>	<u>11,368</u>
						(5,072)	

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2020**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 31st AUGUST 2020**

	Unrestricted Funds		Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	2019 Total Funds	2018 Total Funds
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>General Fund</b>						0	
Balance at start of year	74,220						
Deficit for year	(4,315)						
Transfer from Legacy Fund		69,904				69,904	66,474
<b>Designated Funds</b>							
<b>Funds of Various Groups and Organisations</b>							
Balance at start of year	10	3,341					
Net Expenditure		(1,503)	1,838			1,838	4,288
<b>Property Renewal Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		(3,446)					
Surplus for year		3,172	(274)			(274)	84,185
<b>Benevolent Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		750					
Surplus for year		(458)	292			292	472
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		38,864					
Transfer of Funds to General Funds	11	105	38,969			38,969	63,864
<b>Restricted Funds</b>							
Balance at start of year	11	18,660					
Received during year		159		18,819		18,819	18,897
<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>							
Balance at start of year	11	89,723					
Deficit during year		(2,232)			87,491	87,491	88,683
		<u>69,904</u>	<u>40,825</u>	<u>18,819</u>	<u>87,491</u>	<u>217,040</u>	<u>326,863</u>
<b>Assets</b>							
<b>Summary of how funds are held</b>							
Bank & Cash Balances:							
Current Accounts		19,079	(1,279)	1,579	4,651	24,030	101,352
Current Accounts - various groups			1,840			1,840	4,288
Deposit Accounts		25,384				25,384	15,094
CFB Deposit Accounts & Trustee Interest Funds			1,296	4,169	0	5,466	18,581
TMCP Deposit Account		597	38,969			39,566	63,935
TMCP - Managed Funds				13,071	82,839	95,910	88,036
Investment							
1 £1 ordinary share in Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd		4,969					
Loan		<u>1</u>	4,970			4,970	4,970
			<u>50,030</u>	<u>40,825</u>	<u>18,819</u>	<u>197,166</u>	<u>296,256</u>
<b>Prepayments and debtors</b>	8	22,191				22,191	32,018
<b>Creditors</b>	9	(2,316)	0			(2,316)	(1,411)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD</b>		<u>69,905</u>	<u>40,825</u>	<u>18,819</u>	<u>87,491</u>	<u>217,040</u>	<u>326,863</u>

**Treasurer**  
**John C Brooke**  
**15th April 2021**

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**Note 1 - Property Lettings**

	General £
Playgroup	5,154
Chapel Street office rents	2,275
Charity Shop	715
Coffee Shop to cleaning, light, heat and power	2,450
Others	10,204
	<u>20,798</u>

**Note 2 - Fundraising**

**Redevelopment Fund**

	Designated £
Individual donations & tax claimed on Gift Aid	295
Events and other fundraising	3,652
	<u>3,947</u>

**Note 3 - Other receipts**

**General Fund**

	General £
Coffee mornings and catering	1,101
Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd - Gift Aid	-
	<u>1,101</u>

**Note 4 - Development costs**

	Designated £
Bin fencing & other minor items	785
	<u>785</u>

**Note 5 - Repairs, maintenance**

	General £
General repairs & service contracts	4,692
	<u>4,692</u>

**Note 6 - Donations to Methodist Organisations**

	General £
Fund for Property	200
Fund for Presbyters	200
	<u>400</u>

**Note 6a - Donations to non-Methodist Organisations**

**General & Benevolent Funds**

	General £	Designated £
Royal British Legion	30	
Fleetwood Methodist Church	750	
Mau Hospital, Kenya	500	500
The Ministry of Flowers		250
<b>Groups and Organisations</b>		450
	<u>1,280</u>	<u>1,200</u>

**Note 6b - Specific collections passed on to external organisations**

	Designated £
Noisy Collection - "All We Can"	930
Comfort Zone	200
Vincent House	200
Coffee Shop tip collections:	361
Maua Hospital, Kenya	555
Action for Children	359
	<u>2,605</u>

**Note 7 - Other payments**

	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £
Printing, stationery, email, Wi-Fi & telephone	3,458			
Organist fees & maintenance	480			
Covid 19 equipment and communication costs	1,736			
Messy Church (net of income) & conference costs for young people				
Book-keeping & accountancy professional fees	2,880			
TMCP professional fees			34	169
Messy Church (net of income) & conference costs for young people				1,117
Performing Rights licence fees	942			
Sundries & PR Licence	519			
	<u>10,015</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>

**Note 8 - Prepayments and debtors**

	£
Electric solar panel 'feed in tariff'	400
Debtor - Gift Aid tax rebate due	4,361
Debtor - Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd - Gift Aid	3,267
Payment in advance - Circuit Contribution	14,163
	<u>22,191</u>

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Note 9 - Creditors**

	£
Various expenses	720
Monies to be passed over to Charities & Mission	87
The Holt Trust Income	1,509
	<u>2,316</u>

**Note 10 - Designated Accounts**

	Opening Funds	Income & Interest	Expenses	Methodist & Charitable Donations	Transferred to General Fund	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Internal Organisations</b>						
The Badminton Club	328	301			(100)	* 529
Focus	546	272			(500)	318
The Choir	403					* 403
The Ministers Class	675	122	(100)	(450)		247
The Ladies Recreational Group	96				(500)	* (404)
The Flower Guild	107	580	(578)			109
The Gardening Club	22	265	(58)			229
Cameo	963				(755)	* 208
The Poulton Festival	114					* 114
The Indoor Bowling Club	89					* 89
	<u>3,343</u>	<u>1,540</u>	<u>(736)</u>	<u>(450)</u>	<u>(1,855)</u>	<u>1,842</u>

\* no accounts reviewed

**Note 11 - Permanent Endowment & Restricted Funds held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't Losses	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404	8,708	148	(116)		(131)	(17)	8,593
<i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>							
The Betsy Holt Memorial Endowment - Trust 17926	30,340	552	(460)		(491)	(61)	29,881
<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
The Ronald Holt Endowment - Trust 11734	34,369	640	(543)		(571)	(69)	33,826
<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
The Parkinson Memorial Fund - Trust 10121	4,950	47	(39)	(452)	0	(5)	4,500
<i>Income to be used to assist in Christian training of young people</i>							
The William Parkinson Bequest - 10121A	100	1				(1)	100
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**Poulton le Fylde**



**The Methodist Church Poulton Le Fylde**

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**for the**

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**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2020**

**INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT**

**GENERAL FUND**

**Receipts**

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Transfers between funds		2,917	(1,855)	131	(1,193)	0	0
<b>SUB TOTAL - GENERAL FUNDS</b>		<u>90,964</u>	<u>3,009</u>	<u>428</u>	<u>354</u>	<u>94,755</u>	<u>122,762</u>

**Other receipts**

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Collections received for external organisations	6		2,604			2,604	1,584
Unrealised profit on investments				(235)	(1,300)	(1,535)	3,514
<b>TOTAL</b>		<u>90,964</u>	<u>5,905</u>	<u>193</u>	<u>(946)</u>	<u>96,117</u>	<u>128,338</u>

**PAYMENTS**

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Caretaker and cleaning		<u>8,919</u>	73,262			73,262	90,021
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Water, fuel and electricity charges		6,841					
Insurance		<u>3,482</u>	10,323			10,323	13,127
Donations - Methodist Organisations	6	400					
Donations - General Fund	6a	<u>1,280</u>	1,680			1,680	1,135
Donations - Redevelopment Fund							
Donations - from Organisations	6a	450					
Donations - Benevolent Fund	6a	<u>750</u>	1,200			1,200	1,720
Other payments	7		10,015		34	1,286	7,454
<b>SUB-TOTAL- GENERAL FUNDS</b>		<u>95,279</u>	<u>1,985</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>	<u>98,584</u>	<u>115,386</u>
Specific collections passed onto external organisations	6b		2,605			2,605	1,584
<b>TOTAL PAID</b>		<u>95,279</u>	<u>4,590</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>	<u>101,189</u>	<u>116,970</u>

**Net income (expenditure) for the year**

		<u>(4,315)</u>	<u>1,316</u>	<u>159</u>	<u>(2,232)</u>	<u>(5,072)</u>	<u>11,368</u>
						(5,072)	

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Financial Accounts for the year ended 31st August 2020**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS & LIABILITIES AS AT 31st AUGUST 2020**

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<b>General Fund</b>						0	
Balance at start of year	74,220						
Deficit for year	(4,315)						
Transfer from Legacy Fund		69,904				69,904	66,474
<b>Designated Funds</b>							
<b>Funds of Various Groups and Organisations</b>							
Balance at start of year	10	3,341					
Net Expenditure		(1,503)	1,838			1,838	4,288
<b>Property Renewal Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		(3,446)					
Surplus for year		3,172	(274)			(274)	84,185
<b>Benevolent Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		750					
Surplus for year		(458)	292			292	472
<b>Legacy and Gifts in Memory Fund</b>							
Balance at start of year		38,864					
Transfer of Funds to General Funds	11	105	38,969			38,969	63,864
<b>Restricted Funds</b>							
Balance at start of year	11	18,660					
Received during year		159		18,819		18,819	18,897
<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>							
Balance at start of year	11	89,723					
Deficit during year		(2,232)			87,491	87,491	88,683
		<u>69,904</u>	<u>40,825</u>	<u>18,819</u>	<u>87,491</u>	<u>217,040</u>	<u>326,863</u>
<b>Assets</b>							
<b>Summary of how funds are held</b>							
Bank & Cash Balances:							
Current Accounts		19,079	(1,279)	1,579	4,651	24,030	101,352
Current Accounts - various groups			1,840			1,840	4,288
Deposit Accounts		25,384				25,384	15,094
CFB Deposit Accounts & Trustee Interest Funds			1,296	4,169	0	5,466	18,581
TMCP Deposit Account		597	38,969			39,566	63,935
TMCP - Managed Funds				13,071	82,839	95,910	88,036
Investment							
1 £1 ordinary share in Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd		4,969					
Loan		<u>1</u>	4,970			4,970	4,970
			<u>50,030</u>	<u>40,825</u>	<u>18,819</u>	<u>197,166</u>	<u>296,256</u>
<b>Prepayments and debtors</b>	8	22,191				22,191	32,018
<b>Creditors</b>	9	(2,316)	0			(2,316)	(1,411)
<b>TOTAL FUNDS HELD</b>		<u>69,905</u>	<u>40,825</u>	<u>18,819</u>	<u>87,491</u>	<u>217,040</u>	<u>326,863</u>

**Treasurer**  
**John C Brooke**  
 15th April 2021

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS**

**Note 1 - Property Lettings**

	General £
Playgroup	5,154
Chapel Street office rents	2,275
Charity Shop	715
Coffee Shop to cleaning, light, heat and power	2,450
Others	10,204
	<u>20,798</u>

**Note 2 - Fundraising**

**Redevelopment Fund**

	Designated £
Individual donations & tax claimed on Gift Aid	295
Events and other fundraising	3,652
	<u>3,947</u>

**Note 3 - Other receipts**

**General Fund**

	General £
Coffee mornings and catering	1,101
Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd - Gift Aid	-
	<u>1,101</u>

**Note 4 - Development costs**

	Designated £
Bin fencing & other minor items	785
	<u>785</u>

**Note 5 - Repairs, maintenance**

	General £
General repairs & service contracts	4,692
	<u>4,692</u>

**Note 6 - Donations to Methodist Organisations**

	General £
Fund for Property	200
Fund for Presbyters	200
	<u>400</u>

**Note 6a - Donations to non-Methodist Organisations**

**General & Benevolent Funds**

	General £	Designated £
Royal British Legion	30	
Fleetwood Methodist Church	750	
Mau Hospital, Kenya	500	500
The Ministry of Flowers		250
<b>Groups and Organisations</b>		450
	<u>1,280</u>	<u>1,200</u>

**Note 6b - Specific collections passed on to external organisations**

	Designated £
Noisy Collection - "All We Can"	930
Comfort Zone	200
Vincent House	200
Coffee Shop tip collections:	361
Maua Hospital, Kenya	555
Action for Children	359
	<u>2,605</u>

**Note 7 - Other payments**

	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £
Printing, stationery, email, Wi-Fi & telephone	3,458			
Organist fees & maintenance	480			
Covid 19 equipment and communication costs	1,736			
Messy Church (net of income) & conference costs for young people				
Book-keeping & accountancy professional fees	2,880			
TMCP professional fees			34	169
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Performing Rights licence fees	942			
Sundries & PR Licence	519			
	<u>10,015</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>

**Note 8 - Prepayments and debtors**

	£
Electric solar panel 'feed in tariff'	400
Debtor - Gift Aid tax rebate due	4,361
Debtor - Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd - Gift Aid	3,267
Payment in advance - Circuit Contribution	14,163
	<u>22,191</u>

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

**Note 9 - Creditors**

	£
Various expenses	720
Monies to be passed over to Charities & Mission	87
The Holt Trust Income	1,509
	<u>2,316</u>

**Note 10 - Designated Accounts**

	Opening Funds	Income & Interest	Expenses	Methodist & Charitable Donations	Transferred to General Fund	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Internal Organisations</b>						
The Badminton Club	328	301			(100)	* 529
Focus	546	272			(500)	318
The Choir	403					* 403
The Ministers Class	675	122	(100)	(450)		247
The Ladies Recreational Group	96				(500)	* (404)
The Flower Guild	107	580	(578)			109
The Gardening Club	22	265	(58)			229
Cameo	963				(755)	* 208
The Poulton Festival	114					* 114
The Indoor Bowling Club	89					* 89
	<u>3,343</u>	<u>1,540</u>	<u>(736)</u>	<u>(450)</u>	<u>(1,855)</u>	<u>1,842</u>

\* no accounts reviewed

**Note 11 - Permanent Endowment & Restricted Funds held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

**Permanent Endowment Funds**

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<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
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**GENERAL FUND**

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**Treasurer**  
**John C Brooke**  
**15th April 2021**

**POULTON LE FYLDE METHODIST CHURCH**

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Bin fencing & other minor items	785
	<u>785</u>

**Note 5 - Repairs, maintenance**

	General £
General repairs & service contracts	4,692
	<u>4,692</u>

**Note 6 - Donations to Methodist Organisations**

	General £
Fund for Property	200
Fund for Presbyters	200
	<u>400</u>

**Note 6a - Donations to non-Methodist Organisations**

**General & Benevolent Funds**

	General £	Designated £
Royal British Legion	30	
Fleetwood Methodist Church	750	
Mau Hospital, Kenya	500	500
The Ministry of Flowers		250
<b>Groups and Organisations</b>		450
	<u>1,280</u>	<u>1,200</u>

**Note 6b - Specific collections passed on to external organisations**

	Designated £
Noisy Collection - "All We Can"	930
Comfort Zone	200
Vincent House	200
Coffee Shop tip collections:	361
Maua Hospital, Kenya	555
Action for Children	359
	<u>2,605</u>

**Note 7 - Other payments**

	General £	Designated £	Restricted £	Endowment £
Printing, stationery, email, Wi-Fi & telephone	3,458			
Organist fees & maintenance	480			
Covid 19 equipment and communication costs	1,736			
Messy Church (net of income) & conference costs for young people				
Book-keeping & accountancy professional fees	2,880			
TMCP professional fees			34	169
Messy Church (net of income) & conference costs for young people				1,117
Performing Rights licence fees	942			
Sundries & PR Licence	519			
	<u>10,015</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>34</u>	<u>1,286</u>

**Note 8 - Prepayments and debtors**

	£
Electric solar panel 'feed in tariff'	400
Debtor - Gift Aid tax rebate due	4,361
Debtor - Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd - Gift Aid	3,267
Payment in advance - Circuit Contribution	14,163
	<u>22,191</u>

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**Note 9 - Creditors**

	£
Various expenses	720
Monies to be passed over to Charities & Mission	87
The Holt Trust Income	1,509
	<u>2,316</u>

**Note 10 - Designated Accounts**

	Opening Funds	Income & Interest	Expenses	Methodist & Charitable Donations	Transferred to General Fund	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Internal Organisations</b>						
The Badminton Club	328	301			(100)	* 529
Focus	546	272			(500)	318
The Choir	403					* 403
The Ministers Class	675	122	(100)	(450)		247
The Ladies Recreational Group	96				(500)	* (404)
The Flower Guild	107	580	(578)			109
The Gardening Club	22	265	(58)			229
Cameo	963				(755)	* 208
The Poulton Festival	114					* 114
The Indoor Bowling Club	89					* 89
	<u>3,343</u>	<u>1,540</u>	<u>(736)</u>	<u>(450)</u>	<u>(1,855)</u>	<u>1,842</u>

\* no accounts reviewed

**Note 11 - Permanent Endowment & Restricted Funds held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

<b>Permanent Endowment Funds</b>	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't Losses	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404	8,708	148	(116)		(131)	(17)	8,593
<i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>							
The Betsy Holt Memorial Endowment - Trust 17926	30,340	552	(460)		(491)	(61)	29,881
<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
The Ronald Holt Endowment - Trust 11734	34,369	640	(543)		(571)	(69)	33,826
<i>Income to Harvest Collection each year</i>							
The Parkinson Memorial Fund - Trust 10121	4,950	47	(39)	(452)	0	(5)	4,500
<i>Income to be used to assist in Christian training of young people</i>							
The William Parkinson Bequest - 10121A	100	1				(1)	100
<i>1/5th Income to be used for PMC Sunday School</i>							
<i>4/5th Income to be used for general church funds</i>							
The Edna Bowman Bursary - Trust 14145	11,254	160	(142)	(665)	0	(16)	10,590
<i>Income to be used to assist young people to travel on church organised ventures</i>							
	<u>89,722</u>	<u>1,547</u>	<u>(1,300)</u>	<u>(1,117)</u>	<u>(1,193)</u>	<u>(169)</u>	<u>87,490</u>

**Restricted Funds**

	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't Gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Norah Edgar Memorial Fund - 10404A Surplus	18,660	297	(235)		131	(34)	18,819
<i>Income to the furtherance of musical life at PMC</i>							

**Note 11 - Designated Fund held by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes**

	Opening Funds	Interest & dividends	Unrealised Invest't Gains	Fund bequest	Expended & transferred	Fees	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
The Olga Gill Bequest - Trust 22305	39,307	338				(79)	39,566
<i>No restriction on use</i>							

**Note 12 - Related Parties**

The Poulton Methodist Coffee Shop Ltd (No 07031781) is a separate legal entity wholly owned by Poulton Methodist Church. It was incorporated on 28th September 2009 and commenced operation on 1st September 2010. The statutory officers are officials of the church namely: the Minister, the senior steward, the treasurer and 2 others all appointed by the Church Council. The day to day running of the operation is carried out by a Management Committee.

Poulton Methodist Church Council has granted a Licence to the company to operate on the church premises, whereby the company agrees to make a monthly contribution as to costs incurred and at the end of the companies financial year to Gift Aid the total net surplus (if any) to the Church. The financial transactions for the year to 31st August 2020 are as follows:

	£	
Monthly contribution	2,450	<i>included in Note 1</i>
Gift Aid Donation	-	<i>included in Note 2</i>
	<u>7,467</u>	

# **The Methodist Church Poulton le Fylde**

## **Independent Examiner's Report to the members of Poulton le Fylde Methodist Church Council**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020 which are set out above.

### **Respective responsibilities of the council members and examiner**

The charity's council consider that an audit is not required for this year (under section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

examine the accounts (under section 43 of the Act),  
to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 43(7) of the Act, and  
to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

### **Basis of independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Council members concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out below.

### **Independent examiner's statement**

In the course of my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

1. Which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in, any material respect, the requirements:

To keep accounting records in accordance with section 41 of the Act; and  
prepare accounts and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act; have not been met; or

2. To which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

**Keith Bleazard**  
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**Poulton le Fylde**