

CHARITY NUMBER: 1136146

Report of the Trustees and
Financial Statements
for the Year ended 31st August 2024
for
Haywards Heath Methodist Church

HAYWARDS HEATH METHODIST CHURCH

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Legal and Administrative Information for the Year ended 31st August 2024

Registered Charity No: 1136146

Charity Name: Haywards Heath Methodist Church

Address of Charity: Perrymount Road
Haywards Heath
West Sussex
RH16 3DN

Trustees/Council Members:	Barbara Evans-Routley	Will Fletcher
	Carol Andrews	Chris Dyer
	Ken Starnes	Megan Durnford
	Nitya Johnkay	David Jordan
	Claire Steen	Barbara Tomkinson
	Darren White	Alan Colgate
	Marion Cottingham	Gwen Durnford
	Darren White	Matthew Sanusi
	Wendy Sawyers	Anne Jordan
	Viv Kidd	Roz Palmer
	Lynn Savage	

Accountants: Sigma Partners
Delmon House
36-38 Church Road
Burgess Hill
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Bankers: CAF Bank
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Lloyds Bank plc
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The Trustees for Methodist Church
Central Buildings, Oldham Street, Manchester, M1 1JQ

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25 Tavistock Place, London, WC1H 9SF

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Annual Report of the Trustees For the Year ended 31st August 2024

The trustees present their report along with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2024. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out on page 7 and comply with the charity's trust deed and applicable law.

Objectives and Activities

The charity was formed with the primary objectives of fulfilling its responsibilities as a Methodist Church within the Methodist Connexion. The charity delivers opportunities for religious worship and supports its congregation and community.

The trustees have complied with the duty in section 4 of the Charities Act 2011 to have due regard to guidance published by the Charity Commission, including guidance on Public Benefit.

Achievements and Performance

The charity has delivered the provision of religious activities during the year.

The trustees have ensured that the charity has delivered public benefit in the areas of religious worship and community support, through provision of buildings, facilities, open spaces and other charitable activities.

Financial Review

The charity has remained self-sustaining during the year, although general funds show a net deficit of £11,339. Overall, a net surplus of £10,056 has been added to reserves.

The financial position is very stable with net assets of £394,948.

Financial Review - Reserves Policy

The agreed reserves policy is to maintain general reserves at a level to cover 6 months routine expenditure. Development funds are only used for larger capital projects and property funds are maintained for income and expenditure relating to the property. Other funds are designated but not restricted and can be used to top up general funds if required, and by agreement of the trustees.

Structure, Governance and Management

Haywards Heath Methodist Church is a church within the Methodist Connexion in Great Britain. It is governed by the Methodist Deed of Union.

The trustees named on page 1 have served throughout the year and since the year end. The day to day work of the charity is carried out by the trustees, and a paid administrative assistant.

If any further trustees were appointed, they would be introduced to their new role and directed to the Methodist Deed of Union. A number of publications from the Charity Commission would also be provided to ensure that new trustees would be aware of the scope of their responsibilities under the Charities Act.

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Annual Report of the Trustees

For the Year ended 31st August 2024

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Reference and Administrative Details

The Haywards Heath Methodist Church is a registered charity, number 1136146. See page 1 for the address of the principal office and the details of the individuals who served as Trustees during the year.

Exemptions from Disclosure

None.

Funds held as Custodian Trustee on behalf of others

None.

Trustees Responsibilities in relation to the Financial Statements

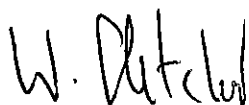
Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustees are required to:

- (a) select suitable accounting policies and apply them consistently;
- (b) make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- (c) state whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed, subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- (d) prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in operation.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approval

This report was approved by the trustees on 30th January 2025 and signed on their behalf.



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Rev. William Fletcher
Trustee

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Independent Examiner's Report to the Haywards Heath Methodist Church

We report on the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31st August 2024, which are set out on pages 5 to 10.

RESPECTIVE RESPONSIBILITIES OF TRUSTEES AND EXAMINER

As the charity's trustees you are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements; you consider that the audit requirement of section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 does not apply, and that an independent examination is needed. It is our responsibility to examine the financial statements under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 Charity and to state, on the basis of procedures specified in the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners under section 145(b) of the Charities Act 2011, whether particular matters have come to our attention.

BASIS OF INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

The independent examiner is qualified to act as a fellow of the ACCA.

Our examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commissioners and under s145 of the Charities Act 2011. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items of disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently we do not express an audit opinion on the view given by the financial statements.

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S STATEMENT

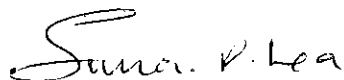
In connection with our examination, no matter has come to our attention:

which gives us reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act 2011;
- for the accounts to match the accounting records;
- to prepare the accounts in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102); and
- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and to comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act 2011

have not been met;

to which, in our opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the financial statements to be reached.



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Statement of Financial Activities for the Year ended 31st August 2024

INCOMING RESOURCES

	Notes	General Fund	Property Fund	Development Fund	Other Designated Funds	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2024 £	TOTAL 2023 £
Freewill giving	2	85338					85338	95832
Lettings			35884				35884	35835
Dona facility (net)		6043					6043	4776
Youth and Families Worker	3	807			8865		8865	25733
Donations					2074		2881	9384
Legacies						10000	10000	51405
Reclassify historic legacies and bequests					21263		21263	0
Interest	4	9202			5227	192	14621	7059
Total Incoming Resources		101390	35884	0	37429	10192	184895	230024

RESOURCES (EXPENDED)

Property expenses	5		-35581				-35581	-31583
United Area Assessment		-86250					-86250	-75000
Music		-2966					-2966	-2370
Grants & Donations							0	-10000
Youth and Families Worker					-23732		-23732	-31925
Office		-16025					-16025	-15073
Other expenses	7	-7488			-2797		-10285	-7192
Depreciation							0	0
Total Resources (Expended)		-112729	-35581	0	-26529	0	-174839	-173143

Net Income / (Expenditure)

Net Income / (Expenditure)		-11339	303	0	10900	10192	10056	56881
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Balance brought forward 1st September 2023

Balance brought forward 1st September 2023		74423	29196	128074	153199	0	384892	328011
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Balance carried forward 31st August 2024

Balance carried forward 31st August 2024		63084	29499	128074	164099	10192	394948	384892
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The notes on pages 7 to 10 form part of these financial statements


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Balance Sheet as at 31st August 2024

	Notes	2024		2023	
		£		£	
		Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Unrestricted Funds
Fixed Assets		Total	Total	Total	Total
Tangible Assets	8	0	0	0	0
Current Assets					
Debtors	9	31318	31318	0	27266
CFB Deposit Account		144625	144625	0	183969
TMCP Accounts	10192	107895	118087	0	102668
Cash - Church Accounts		111475	111475	0	100885
Total Current Assets		10192	395313	0	414788
Current Liabilities					
Falling due within one year	10	0	10557	0	29896
NET CURRENT ASSETS		10192	384756	0	384892
NET ASSETS		10192	384756	0	384892
Income Funds					
General		63084	63084	0	74423
Property		29499	29499	0	29196
Development	11	10192	128074	0	128074
Other Designated	12		164099	0	153199
TOTAL FUNDS		10192	384756	0	384892

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Approved by the Managing Trustees at the 30th January 2025 Church Council Meeting


Ken Starnes
Church Treasurer

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Notes to the accounts for the Year to 31st August 2024

Haywards Heath Methodist Church is a Church within the Methodist Connexion in Great Britain, and these accounts are prepared in accordance with the Constitution, Practice and Discipline of that Church.

1. Accounting Policies

Accounting Convention

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' (FRS 102 SORP) and the Charities Act. The format of the SOFA balance sheet takes advantage of the small charity concessions set out in the SORP.

Tangible Fixed Assets and Depreciation

Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church are stated at cost less depreciation.

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off the cost of fixed assets over their expected useful lives on the following basis:

Property Development:	20 years straight line basis
Furniture and Equipment:	10 years straight line basis

Going Concern

The accounts are prepared on a going concern basis.

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
2. Freewill Giving		
Loose cash including CAF	9027	11648
Envelopes	9898	10934
Standing Orders	51643	55094
Tax Refunds	14770	18156
Total	<u>85338</u>	<u>95832</u>

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Notes to the accounts for the Year to 31st August 2024 (cont.)

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
3. Donations and Gifts - General Fund		
Church Organisations	500	845
Other	307	4739
Total	<u>807</u>	<u>5584</u>

4. Interest of £14,621 has been received on various bank balances throughout the year. The income has been allocated to the funds to which it relates.

5. Property Maintenance		
Caretaker / Cleaner	7994	6700
Utilities	13684	8671
Cleaning and sundries	454	650
Insurance	5031	4802
Maintenance / Repairs	8418	10760
Total	<u>35581</u>	<u>31583</u>

6. Staff Numbers (average)		
Youth/Family Worker	1	1
Administrative Assistant	1	1

No remuneration was paid to trustees in the year. Any expenses reimbursed to trustees were directly for charitable purposes.

7. Other Expenses - General Fund		
Telephone / Internet	1861	1004
Church consumables	532	328
Equipment	102	143
Junior Church	64	60
Bank charges	62	60
Independent Examination Fee	2250	2280
Professional Fees	2494	1222
Sundry	123	44
Total	<u>7488</u>	<u>5141</u>

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	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
8. Fixed Assets		
Property Development		
At 1st September 2023	631621	631621
Additions	0	0
31st August 2024	<u>631621</u>	<u>631621</u>
Depreciation		
At 1st September 2023	631621	631621
Charge for year	0	0
31st August 2024	<u>631621</u>	<u>631621</u>
Net Book Value		
At 31st August 2024	<u>0</u>	
At 31st August 2023		<u>0</u>
Furniture & Equipment		
At 1st September 2023	52695	52695
Additions	0	0
31st August 2024	<u>52695</u>	<u>52695</u>
Depreciation		
At 1st September 2023	52695	52695
Charge for year	0	0
31st August 2024	<u>52695</u>	<u>52695</u>
Net Book Value		
At 31st August 2024	<u>0</u>	
At 31st August 2023		<u>0</u>
<u>TOTAL FIXED ASSETS</u>		
At 31st August 2024	<u>0</u>	
At 31st August 2023		<u>0</u>

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Notes to the accounts for the Year to 31st August 2024 (cont.)

	<u>2024</u>	<u>2023</u>
	£	£
9. Debtors		
United Area contribution prepaid	22500	18750
Income Tax recoverable	6953	6563
Prepayments / Other	1865	1953
Total	<u>31318</u>	<u>27266</u>

10. Creditors		
Accruals	4094	4505
Other	6463	25391
Total	<u>10557</u>	<u>29896</u>

11. Development Fund	<u>Restricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>	<u>Unrestricted</u>
Fund balance	10192	128074	128074
Fixed Asset values	0	0	0
Total	<u>10192</u>	<u>128074</u>	<u>128074</u>

12. Other Designated Funds	<u>Opening Balance</u>	<u>Transfer in</u>	<u>Reclassification</u>	<u>Interest received</u>	<u>Gifts received</u>	<u>Spent</u>	<u>Closing Balance</u>
Musical Instruments	10748					-1016	9732
Major Works	16000					-1680	14320
Books & Music	5078						5078
Office Equipment	3381						3381
Prest Legacy	55000						55000
Youth/Families Worker	22439				8865	-23732	7572
Benevolence	2072				844	-101	2815
Outreach	38481				1230		39711
Other legacies and bequests			21263	5227			26490
Total	<u>153199</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>21263</u>	<u>5227</u>	<u>10939</u>	<u>-26529</u>	<u>164099</u>

The Designated Funds above are not restricted.

13. Restricted Funds

The legacy of £10,000 received in the year is restricted by the terms of the donor's Will. These funds are only to be used as development funds.

14. Related party transactions

There were no related party transactions this year or last.