CHRIST CHURCH, UXBRIDGE

England & Wales · Charity number 1139255

Details

Status	Registered
Legal form	Previously excepted
Registered	2010-12-02
Register	View on the Charity Commission register

Contact

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Activities

Objects: THE PURPOSE OF THE CHARITY IS TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN THE AREA OF BENEFIT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICES OF THE PARTICIPATING CHURCHES.

Activities: Religious activities

Classification

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

Geography

- Hillingdon

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Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£246,668	£232,718	-	-
2023-08-31	£216,909	£214,649	-	-
2022-08-31	£248,342	£209,406	-	-
2021-08-31	£248,342	£209,406	-	-
2020-08-31	£227,207	£212,710	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Neil Mackin	Chair	2025-02-23
Catherine Simpson		2021-03-01
Joanne Mary Mackin BA		2020-02-23
Joshua Mandozana		2026-02-15
Louise George		2021-03-01

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Accounts

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CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

UNAUDITED

TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Mrs Joanne Mackin, Trustee Mrs Louise George, Trustee Mrs Stephanie Marr, Trustee (resigned 23 February 2024) Mrs Catherine Simpson, Trustee Mr Neil Mackin, Trustee (appointed 23 February 2025) Mr Peter King, Trustee (appointed 23 February 2025)
Charity registered number	1139255
Principal office	Christ Church Redford Way Uxbridge UB8 1SZ

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

The Church Council present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the United Reformed Church guidance, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and the provisions of the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

This report is signed by a designated trustee on behalf of all of them.

Structure, governance and management

The Church was established by the amalgamation of Uxbridge United Reformed Church and Uxbridge Methodist Church on 28 September 1972 and is governed by its constitution adopted on 8 August 2010. The Church's objectives are to advance its religious and charitable work. It is a registered charity number 1139255.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Mrs Louise George
Mrs Joanne Mackin
Mrs Stephine Marr (resigned 23 Februray 2024)
Mrs Catherine Simpson

The trustees normally meet six times in the year but ongoing business means that meetings have been held more often during this financial year.

The church is a joint Methodist and United Reformed Church.

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness. These trustees together with the Minister are known as the Church Council. The Trustees are also known as Elders within the church.

Trustees are required to have been a Church member for at least 12 months. During their term of office, training is through bible study, ongoing experience and exposure to denominational literature and meetings.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

a. Policies and objectives

In setting our activities and planning our activities, the church council has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

The purpose of Christ Church is to bring the love of God to the heart of Uxbridge by being a worshipping, caring community which accepts people as they are and helps them live life to the full.

We believe in an inclusive Church – a church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

During the year September 2023-August 2024 Christ Church worked toward the appointment of a new minister, sharing ministry with Ickenham United Reformed Church. The new minister was appointed in June 2024 and will come into post at the beginning of the new financial year. Worship and charitable activities continued under the oversight of the Elders, with support from the Methodist and United Reformed Church.

b. Review of activities

Wilmar Close was let at commercial rates during the whole year.

Trust income was not quite in line with budget as there was a late payment after a change of treasurers. We acknowledge our thanks to the trustees of the Uxbridge United Reformed Church Charity for their substantial contribution. Additional payments have been agreed to cover the Church’s contribution towards accommodation for the new minister, which has been held ready for the start of the new minister’s time at the church..

It is encouraging to see that we are still able to support our Outreach aspirations with contributions to Communicare Counselling Service and others totalling around £19,000 in the year.

Outreach activities of the Church have continued, with the extension of the Government’s Warm Welcome Scheme into ‘Welcome Wednesdays’. These sessions are funded and staffed by the Church on alternate Wednesdays, providing low-key activities and a space for community access. The sessions take place on alternate Wednesdays. The church café ceased operating at the end of FY 2022-23 with a cash balance that was added to church funds in September 2023.

Another aspect of the Church’s outreach is the support of Boys’ Brigade and Girls’ Brigade companies. These reach many local families and although largely self-funding through weekly subs, the Church provides additional funding, use of premises and staff and weekly helpers from the congregation.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Achievements and performance (continued)

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Church that unrestricted funds should be maintained at a level equivalent to between six and nine months' expenditure. The Church Council considers 'that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Church's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised'. The level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. The Church holds sufficient funds to enable it to cover current levels of expenditure and into the foreseeable future.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church is a registered charity, number 1139255, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees continue to work hard to sustain Christ Church but have struggled with capacity and succession planning. There have been three Trustees in post during half of this financial year, working with a co-opted member on Church Council as well as support from members and friends. One of the original four Trustees stepped down at the Annual Congregational Meeting with no-one else to step into their place. The Trustees continued to take capacity and burnout issues very seriously and during the year there were fewer initiatives such as study groups running at the church. It is hoped that the appointment of the new minister will help to alleviate this and the Trustees will be asking him to support prayer and bible study within the Church. The Trustees are keen to encourage support of the activities put in place by other local churches and our partner denominations. This includes promoting Churches Together in Uxbridge activities and signposting resources for study and prayer from the Methodist and United Reformed Churches.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

Approved on behalf of the Church Council:
Date:

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 August 2024.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 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.

Signed: Dated:

David Alesbury Chartered Accountant

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Chartered Accountants
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London
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	**48,666**	**100,534**	**149,200**	*140,615*
Charitable activities	5	**87,053**	**-**	**87,053**	*70,804*
Investments	6	**10,415**	**-**	**10,415**	*5,490*
Total income		**146,134**	**100,534**	**246,668**	*216,909*
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	7	**215,003**	**17,715**	**232,718**	*214,649*
Total expenditure		**215,003**	**17,715**	**232,718**	*214,649*
Net movement in funds		**(68,869)**	**82,819**	**13,950**	*2,260*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**237,527**	**236,937**	**474,464**	*472,204*
Net movement in funds		**(68,869)**	**82,819**	**13,950**	*2,260*
Total funds carried forward		**168,658**	**319,756**	**488,414**	*474,464*

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 9 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2024

	Note		2024 £		*2023* *£*
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		**171,313**		*172,976*
			171,313		*172,976*
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		**348,152**		*330,595*	
		348,152		*330,595*	
Current liabilities					
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	**(31,051)**		*(29,107)*	
Net current assets			**317,101**		*301,488*
Total assets less current liabilities			**488,414**		*474,464*
Net assets excluding pension asset			**488,414**		*474,464*
Total net assets			**488,414**		*474,464*
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	14		**319,756**		*236,937*
Unrestricted funds	14		**168,658**		*237,527*
Total funds			**488,414**		*474,464*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on
and signed on their behalf by:

The notes on pages 9 to 21 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

1. General information

Christ Church, Uxbridge is registered as a charity number 1139255, set up in the United Kingdom and governed under the Charities Act 2011. The organisation is an unincorporated association, registered in England and Wales and in Scotland.

It is part of the Methodist Harrow and Hillingdon circuit and the United Reformed Church Thames North Synod.

The address of the church is Redford Way, Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ.

We acknowledge our outreach by using the term ‘Christ Church and Communicare’.

The title to the Church buildings is held by URC Thames North Trust whose address is St Paul’s URC, Newton Road, Bayswater, London W2 5LS.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with guidance issued by the Methodist Church.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The presentation currency is pounds sterling and figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

2.2 Going concern

The financial statements of the Charity are prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As a result, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. No material uncertainties exist.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Income

All voluntary giving is included in the financial statements for the period in which it is received.

Donations under Gift Aid plus the associated tax recovery are recognised as income when the donation is received.

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

2.4 Expenditure

The URC Ministry & Mission Fund contribution is paid regularly as is the Methodist Circuit contribution and are included in the financial statements.

Resources expended are recognised in the period to which they are incurred and include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. They are allocated to the particular activity to which they relate.

Governance costs represent direct expenditure on the governance of the church, including the production and independent scrutiny of these financial statements.

As most of the management and activity of the church is carried out by volunteers, this intangible cost is not included in the financial statements as this voluntary contribution to the life of the church is incalculable.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

2.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.6 Taxation

As part of the United Reformed Church, the church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

2.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)

Freehold property: The Trustees of the church and manse buildings are the URC Thames North Synod Trust and of the manse are Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit who hold them upon trust for purposes connected with Christ Church.

Equipment: Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Furniture	-	15%	Straight line
IT Equipment	-	33%	Straight line

2.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.10 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.11 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2.12 Fund accounting

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for use at the discretion of the church in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Donations	2,075	-	**2,075**	*3,526*
Grants	-	100,534	**100,534**	*120,375*
Offertory	46,591	-	**46,591**	*16,714*
	48,666	100,534	**149,200**	*140,615*
Total 2023	*20,240*	*120,375*	*140,615*	

4. Ministry & Mission Fund

The church contributes to the central URC costs of training and providing ministers (including the centralised payment of stipends, pension contributions and other benefits for ministers), running the denomination, and the wider mission of the national church. This annual budget amounts to some £21million, 82% of which relates to minister costs, and 91% is provided through the Ministry & Mission Fund contributions from churches.

5. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Car Parking	8,407	**8,407**	*7,250*
Church lettings	61,304	**61,304**	*44,843*
Wilmar Close rent	16,927	**16,927**	*17,468*
Church Cafe	415	**415**	*1,243*
	87,053	**87,053**	*70,804*
Total 2023	*70,804*	*70,804*	

6. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Bank Interest	10,415	**10,415**	*5,490*
Total 2023	*5,490*	*5,490*	

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	Restricted funds 2024 £	Total 2024 £	*Total 2023 £*
Church Activites - Administration	48,613	-	**48,613**	*38,634*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	572	-	**572**	*590*
Church Activites -Church costs	123,509	-	**123,509**	*102,154*
Church Activites -Other programmes	-	17,715	**17,715**	*15,057*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	31,914	-	**31,914**	*36,251*
Church Activities - Other Costs	8,238	-	**8,238**	*5,537*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	2,157	-	**2,157**	*2,157*
Church cafe	-	-	**-**	*14,269*
	215,003	17,715	**232,718**	*214,649*
Total 2023	*185,323*	*29,326*	*214,649*	

8. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2024 £	Support costs 2024 £	Total funds 2024 £	*Total funds 2023 £*
Church Activites - Administration	-	48,613	**48,613**	*38,634*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	572	-	**572**	*590*
Church Activites -Church costs	123,509	-	**123,509**	*102,154*
Church Activites -Other programmes	17,715	-	**17,715**	*15,057*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	31,914	-	**31,914**	*36,251*
Church Activities - Other Costs	4,894	3,344	**8,238**	*5,537*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	2,157	-	**2,157**	*2,157*
Church cafe	-	-	**-**	*14,269*
	180,761	51,957	**232,718**	*214,649*
Total 2023	*173,821*	*40,828*	*214,649*	

9. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2024 £	*2023 £*
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	**2,540**	*2,940*

10. Staff costs

	2024 £	*2023 £*
Wages and salaries	**96,237**	*95,674*
Social security costs	**1,913**	*3,040*
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**2,603**	*2,207*
	100,753	*100,921*

10. Staff costs (continued)

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2024 No.	*2023* *No.*
Direct charitable activities	**5**	*5*

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

11. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits *(2023 - £NIL)*.

During the year ended 31 August 2024, expenses totalling £88 were reimbursed or paid directly to 2 Trustees *(2023 - £737 to 2 Trustees)*. Expenses incurred were for travel, sustenance and administration purpose.

12. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 September 2023	**169,035**	**34,185**	**17,777**	**220,997**
Additions	**-**	**494**	**-**	**494**
At 31 August 2024	**169,035**	**34,679**	**17,777**	**221,491**
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2023	**-**	**33,571**	**14,450**	**48,021**
Charge for the year	**-**	**236**	**1,921**	**2,157**
At 31 August 2024	**-**	**33,807**	**16,371**	**50,178**
Net book value				
At 31 August 2024	**169,035**	**872**	**1,406**	**171,313**
At 31 August 2023	*169,035*	*614*	*3,327*	*172,976*

For the reasons stated in Accounting Policy 2.7, the church and manse buildings are not tangible fixed assets of the church. For insurance purposes the church buildings are insured by the church for £2,501,061 and Wilmar Close for £210,388. The church contents are insured for £350,340.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2024 £	*2023 £*
Trade creditors	**2,540**	-
Other taxation and social security	**1,065**	*1,661*
Other creditors	**27,446**	*27,446*
	31,051	*29,107*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2024

14. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2023 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 August 2024 £
Unrestricted funds				
Church Fund	**198,455**	**-**	**-**	**198,455**
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	**39,072**	**146,134**	**(215,003)**	**(29,797)**
	237,527	**146,134**	**(215,003)**	**168,658**
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	**75,000**	**-**	**-**	**75,000**
Specific Fund	**161,937**	**100,534**	**(17,715)**	**244,756**
	236,937	**100,534**	**(17,715)**	**319,756**
Total of funds	**474,464**	**246,668**	**(232,718)**	**488,414**

14. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	*Income £*	*Expenditure £*	*Balance at 31 August 2023 £*
Designated funds				
Church Fund	*198,456*	*-*	*-*	*198,456*
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	*127,860*	*96,534*	*(185,323)*	*39,071*
	326,316	*96,534*	*(185,323)*	*237,527*
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	*75,000*	*-*	*-*	*75,000*
Specific Fund	*70,888*	*120,375*	*(29,326)*	*161,937*
	145,888	*120,375*	*(29,326)*	*236,937*
Total of funds	*472,204*	*216,909*	*(214,649)*	*474,464*

15. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2023 £	**Income £**	**Expenditure £**	**Balance at 31 August 2024 £**
Designated funds	**237,527**	**146,134**	**(215,003)**	**168,658**
Restricted funds	**236,937**	**100,534**	**(17,715)**	**319,756**
	474,464	**246,668**	**(232,718)**	**488,414**

15. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	*Income* £	*Expenditure* £	*Balance at 31 August 2023* £
Designated funds	*326,316*	*96,534*	*(185,323)*	*237,527*
Restricted funds	*145,888*	*120,375*	*(29,326)*	*236,937*
	472,204	*216,909*	*(214,649)*	*474,464*

16. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current period

	Unrestricted funds 2024 £	**Restricted funds 2024** £	**Total funds 2024** £
Tangible fixed assets	171,313	-	**171,313**
Current assets	(3,251)	351,403	**348,152**
Creditors due within one year	596	(31,647)	**(31,051)**
Total	168,658	319,756	**488,414**

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior period

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	*Restricted funds 2023* £	*Total funds 2023* £
Tangible fixed assets	*172,976*	*-*	*172,976*
Current assets	*64,551*	*266,045*	*330,596*
Creditors due within one year	*-*	*(29,107)*	*(29,107)*
Total	*237,527*	*236,938*	*474,465*

17. Pension commitments

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amounted to £2,603 (2023 - £2,207). £Nil (2023 - £Nil) was payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and is included in creditors.

18. Related party transactions

The Charity has not entered into any related party transaction during the year, nor are there any outstanding balances owing between related parties and the Charity at 31 August 2024.

CHRIST CHURCH, UXBRIDGE

England & Wales - Charity number 1139255

Accounts

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CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Mrs Joanne Mackin, Trustee Mrs Louise George, Trustee Mrs Stephanie Marr, Trustee Mrs Catherine Simpson, Trustee
Charity registered number	1139255
Principal office	Christ Church Redford Way Uxbridge UB8 1SZ

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

The Church Council present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the United Reformed Church guidance, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and the provisions of the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

This report is signed by a designated trustee on behalf of all of them.

Structure, governance and management

The Church was established by the amalgamation of Uxbridge United Reformed Church and Uxbridge Methodist Church on 28 September 1972 and is governed by its constitution adopted on 8 August 2010. The Church's objectives are to advance its religious and charitable work. It is a registered charity number 1139255.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Mrs Louise George
Mrs Joanne Mackin
Mrs Stephanie Marr
Mrs Catherine Simpson

The trustees normally meet six times in the year but ongoing business means that meetings have been held more often during this financial year.

The church is a joint Methodist and United Reformed Church.

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness. These trustees together with the Minister are known as the Church Council.

Trustees are required to have been a Church member for at least 12 months. During their term of office, training is through bible study, ongoing experience and exposure to denominational literature and meetings.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

In setting our activities and planning our activities, the church council has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

The purpose of Christ Church is to bring the love of God to the heart of Uxbridge by being a worshipping, caring community which accepts people as they are and helps them live life to the full.

We believe in an inclusive Church – a church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

During the year September 2022 - August 2023 Christ Church celebrated 50 years of work and worship and reflected on its current mission. Events were held including as many members and friends as possible and money was raised to support Communicare Counselling Services, originally formed under the umbrella of the church and now an independent charity. In addition, the congregation and Trustees have continued to raise money through coffee mornings and have worked as a team to address some issues of clearing, tidying and decorating the building, bringing at least one room back into general use following a long-term let.

b. Review of activities

Wilmar Close was let at commercial rates during the whole year.
Trust income was in line with budget and we acknowledge our thanks to the trustees of the Uxbridge United Reformed Church Charity for their substantial contribution.
During the year we had no minister. Following the retirement of our Methodist minister our payments for Methodist Ministry were at a similar level to last year. Our payments to the United Reformed Church remained broadly similar to 2021-22.

It is encouraging to see that we are still able to support our Outreach aspirations with contributions to Communicare Counselling Service and others totalling around £19,000 in the year.

After several years of setting a large deficit budget to reduce reserves, the Trustees looked at whether this was currently sustainable with the reduced earnings from lettings due to lower room occupancy rates post Covid. The budget was agreed with this in mind and the church congregation were asked to review activities looking at value for money relating not necessarily to income vs expenditure but to how effective projects are for outreach.

The upshot of this reflection is that the church café was closed with the manager post becoming redundant. However, the congregation have been able to set up and staff a low-key weekly Warm Welcome as part of the Government-promoted scheme alongside other churches in Uxbridge and it is envisaged that this will re-start in Autumn 2023 as a more permanent fixture in the church’s outreach calendar.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Church that unrestricted funds should be maintained at a level equivalent to between six and nine months' expenditure. The Church Council considers 'that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Church's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised'. The level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. The Church holds sufficient funds to enable it to cover current levels of expenditure and into the foreseeable future.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church is a registered charity, number 1139255, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness.

Plans for future periods

The Trustees continue to work hard to sustain Christ Church but struggle with capacity and succession planning. There have been four Trustees in post during this financial year, working with a co-opted member on Church Council as well as support from members and friends for occasions such as the anniversary celebrations. It is already known that one Trustee will step down at the next Annual Congregational Meeting with no-one else obvious to step into their place. As the church is currently without a minister to support its work, the Trustees are having to take capacity and burnout issues very seriously. The result of this is that there are fewer initiatives such as study groups running at the church but the Trustees are keen to encourage support of the activities put in place by other local churches and our partner denominations. This includes promoting Churches Together in Uxbridge activities and signposting resources for study and prayer from the Methodist and United Reformed Churches.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Approved on behalf of the Church Council:

Mrs Catherine Simpson

Date: 1 September 2024

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 August 2023.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 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.

Signed:

Dated: 1 September 2024

David Alesbury

Chartered Accountant

Feltons
Chartered Accountants
1 The Green
London
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	**20,240**	**120,375**	**140,615**	*120,372*
Charitable activities	5	**70,804**	**-**	**70,804**	*58,452*
Investments	6	**5,490**	**-**	**5,490**	*540*
Total income		**96,534**	**120,375**	**216,909**	*179,364*
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	7	**185,323**	**29,326**	**214,649**	*240,191*
Total expenditure		**185,323**	**29,326**	**214,649**	*240,191*
Net movement in funds		**(88,789)**	**91,049**	**2,260**	*(60,827)*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**326,315**	**145,889**	**472,204**	*533,031*
Net movement in funds		**(88,789)**	**91,049**	**2,260**	*(60,827)*
Total funds carried forward		**237,526**	**236,938**	**474,464**	*472,204*

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2023

	Note		2023 £		*2022* *£*
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	12		**172,977**		*170,728*
			172,977		*170,728*
Current assets					
Cash at bank and in hand		**330,595**		*327,751*	
		330,595		*327,751*	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	13	**(29,107)**		*(26,274)*	
Net current assets			**301,488**		*301,477*
Total assets less current liabilities			**474,465**		*472,205*
Net assets excluding pension asset			**474,465**		*472,205*
Total net assets			**474,465**		*472,205*
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	14		**236,938**		*145,889*
Unrestricted funds	14		**237,527**		*326,316*
Total funds			**474,465**		*472,205*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees on 01 September 2024 and signed on their behalf by:

Mrs Catherine Simpson

The notes on pages 11 to 23 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

1. General information

Christ Church, Uxbridge is registered as a charity number 1139255, set up in the United Kingdom and governed under the Charities Act 2011. The organisation is an unincorporated association, registered in England and Wales and in Scotland.

It is part of the Methodist Harrow and Hillingdon circuit and the United Reformed Church Thames North Synod.

The address of the church is Redford Way, Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ.

We acknowledge our outreach by using the term ‘Christ Church and Communicare’.

The title to the Church buildings is held by URC Thames North Trust whose address is St Paul’s URC, Newton Road, Bayswater, London W2 5LS.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with guidance issued by the Methodist Church.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The presentation currency is pounds sterling and figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

2.2 Going concern

The financial statements of the Charity are prepared on a going concern basis.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As a result, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. No material uncertainties exist.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Income

All voluntary giving is included in the financial statements for the period in which it is received.

Donations under Gift Aid plus the associated tax recovery are recognised as income when the donation is received.

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

2.4 Expenditure

The URC Ministry & Mission Fund contribution is paid regularly as is the Methodist Circuit contribution and are included in the financial statements.

Resources expended are recognised in the period to which they are incurred and include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. They are allocated to the particular activity to which they relate.

Governance costs represent direct expenditure on the governance of the church, including the production and independent scrutiny of these financial statements.

As most of the management and activity of the church is carried out by volunteers, this intangible cost is not included in the financial statements as this voluntary contribution to the life of the church is incalculable.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

2.5 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.6 Taxation

As part of the United Reformed Church, the church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

2.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.7 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)

Freehold property: The Trustees of the church and manse buildings are the URC Thames North Synod Trust and of the manse are Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit who hold them upon trust for purposes connected with Christ Church.

Equipment: Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Furniture	-	15%	Straight line
IT Equipment	-	33%	Straight line

2.8 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.9 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.10 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.11 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2.12 Fund accounting

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for use at the discretion of the church in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Donations	3,526	-	**3,526**	*1,733*
Grants	-	120,375	**120,375**	*101,667*
Offertory	16,714	-	**16,714**	*16,972*
	20,240	120,375	**140,615**	*120,372*
Total 2022	*18,705*	*101,667*	*120,372*	

4. Ministry & Mission Fund

The church contributes to the central URC costs of training and providing ministers (including the centralised payment of stipends, pension contributions and other benefits for ministers), running the denomination, and the wider mission of the national church. This annual budget amounts to some £21million, 82% of which relates to minister costs, and 91% is provided through the Ministry & Mission Fund contributions from churches.

5. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Car Parking	7,250	**7,250**	*5,043*
Church lettings	44,843	**44,843**	*33,549*
Wilmar Close rent	17,468	**17,468**	*16,399*
Church Cafe	1,243	**1,243**	*3,461*
	70,804	**70,804**	*58,452*
Total 2022	*58,452*	*58,452*	

6. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Bank Interest	5,490	**5,490**	*540*
Total 2022	*540*	*540*	

7. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	Restricted funds 2023 £	Total 2023 £	*Total 2022 £*
Church Activites - Administration	38,634	-	**38,634**	*65,963*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	590	-	**590**	*947*
Church Activites -Church costs	102,154	-	**102,154**	*96,108*
Church Activites -Other programmes	-	15,057	**15,057**	*15,362*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	36,251	-	**36,251**	*36,889*
Church Activities - Other Costs	5,537	-	**5,537**	*4,764*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	2,157	-	**2,157**	*1,018*
Church cafe	-	14,269	**14,269**	*17,189*
Harrow and Hillingdon Methodist Circuit	-	-	**-**	*1,951*
	185,323	29,326	**214,649**	*240,191*
Total 2022	*128,257*	*111,934*	*240,191*	

8. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2023 £	Support costs 2023 £	Total funds 2023 £	*Total funds 2022 £*
Church Activites - Administration	-	38,634	**38,634**	*65,963*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	590	-	**590**	*947*
Church Activites -Church costs	102,154	-	**102,154**	*96,108*
Church Activites -Other programmes	15,057	-	**15,057**	*15,362*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	36,251	-	**36,251**	*36,889*
Church Activities - Other Costs	3,343	2,194	**5,537**	*4,764*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	2,157	-	**2,157**	*1,018*
Church cafe	14,269	-	**14,269**	*17,189*
Harrow and Hillingdon Methodist Circuit	-	-	**-**	*1,950*
	173,821	40,828	**214,649**	*240,191*
Total 2022	*172,967*	*67,223*	*240,190*	

9. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	**2,940**	*2,040*

10. Staff costs

	2023 £	*2022* *£*
Wages and salaries	**95,674**	*121,111*
Social security costs	**3,040**	*4,576*
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**2,207**	*2,962*
	100,921	*128,649*

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2023 No.	*2022* *No.*
Direct charitable activities	**5**	*11*

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

11. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits *(2022 - £NIL)*.

During the year ended 31 August 2023, expenses totalling £737 were reimbursed or paid directly to 2 Trustees *(2022 - £1,637 to 5 Trustees)*. Expenses incurred were for travel, sustenance and administration purpose.

12. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 September 2022	**169,035**	**33,866**	**13,691**	**216,592**
Additions	**-**	**319**	**4,086**	**4,405**
At 31 August 2023	**169,035**	**34,185**	**17,777**	**220,997**
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2022	**-**	**33,335**	**12,529**	**45,864**
Charge for the year	**-**	**236**	**1,921**	**2,157**
At 31 August 2023	**-**	**33,571**	**14,450**	**48,021**
Net book value				
At 31 August 2023	**169,035**	**614**	**3,327**	**172,976**
At 31 August 2022	*169,035*	*531*	*1,162*	*170,728*

For the reasons stated in Accounting Policy 2.7, the church and manse buildings are not tangible fixed assets of the church. For insurance purposes the church buildings are insured by the church for £2,501,061 and Wilmar Close for £210,388. The church contents are insured for £350,340.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

13. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2023 £	*2022 £*
Other taxation and social security	**1,661**	*1,661*
Other creditors	**27,446**	*24,613*
	29,107	*26,274*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2023

14. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 August 2023 £
Unrestricted funds				
Church Fund	**198,456**	**-**	**-**	**198,456**
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	**127,860**	**96,534**	**(185,323)**	**39,071**
	326,316	**96,534**	**(185,323)**	**237,527**
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	**75,000**	**-**	**-**	**75,000**
Specific Fund	**70,889**	**120,375**	**(29,326)**	**161,938**
	145,889	**120,375**	**(29,326)**	**236,938**
Total of funds	**472,205**	**216,909**	**(214,649)**	**474,465**

14. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	*Income £*	*Expenditure £*	*Balance at 31 August 2022 £*
Designated funds				
Church Fund	*198,456*	*-*	*-*	*198,456*
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	*178,420*	*77,697*	*(128,257)*	*127,860*
	376,876	*77,697*	*(128,257)*	*326,316*
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	*75,000*	*-*	*-*	*75,000*
Specific Fund	*81,156*	*101,667*	*(111,934)*	*70,889*
	156,156	*101,667*	*(111,934)*	*145,889*
Total of funds	*533,032*	*179,364*	*(240,191)*	*472,205*

15. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2022 £	**Income £**	**Expenditure £**	**Balance at 31 August 2023 £**
Designated funds	**326,316**	**96,534**	**(185,323)**	**237,527**
Restricted funds	**145,889**	**120,375**	**(29,326)**	**236,938**
	472,205	**216,909**	**(214,649)**	**474,465**

15. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	*Income* £	*Expenditure* £	*Balance at 31 August 2022* £
Designated funds	*376,876*	*77,697*	*(128,257)*	*326,316*
Restricted funds	*156,156*	*101,667*	*(111,934)*	*145,889*
	533,032	*179,364*	*(240,191)*	*472,205*

16. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2023 £	**Restricted funds 2023** £	**Total funds 2023** £
Tangible fixed assets	172,976	-	**172,976**
Current assets	64,551	266,045	**330,596**
Creditors due within one year	-	(29,107)	**(29,107)**
Total	237,527	236,938	**474,465**

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	*Restricted funds 2022* £	*Total funds 2022* £
Tangible fixed assets	*170,728*	-	*170,728*
Current assets	*155,587*	*172,163*	*327,750*
Creditors due within one year	-	*(26,274)*	*(26,274)*
Total	*326,315*	*145,889*	*472,204*

17. Pension commitments

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amounted to £2,207 (2022 - £2,962). £Nil (2022 - £Nil) was payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and is included in creditors.

18. Related party transactions

The Charity has not entered into any related party transaction during the year, nor are there any outstanding balances owing between related parties and the Charity at 31 August 2023.

CHRIST CHURCH, UXBRIDGE

England & Wales - Charity number 1139255

Accounts

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CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Mrs Jean George, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2022) Mr Graham Hinton, Trustee (resigned 25 April 2022) Mr Peter King, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2022) Mrs Joanne Mackin, Trustee Mrs Louise George, Trustee Mrs Stephanie Marr, Trustee Mrs Catherine Simpson, Trustee
Charity registered number	1139255
Principal office	Christ Church Redford Way Uxbridge UB8 1SZ

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

The Church Council present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the United Reformed Church guidance, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and the provisions of the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

This report is signed by a designated trustee on behalf of all of them.

Structure, governance and management

The Church was established by the amalgamation of Uxbridge United Reformed Church and Uxbridge Methodist Church on 28 September 1972 and is governed by its constitution adopted on 8 August 2010. The Church's objectives are to advance its religious and charitable work. It is a registered charity number 1139255.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Mrs Jean George – served until Feb 2022, then co-opted onto Church Council
Mrs Louise George
Mr Graham Hinton – resigned 25 April 2022
Mr Peter King – served until Feb 2022
Mrs Joanne Mackin
Mrs Stephanie Marr
Mrs Catherine Simpson

The trustees normally meet six times in the year but ongoing business means that meetings have been held more often during this financial year.

The church is a joint Methodist and United Reformed Church.

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness. These trustees together with the Minister are known as the Church Council.

Trustees are required to have been a Church member for at least 12 months. During their term of office, training is through bible study, ongoing experience and exposure to denominational literature and meetings.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

In setting our activities and planning our activities, the church council has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

The purpose of Christ Church is to bring the love of God to the heart of Uxbridge by being a worshipping, caring community which accepts people as they are and helps them live life to the full.

We believe in an inclusive Church – a church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

By opening our building to the community, we hope to encourage people to appreciate our work and perhaps join us. In all activities we endeavour to demonstrate our aims and ethos.

Throughout the year lettings have increased from last year's levels, allowing us to serve our community. However, lettings have not reached pre-pandemic levels.

Our lunch time café has re-opened twice a week and we have also been able to run our Saturday Coffee Mornings. These have included those run by church members in aid of our nominated charity and also those run by charities and self-help groups associated with the church.

The church community raises money for a different charity each year and as part of our outreach we support Communicare Counselling Service. Donations have also been made to various appeals and various, mainly local, charities and DEC appeals.

All church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults hold enhanced DBS certificates and have received safeguarding training to at least Foundation level, with several being trained to an advanced level.

The Church is a part of Churches Together in Uxbridge and is a member of the Inclusive Church Movement.

b. Review of activities

The church buildings have been open as usual during 2021/22 but income is still down on pre-pandemic levels. Staffing levels have currently been maintained but other costs such as lighting and heating are lower due to reduced occupancy.

During the year, expenditure exceeded income by £60,827 and note has been taken of the depletion of reserves in planning future projects.

Wilmar Close was let at commercial rates during the whole year.

Trust income was in line with budget and we acknowledge our thanks to the trustees of the Uxbridge United Reformed Church Charity for their substantial contribution.

During the year we had no minister. Following the retirement of our Methodist minister our payments for Methodist Ministry were at a similar level to last year. Our payments to the United Reformed Church remained broadly similar to 2021/22.

We benefitted again from the remains of the legacy of the late Gladys Webb, with new gates and signage being installed at the outward facing entrance to the church car park. However, other signage and publicity work has had to be curtailed as we have been unable to access equipment in a timely manner.

It is encouraging to see that we are still able to support our Outreach aspirations with contributions to Communicare Counselling Service and others totalling around £19,000 in the year. Our fundraising for our nominated charities runs January-December and over £1,000 was donated to Hope not Hate at the end of 2021. Money is now being raised for Halo Children's Trust, supporting bereaved children in the local area.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Church that unrestricted funds should be maintained at a level equivalent to between six and nine months' expenditure. The Church Council considers 'that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Church's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised'. The level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. The Church holds sufficient funds to enable it to cover current levels of expenditure and into the foreseeable future.

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church is a registered charity, number 1139255, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness.

Plans for future periods

September 2022 sees the 50th anniversary of Christ Church and a weekend of events is being planned, with profits going to the church's nominated charity. Activities planned include a fete, an anniversary service, a quiz night, a Covenant service and a commemorative concert.

We have continued to hold services in our building at all times following regulations. They continue to be streamed via Facebook and uploaded to our website.

We are taking steps to raise our profile within the local community and to further our outreach activities. This includes working with other churches through Churches Together in Uxbridge.

Our minister retired at the end of August 2019 and we are working with the United Reformed Church to attract a replacement. The decision has been made to work with Ickenham URC so that we can appoint a minister who will work 0.5 FTE at each church. The financial implications will increase our financial burden but the Trustees plan to increase room usage by looking into different patterns of use and increasing the hiring fees from January 2023. Other means of supporting the ministry being explored include asking the Uxbridge United Reformed Church Charity for additional support in terms of the transfer of restricted funds for use to fund the expenses incurred over and above the payments made to the United Reformed Church and the Methodist Church.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

Approved on behalf of the Church Council:

Joanne Mackin

Mrs Joanne Mackin

Date: 22 June 2023

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 August 2022.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 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.

Signed:

Dated: 29 June 2023

David Alesbury

Chartered Accountant

Feltons
Chartered Accountants
1 The Green
London
TW9 1PL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	**18,705**	**101,667**	**120,372**	*183,966*
Charitable activities	5	**58,452**	**-**	**58,452**	*24,339*
Investments	6	**540**	**-**	**540**	*37*
Other income	7	**-**	**-**	**-**	*40,000*
Total income		**77,697**	**101,667**	**179,364**	*248,342*
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	**128,257**	**111,934**	**240,191**	*209,406*
Total expenditure		**128,257**	**111,934**	**240,191**	*209,406*
Net movement in funds		**(50,560)**	**(10,267)**	**(60,827)**	*38,936*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**376,875**	**156,156**	**533,031**	*494,095*
Net movement in funds		**(50,560)**	**(10,267)**	**(60,827)**	*38,936*
Total funds carried forward		**326,315**	**145,889**	**472,204**	*533,031*

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 11 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note		2022 £		*2021 £*
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		**170,728**		*169,798*
			170,728		*169,798*
Current assets					
Debtors	14	**-**		*5,612*	
Cash at bank and in hand		**327,750**		*379,589*	
		327,750		*385,201*	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	**(26,274)**		*(21,968)*	
Net current assets			**301,476**		*363,233*
Total assets less current liabilities			**472,204**		*533,031*
Total net assets			**472,204**		*533,031*
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	16		**145,889**		*156,156*
Unrestricted funds	16		**326,315**		*376,875*
Total funds			**472,204**		*533,031*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Joanne Mackin

Mrs Joanne Mackin

Date: 22 June 2023

The notes on pages 11 to 24 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

1. General information

Christ Church, Uxbridge is registered as a charity number 1139255, set up in the United Kingdom and governed under the Charities Act 2011. The organisation is an unincorporated association, registered in England and Wales and in Scotland.

It is part of the Methodist Harrow and Hillingdon circuit and the United Reformed Church Thames North Synod.

The address of the church is Redford Way, Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ.

We acknowledge our outreach by using the term 'Christ Church and Communicare'.

The title to the Church buildings is held by URC Thames North Trust whose address is St Paul's URC, Newton Road, Bayswater, London W2 5LS.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with guidance issued by the Methodist Church.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The presentation currency is pounds sterling and figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

2.2 Going concern

The financial statements of the Charity are prepared on a going concern basis.

The Covid-19 outbreak has caused severe disruption to charities internationally. The trustees have analysed and will carry out ongoing monitoring of the impact on the charity's financial position.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As a result, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. No material uncertainties exist.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Income

All voluntary giving is included in the financial statements for the period in which it is received.

Donations under Gift Aid plus the associated tax recovery are recognised as income when the donation is received.

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

Other income is recognised in the period in which it is receivable and to the extent the goods have been provided or on completion of the service.

2.4 Expenditure

The URC Ministry & Mission Fund contribution is paid regularly as is the Methodist Circuit contribution and are included in the financial statements.

Resources expended are recognised in the period to which they are incurred and include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. They are allocated to the particular activity to which they relate.

Governance costs represent direct expenditure on the governance of the church, including the production and independent scrutiny of these financial statements.

As most of the management and activity of the church is carried out by volunteers, this intangible cost is not included in the financial statements as this voluntary contribution to the life of the church is incalculable.

Expenditure on charitable activities is incurred on directly undertaking the activities which further the Charity's objectives, as well as any associated support costs.

2.5 Government grants

Government grants relating to Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme are credited to the Statement of financial activities as the related expenditure is incurred.

2.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.7 Taxation

As part of the United Reformed Church, the church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

Freehold property: The Trustees of the church and manse buildings are the URC Thames North Synod Trust and of the manse are Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit who hold them upon trust for purposes connected with Christ Church.

Equipment: Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Furniture	-	15% Straight line
IT Equipment	-	33% Straight line

2.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.11 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.12 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.13 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.14 Fund accounting

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for use at the discretion of the church in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Donations	1,733	-	**1,733**	*2,591*
Legacies	-	-	**-**	*300*
Grants	-	101,667	**101,667**	*110,000*
Furlough grants	-	-	**-**	*57,234*
Offertory	16,972	-	**16,972**	*13,841*
	18,705	101,667	**120,372**	*183,966*
Total 2021	*73,606*	*110,360*	*183,966*	

4. Ministry & Mission Fund

The church contributes to the central URC costs of training and providing ministers (including the centralised payment of stipends, pension contributions and other benefits for ministers), running the denomination, and the wider mission of the national church. This annual budget amounts to some £21million, 82% of which relates to minister costs, and 91% is provided through the Ministry & Mission Fund contributions from churches.

5. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Car Parking	5,043	**5,043**	*5,376*
Church organisations	-	**-**	*260*
Church lettings	33,549	**33,549**	*1,442*
Wilmar Close rent	16,399	**16,399**	*17,261*
Church Cafe	3,461	**3,461**	-
	58,452	**58,452**	*24,339*
Total 2021	*24,339*	*24,339*	

6. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Bank Interest	540	**540**	*37*
Total 2021	*37*	*37*	

7. Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Insurance claim	-	**-**	*40,000*
Total 2021	*40,000*	*40,000*	

8. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	Restricted funds 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Church Activites - Administration	34,849	31,114	**65,963**	*62,052*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	947	-	**947**	*478*
Church Activites -Church costs	47,510	48,598	**96,108**	*75,741*
Church Activites -Other programmes	362	15,000	**15,362**	*22,311*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	36,889	-	**36,889**	*31,712*
Church Activities - Other Costs	4,463	302	**4,765**	*3,181*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	1,018	-	**1,018**	*859*
Hillingdon mind	-	-	**-**	*(1,100)*
Church cafe	269	16,920	**17,189**	*14,172*
Harrow and Hillingdon Methodist Circuit	1,950	-	**1,950**	-
	128,257	111,934	**240,191**	*209,406*
Total 2021	*93,462*	*115,944*	*209,406*	

9. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2022 £	Support costs 2022 £	Total funds 2022 £	*Total funds 2021 £*
Church Activites - Administration	-	65,963	**65,963**	*62,052*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	947	-	**947**	*478*
Church Activites -Church costs	96,108	-	**96,108**	*75,741*
Church Activites -Other programmes	15,362	-	**15,362**	*22,311*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	36,889	-	**36,889**	*31,712*
Church Activities - Other Costs	3,504	1,260	**4,764**	*3,181*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	1,018	-	**1,018**	*859*
Hillingdon mind	-	-	**-**	*(1,100)*
Church cafe	17,189	-	**17,189**	*14,172*
Harrow and Hillingdon Methodist Circuit	1,950	-	**1,950**	-
	172,967	67,223	**240,191**	*209,406*
Total 2021	*147,354*	*62,052*	*209,406*	

10. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2022 £	*2021 £*
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	**2,040**	*1,356*

11. Staff costs

	2022 £	*2021* *£*
Wages and salaries	**121,111**	*112,694*
Social security costs	**4,576**	*3,828*
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**2,962**	*2,858*
	128,649	*119,380*

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2022 No.	*2021* *No.*
Direct charitable activities	**11**	*7*

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

12. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits *(2021 - £NIL)*.

During the year ended 31 August 2022, expenses totalling £1,637 were reimbursed or paid directly to 5 Trustees *(2021 - £639 to 5 Trustees)*. Expenses incurred were for travel, sustenance and administration purpose.

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 September 2021	**169,035**	**33,652**	**11,957**	**214,644**
Additions	**-**	**214**	**1,734**	**1,948**
At 31 August 2022	**169,035**	**33,866**	**13,691**	**216,592**
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2021	**-**	**32,889**	**11,957**	**44,846**
Charge for the year	**-**	**446**	**572**	**1,018**
At 31 August 2022	**-**	**33,335**	**12,529**	**45,864**
Net book value				
At 31 August 2022	**169,035**	**531**	**1,162**	**170,728**
At 31 August 2021	*169,035*	*763*	*-*	*169,798*

For the reasons stated in Accounting Policy 2.7, the church and manse buildings are not tangible fixed assets of the church. For insurance purposes the church buildings are insured by the church for £2,501,061 and Wilmar Close for £210,388. The church contents are insured for £350,340.

14. Debtors

	2022 £	*2021 £*
Due within one year		
Other debtors	**-**	*5,612*
	-	*5,612*

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2022 £	*2021* *£*
Other taxation and social security	**1,661**	*1,627*
Other creditors	**24,613**	*20,341*
	26,274	*21,968*

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

16. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 August 2022 £
Unrestricted funds				
Church Fund	198,455	-	-	198,455
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	178,420	77,697	(128,257)	127,860
	376,875	77,697	(128,257)	326,315
Restricted funds				
Building Fund	75,000	-	-	75,000
Specific Fund	81,156	101,667	(111,934)	70,889
	156,156	101,667	(111,934)	145,889
Total of funds	533,031	179,364	(240,191)	472,204

16. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	*Income* £	*Expenditure* £	*Transfers in/out* £	*Balance at 31 August 2021* £
Designated funds					
Church Fund	*168,107*	-	-	*30,348*	*198,455*
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	*178,420*	*137,982*	*(107,634)*	*(30,348)*	*178,420*
	346,527	*137,982*	*(107,634)*	-	*376,875*
Restricted funds					
Building Fund	*75,000*	-	-	-	*75,000*
Specific Fund	*72,568*	*110,360*	*(101,772)*	-	*81,156*
	147,568	*110,360*	*(101,772)*	-	*156,156*
Total of funds	*494,095*	*248,342*	*(209,406)*	-	*533,031*

17. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2021 £	**Income** £	**Expenditure** £	**Balance at 31 August 2022** £
Designated funds	**376,875**	**77,697**	**(128,257)**	**326,315**
Restricted funds	**156,156**	**101,667**	**(111,934)**	**145,889**
	533,031	**179,364**	**(240,191)**	**472,204**

17. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	*Income* £	*Expenditure* £	*Transfers in/out* £	*Balance at 31 August 2021* £
Designated funds	*346,527*	*137,982*	*(107,634)*	-	*376,875*
Restricted funds	*147,568*	*110,360*	*(101,772)*	-	*156,156*
	494,095	*248,342*	*(209,406)*	-	*533,031*

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2022 £	**Restricted funds 2022** £	**Total funds 2022** £
Tangible fixed assets	170,728	-	**170,728**
Current assets	155,587	172,163	**327,750**
Creditors due within one year	-	(26,274)	**(26,274)**
Total	326,315	145,889	**472,204**

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	*Restricted funds 2021* £	*Total funds 2021* £
Tangible fixed assets	*169,798*	-	*169,798*
Current assets	*207,077*	*178,124*	*385,201*
Creditors due within one year	-	*(21,968)*	*(21,968)*
Total	*376,875*	*156,156*	*533,031*

19. Pension commitments

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amounted to £2,962 (2021 - £2,858). £Nil (2021-£Nil) was payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and is included in creditors.

20. Related party transactions

The Charity has not entered into any related party transactions as at 31 August 2022.

CHRIST CHURCH, UXBRIDGE

England & Wales - Charity number 1139255

Accounts

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CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

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CHRIST CHURCH METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED CHURCH

REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS OF THE CHARITY, ITS TRUSTEES AND ADVISERS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Trustees	Mrs Valerie Bailey, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2021) Dr Joy Barrow, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2021) Mrs Jean George, Trustee Mr Graham Hinton, Trustee Mr Peter King, Trustee Mrs Joanne Mackin, Trustee Mr Brian Moere, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2021) Mrs Rosemary Moere, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2021) Miss Jennifer Peet, Trustee (resigned 28 February 2021) Mrs Louise George, Trustee (appointed 1 March 2021) Mrs Stephanie Marr, Trustee (appointed 1 March 2021) Mrs Catherine Simpson, Trustee (appointed 1 March 2021) Ms Jean Wilson Main, Trustee (appointed 1 March 2021, resigned 31 March 2021)
Charity registered number	1139255
Principal office	Christ Church Redford Way Uxbridge UB8 1SZ

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

The Church Council present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the United Reformed Church guidance, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and the provisions of the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

This report is signed by a designated trustee on behalf of all of them.

Structure, governance and management

The Church was established by the amalgamation of Uxbridge United Reformed Church and Uxbridge Methodist Church on 28 September 1972 and is governed by its constitution adopted on 8 August 2010. The Church's objectives are to advance its religious and charitable work. It is a registered charity number 1139255.

The trustees who served during the year were:

Mrs Valerie Bailey - resigned 28 February 2021
Dr Joy Barrow - resigned 28 February 2021
Mrs Jean George
Mrs Louise George - appointed 1 March 2021
Mr Graham Hinton
Mr Peter King
Mrs Joanne Mackin
Mrs Stephanie Marr - appointed 1 March 2021
Mr Brian Moere - resigned 28 February 2021
Mrs Rosemary Moere - resigned 28 February 2021
Miss Jennifer Peet - resigned 28 February 2021
Mrs Catherine Simpson - appointed 1 March 2021
Ms Jean Wilson Main - appointed 1 March 2021, resigned 31 March 2021

The trustees normally meet five times in the year. Due to the coronavirus they met nine times, all via zoom.

The church is a joint Methodist and United Reformed Church.

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness. These trustees together with the Minister are known as the Church Council.

Trustees are required to have been a Church member for at least 12 months. During their term of office, training is through bible study, ongoing experience and exposure to denominational literature and meetings.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Objectives and activities

a. Policies and objectives

In setting our activities and planning our activities, the church council normally meets five times a year, has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

The purpose of Christ Church is to bring the love of God to the heart of Uxbridge by being a worshipping, caring community which accepts people as they are and helps them live life to the full.

We believe in an inclusive Church – a church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ..

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Achievements and performance

a. Main achievements of the Charity

By opening our building to the community, we hope to encourage people to appreciate our work and perhaps join us. In all activities we endeavour to demonstrate our aims and ethos.

Throughout the year the pandemic has impacted on our work.

Our lunch time café has been unable to open and Saturday morning coffee has not been possible.

The church community raises money for a different charity each year and as part of our outreach we support Communicare Counselling Service. Donations have been made to various appeals and various, mainly local, charities.

All church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults hold enhanced DBS certificates. The majority of church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults have received additional safeguarding training.

The Church is a part of Churches Together in Uxbridge and is part of Inclusive Church.

Our Church was closed since March 23rd 2020 until restrictions were lifted. However, this spurred our members to live-stream services via facebook each Sunday at 11am. This is followed by a meeting via Zoom immediately after the service for a virtual 'coffee and chat'. Zoom is also used for a weekly Bible exploration group to 'meet'. In addition, a fortnightly virtual coffee meeting has been held. Our two office staff worked from home while the three caretakers and cleaner were furloughed for much of the time. Our two cafe staff were furloughed all the time

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Achievements and performance (continued)

b. Review of activities

With the closure of the building, apart from offertory, income from lettings and car parking donations are all down . With access to the building limited the amount we have spent on items such as maintenance has decreased.

During the year, income exceeded expenditure by £ 38,936 (2020 – excess income £14,497). This has been helped by furlough receipts of £57,842. We have claimed on our insurance policy for loss of income and received £40,000 in part settlement.

Wilmar Close was let at commercial rates during the whole year with maintenance costs slightly lower than last year.

Trust income was in line with budget and we acknowledge our thanks to the trustees of the Uxbridge United Reformed Church Charity for their substantial contribution.

During the year we had no minister. Following the retirement of our Methodist minister our payments for Methodist Ministry were at a similar level to last year. However, our payments to the URC increased by £16,400.

We benefitted from the employment allowance to decrease our national insurance costs. We replaced signage on the outside of the building using nearly £6,000 of the legacy from the late Gladys Webb.

It is encouraging to see that we are still able to support our Outreach aspirations with contributions to Communicare Counselling Service and others totalling over £23,000 in the year. Various events were held via zoom to raise funds for our chosen charities.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Financial review

a. Going concern

After making appropriate enquiries, the Trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. For this reason, they continue to adopt the going concern basis in preparing the financial statements. Further details regarding the adoption of the going concern basis can be found in the accounting policies.

b. Reserves policy

It is the policy of the Church that unrestricted funds should be maintained at a level equivalent to between six and nine months' expenditure. The Church Council considers 'that reserves at this level will ensure that, in the event of a significant drop in funding, they will be able to continue the Church's activities while consideration is given to ways in which additional funds may be raised'. The level of reserves has been maintained throughout the year. The Church holds sufficient funds to enable it to cover current levels of expenditure and into the foreseeable future.

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Structure, governance and management

a. Constitution

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church is a registered charity, number 1139255, and is constituted under a Trust deed.

b. Methods of appointment or election of Trustees

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness.

Plans for future periods

We have recommenced services in our building at all times following regulations. They continue to be streamed via facebook.

We are taking steps to raise our profile within the local community and to further our outreach activities. Partnering with some user organisations is being investigated.

Our minister retired at the end of August 2019 and we are working with the United Reformed Church to attract a replacement.

Statement of Trustees' responsibilities

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England & Wales requires the Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of its incoming resources and application of resources, including its income and expenditure, for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- observe the methods and principles of the Charities SORP (FRS 102);
- make judgments and accounting estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable UK Accounting Standards (FRS 102) have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;
- prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Charity's transactions and 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, the Charity (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. 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.

Approved on behalf of the Church Council:

CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Mr Peter King

Date: 20 February 2022

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church ('the Charity')

I report to the charity Trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Charity for the year ended 31 August 2021.

This report is made solely to the charity's Trustees, as a body, in accordance with Part 4 of the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the charity's Trustees those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the charity's Trustees as a body, for my work or for this report.

Responsibilities and Basis of Report

As the Trustees of the Charity you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the 2011 Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act.

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no 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 2011 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.

Signed:

Dated: 23 February 2022

David Alesbury

Chartered Accountant

Feltons
Chartered Accountants
1 The Green
London
TW9 1PL

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

	Note	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Income from:					
Donations and legacies	3	**73,606**	**110,360**	**183,966**	*152,843*
Charitable activities	5	**24,339**	**-**	**24,339**	*73,350*
Investments	6	**37**	**-**	**37**	*1,014*
Other income	7	**40,000**	**-**	**40,000**	*-*
Total income		**137,982**	**110,360**	**248,342**	*227,207*
Expenditure on:					
Charitable activities	8	**107,634**	**101,772**	**209,406**	*212,710*
Total expenditure		**107,634**	**101,772**	**209,406**	*212,710*
Net movement in funds		**30,348**	**8,588**	**38,936**	*14,497*
Reconciliation of funds:					
Total funds brought forward		**346,527**	**147,568**	**494,095**	*479,598*
Net movement in funds		**30,348**	**8,588**	**38,936**	*14,497*
Total funds carried forward		**376,875**	**156,156**	**533,031**	*494,095*

The Statement of Financial Activities includes all gains and losses recognised in the year.

The notes on pages 12 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

BALANCE SHEET
AS AT 31 AUGUST 2021

	Note		2021 £		2020 £
Fixed assets					
Tangible assets	13		**169,798**		*170,657*
			169,798		*170,657*
Current assets					
Debtors	14	**5,612**		*6,341*	
Cash at bank and in hand		**379,589**		*347,385*	
		385,201		*353,726*	
Creditors: amounts falling due within one year	15	**(21,968)**		*(30,288)*	
Net current assets			**363,233**		*323,438*
Total assets less current liabilities			**533,031**		*494,095*
Total net assets			**533,031**		*494,095*
Charity funds					
Restricted funds	16		**156,156**		*147,568*
Unrestricted funds	16		**376,875**		*346,527*
Total funds			**533,031**		*494,095*

The financial statements were approved and authorised for issue by the Trustees and signed on their behalf by:

Mr Peter King

Date: 20 February 2022

The notes on pages 12 to 25 form part of these financial statements.

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2021

1. General information

Christ Church, Uxbridge is registered as a charity number 1139255, set up in the United Kingdom and governed under the Charities Act 2011. The organisation is an unincorporated association, registered in England and Wales and in Scotland.

It is part of the Methodist Harrow and Hillingdon circuit and the United Reformed Church Thames North Synod.

The address of the church is Redford Way, Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ.

We acknowledge our outreach by using the term 'Christ Church and Communicare'.

The title to the Church buildings is held by URC Thames North Trust whose address is St Paul's URC, Newton Road, Bayswater, London W2 5LS.

2. Accounting policies

2.1 Basis of preparation of financial statements

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with guidance issued by the Methodist Church.

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) - Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2019), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

The financial statements have been prepared to give a 'true and fair' view and have departed from the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 only to the extent required to provide a 'true and fair' view. This departure has involved following the Charities SORP (FRS 102) published in October 2019 rather than the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice effective from 1 April 2005 which has since been withdrawn.

Christ Church Methodist & United Reformed Church meets the definition of a public benefit entity under FRS 102. Assets and liabilities are initially recognised at historical cost or transaction value unless otherwise stated in the relevant accounting policy.

The presentation currency is pounds sterling and figures are rounded to the nearest pound.

2.2 Going concern

The financial statements of the Charity are prepared on a going concern basis.

The Covid-19 outbreak has caused severe disruption to charities internationally. The trustees have analysed and will carry out ongoing monitoring of the impact on the charity's financial position.

The trustees have a reasonable expectation that the Charity has adequate resources to continue in operational existence for the foreseeable future. As a result, they continue to adopt the going concern basis of accounting in preparing the financial statements. No material uncertainties exist.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.3 Income

All voluntary giving is included in the financial statements for the period in which it is received.

Donations under Gift Aid plus the associated tax recovery are recognised as income when the donation is received.

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

2.4 Expenditure

The URC Ministry & Mission Fund contribution is paid regularly as is the Methodist Circuit contribution and are included in the financial statements.

Resources expended are recognised in the period to which they are incurred and include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. They are allocated to the particular activity to which they relate.

Governance costs represent direct expenditure on the governance of the church, including the production and independent scrutiny of these financial statements.

As most of the management and activity of the church is carried out by volunteers, this intangible cost is not included in the financial statements as this voluntary contribution to the life of the church is incalculable.

2.5 Government grants

Government grants relating to Coronavirus Job Retention Scheme are credited to the Statement of financial activities as the related expenditure is incurred.

2.6 Interest receivable

Interest on funds held on deposit is included when receivable and the amount can be measured reliably by the Charity; this is normally upon notification of the interest paid or payable by the institution with whom the funds are deposited.

2.7 Taxation

As part of the United Reformed Church, the church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

2.8 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation

Tangible fixed assets are initially recognised at cost. After recognition, under the cost model, tangible fixed assets are measured at cost less accumulated depreciation and any accumulated impairment losses. All costs incurred to bring a tangible fixed asset into its intended working condition should be included in the measurement of cost.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.8 Tangible fixed assets and depreciation (continued)

Freehold property: The Trustees of the church and manse buildings are the URC Thames North Synod Trust and of the manse are Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit who hold them upon trust for purposes connected with Christ Church.

Equipment: Depreciation is charged so as to allocate the cost of tangible fixed assets less their residual value over their estimated useful lives

Furniture	-	15%	Straight line
IT Equipment	-	33%	Straight line

2.9 Debtors

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due.

2.10 Cash at bank and in hand

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short-term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

2.11 Liabilities and provisions

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably.

Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the Charity anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2.12 Financial instruments

The Charity only has financial assets and financial liabilities of a kind that qualify as basic financial instruments. Basic financial instruments are initially recognised at transaction value and subsequently measured at their settlement value with the exception of bank loans which are subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

2.13 Pensions

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme and the pension charge represents the amounts payable by the Charity to the fund in respect of the year.

2. Accounting policies (continued)

2.14 Fund accounting

Designated funds comprise unrestricted funds that have been set aside by the Trustees for use at the discretion of the church in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are funds which are to be used in accordance with specific restrictions imposed by donors or which have been raised by the Charity for particular purposes. The costs of raising and administering such funds are charged against the specific fund. The aim and use of each restricted fund is set out in the notes to the financial statements.

Investment income, gains and losses are allocated to the appropriate fund.

3. Income from donations and legacies

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Donations	2,231	360	**2,591**	*9,325*
Legacies	300	-	**300**	*-*
Grants	-	110,000	**110,000**	*110,000*
Furlough grants	57,234	-	**57,234**	*20,513*
Offertory	13,841	-	**13,841**	*13,005*
	73,606	110,360	**183,966**	*152,843*
Total 2020	*41,421*	*111,422*	*152,843*	

4. Ministry & Mission Fund

The church contributes to the central URC costs of training and providing ministers (including the centralised payment of stipends, pension contributions and other benefits for ministers), running the denomination, and the wider mission of the national church. This annual budget amounts to some £21million, 82% of which relates to minister costs, and 91% is provided through the Ministry & Mission Fund contributions from churches.

5. Income from charitable activities

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Car Parking and donations	5,376	**5,376**	*5,659*
Church organisations	260	**260**	*415*
Church lettings	1,442	**1,442**	*50,676*
Wilmar Close rent	17,261	**17,261**	*16,600*
	24,339	**24,339**	*73,350*
Total 2020	*73,350*	*73,350*	

6. Investment income

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Bank Interest	37	**37**	*1,014*
Total 2020	*1,014*	*1,014*	

7. Other incoming resources

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Insurance claim	40,000	**40,000**	-

8. Analysis of expenditure on charitable activities

Summary by fund type

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	Restricted funds 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Church Activites - Communications	27,142	32,591	**59,733**	*58,443*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	478	-	**478**	*1,236*
Church Activites -Church costs	31,190	46,870	**78,060**	*90,663*
Church Activites -Other programmes	-	22,311	**22,311**	*23,768*
Church Activities - Charity 2019-Jairai Jiri	-	-	**-**	*1,400*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	31,712	-	**31,712**	*15,945*
Church Activities - Other Costs	3,181	-	**3,181**	*2,753*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	859	-	**859**	*2,013*
Hillingdon mind	(1,100)	-	**(1,100)**	-
Church cafe	14,172	-	**14,172**	*16,489*
	107,634	101,772	**209,406**	*212,710*
Total 2020	*97,837*	*114,873*	*212,710*	

9. Analysis of expenditure by activities

	Activities undertaken directly 2021 £	Support costs 2021 £	Total funds 2021 £	*Total funds 2020 £*
Church Activites - Communications	2,280	57,453	**59,733**	*58,443*
Church Activites -Teaching costs	478	-	**478**	*1,236*
Church Activites -Church costs	78,060	-	**78,060**	*90,663*
Church Activites -Other programmes	22,311	-	**22,311**	*23,768*
Church Activities - Charity 2019-Jairai Jiri	-	-	**-**	*1,400*
Ministerial Costs - URC Ministry and Methodist Ministry	31,712	-	**31,712**	*15,945*
Church Activities - Other Costs	3,181	-	**3,181**	*2,753*
Church Activities - Depreciation of furniture and equipment	859	-	**859**	*2,013*
Hillingdon mind	(1,100)	-	**(1,100)**	-
Church cafe	14,172	-	**14,172**	*16,489*
	151,953	57,453	**209,406**	*212,710*
Total 2020	*157,243*	*55,467*	*212,710*	

10. Independent examiner's remuneration

	2021 £	*2020 £*
Fees payable to the Charity's independent examiner for the independent examination of the Charity's annual accounts	**1,356**	*1,320*

11. Staff costs

	2021 £	*2020* *£*
Wages and salaries	**112,694**	*116,463*
Social security costs	**3,828**	*5,592*
Contribution to defined contribution pension schemes	**2,858**	*2,879*
	119,380	*124,934*

The average number of persons employed by the Charity during the year was as follows:

	2021 No.	*2020* *No.*
Direct charitable activities	**7**	*7*

No employee received remuneration amounting to more than £60,000 in either year.

12. Trustees' remuneration and expenses

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration or other benefits *(2020 - £NIL)*.

During the year ended 31 August 2021, expenses totalling £639 were reimbursed or paid directly to 5 Trustees *(2020 - £101 to 3 Trustees)*. Expenses incurred were for travel, sustenance and administration purpose.

13. Tangible fixed assets

	Freehold property £	Fixtures and fittings £	Office equipment £	Total £
Cost or valuation				
At 1 September 2020	169,035	33,652	11,957	214,644
At 31 August 2021	169,035	33,652	11,957	214,644
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2020	-	32,030	11,957	43,987
Charge for the year	-	859	-	859
At 31 August 2021	-	32,889	11,957	44,846
Net book value				
At 31 August 2021	169,035	763	-	169,798
At 31 August 2020	*169,035*	*1,622*	-	*170,657*

For the reasons stated in Accounting Policy 2.7, the church and manse buildings are not tangible fixed assets of the church. For insurance purposes the church buildings are insured by the church for £2,501,061 and Wilmar Close for £210,388. The church contents are insured for £350,340.

14. Debtors

	2021 £	*2020 £*
Due within one year		
Other debtors	5,612	*6,341*
	5,612	*6,341*

15. Creditors: Amounts falling due within one year

	2021 £	2020 £
Other taxation and social security	1,627	2,225
Other creditors	20,341	28,063
	21,968	30,288

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16. Statement of funds

Statement of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Transfers in/out £	Balance at 31 August 2021 £
Designated funds					
Church Fund	168,107	-	-	30,348	198,455
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	178,420	137,982	(107,634)	(30,348)	178,420
	346,527	137,982	(107,634)	-	376,875
Restricted funds					
Building Fund	75,000	-	-	-	75,000
Specific Fund	72,568	110,360	(101,772)	-	81,156
	147,568	110,360	(101,772)	-	156,156
Total of funds	494,095	248,342	(209,406)	-	533,031

16. Statement of funds (continued)

Statement of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2019 £	*Income* £	*Expenditure* £	*Transfers in/out* £	*Balance at 31 August 2020* £
Designated funds					
Church Fund	*168,107*	-	-	-	*168,107*
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	*160,472*	*115,785*	*(101,237)*	*3,400*	*178,420*
	328,579	*115,785*	*(101,237)*	*3,400*	*346,527*
Restricted funds					
Building Fund	*75,000*	-	-	-	*75,000*
Specific Fund	*76,019*	*111,422*	*(111,473)*	*(3,400)*	*72,568*
	151,019	*111,422*	*(111,473)*	*(3,400)*	*147,568*
Total of funds	*479,598*	*227,207*	*(212,710)*	-	*494,095*

17. Summary of funds

Summary of funds - current year

	Balance at 1 September 2020 £	**Income** £	**Expenditure** £	**Transfers in/out** £	**Balance at 31 August 2021** £
Designated funds	**346,527**	**137,982**	**(107,634)**	-	**376,875**
Restricted funds	**147,568**	**110,360**	**(101,772)**	-	**156,156**
	494,095	**248,342**	**(209,406)**	-	**533,031**

17. Summary of funds (continued)

Summary of funds - prior year

	Balance at 1 September 2019 £	*Income* £	*Expenditure* £	*Transfers in/out* £	*Balance at 31 August 2020* £
Designated funds	*328,579*	*115,785*	*(101,237)*	*3,400*	*346,527*
Restricted funds	*151,019*	*111,422*	*(111,473)*	*(3,400)*	*147,568*
	479,598	*227,207*	*(212,710)*	-	*494,095*

18. Analysis of net assets between funds

Analysis of net assets between funds - current year

	Unrestricted funds 2021 £	**Restricted funds 2021** £	**Total funds 2021** £
Tangible fixed assets	169,798	-	**169,798**
Current assets	207,077	178,124	**385,201**
Creditors due within one year	-	(21,968)	**(21,968)**
Total	376,875	156,156	**533,031**

Analysis of net assets between funds - prior year

	Unrestricted funds 2020 £	*Restricted funds 2020* £	*Total funds 2020* £
Tangible fixed assets	*170,657*	-	*170,657*
Current assets	*183,593*	*170,133*	*353,726*
Creditors due within one year	*(7,723)*	*(22,565)*	*(30,288)*
Total	*346,527*	*147,568*	*494,095*

19. Pension commitments

The Charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. The assets of the scheme are held separately from those of the group in an independently administered fund. The pension cost charge represents contributions payable by the charity to the fund and amounted to £2,858 (2020 - £2,879). £Nil (2020-£Nil) were payable to the fund at the balance sheet date and are included in creditors.

20. Related party transactions

The Charity has not entered into any related party transactions as at 31 August 2021.

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CHURCH COUNCIL MEMBERS' REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

The Church Council present their report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020.

The accounts have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies set out in note 1 to the accounts and comply with the United Reformed Church guidance, the Charities Act 2011 and Accounting and the provisions of the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) (effective 1 January 2015) – (Charities SORP (FRS 102)).

This report is signed by a designated trustee on behalf of all of them.

Structure, governance and management

The Church was established by the amalgamation of Uxbridge United Reformed Church and Uxbridge Methodist Church on 28 September 1972 and is governed by its constitution adopted on 8 August 2010. The Church's objectives are to advance its religious and charitable work. It is a registered charity number 1139255.

The trustees who served during the year were:
Mrs Valerie Bailey
Dr Joy Barrow
Mrs Jean George
Mr Graham Hinton - appointed 23 February 2020
Mr Peter King
Mrs Joanne Mackin - appointed 23 February 2020
Mrs Patience Mandozana - resigned 23 February 2020
Mr Brian Moere
Mrs Rosemary Moere
Ms Patience Parker - resigned 23 February 2020
Miss Jennifer Peet
Mr Rudolph Wontumi - resigned 23 February 2020

The trustees normally meet five times in the year. Due to the coronavirus they met six times, three via zoom.
The church is a joint Methodist and United Reformed Church.

Church members elect trustees from among their members at the annual general meeting of the Church to perform such functions as the membership requires assisting the Church in fulfilling its life, work and witness. These trustees together with the Minister are known as the Church Council.

Trustees are required to have been a Church member for at least 12 months. During their term of office, training is through bible study, ongoing experience and exposure to denominational literature and meetings.

Reference and administrative details

Christ Church, Uxbridge is registered as a charity number 1139255.

It is part of the Methodist Harrow and Hillingdon circuit and the United Reformed Church Thames North Synod.

The address of the church is Redford Way, Belmont Road, Uxbridge, UB8 1SZ.

We acknowledge our outreach by using the term 'Christ Church and Communicare'.

The title to the Church buildings is held by URC Thames North Trust whose address is St Paul's URC, Newton Road, Bayswater, London W2 5LS.

Objectives and activities

In setting our activities and planning our activities, the church council normally meets five times a year, has given careful consideration to the Charity Commission general guidance on public benefit, and, in particular, to its supplementary public benefit guidance on advancing our objectives and conforms to the Charities Act 2011.

The purpose of Christ Church is to bring the love of God to the heart of Uxbridge by being a worshipping, caring community which accepts people as they are and helps them live life to the full.

We believe in an inclusive Church – a church which does not discriminate, on any level, on grounds of economic power, gender, mental health, physical ability, race or sexuality. We believe in a Church which welcomes and serves all people in the name of Jesus Christ; which is scripturally faithful; which seeks to proclaim the Gospel afresh for each generation; and which, in the power of the Holy Spirit, allows all people to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Jesus Christ.

Achievements and performance

By opening our building to the community, we hope to encourage people to appreciate our work and perhaps join us. In all activities we endeavour to demonstrate our aims and ethos.
During the year the Church continued to further the work of God in the community.

In 2016 we opened a lunch time cafe on Tuesdays and Thursdays. This had been run by volunteers from both within and outside the church. Under the guidance of a paid cafe manager this has proved very popular and attracts clients from outside our church.

The church community raises money for a different charity each year and as part of our outreach we support the Communicare Counselling Service. Donations have been made to various appeals and various, mainly local, charities.

All church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults hold enhanced DBS certificates. The majority of church council and all leaders who are involved with children or vulnerable adults have received additional safeguarding training.
The Church is a part of Churches Together in Uxbridge and is part of Inclusive Church.
Our Church has been closed since March 23rd and this has spurred our members to live-stream services via Facebook each Sunday at 11am. This is followed by a meeting via Zoom immediately after the service for a virtual 'coffee and chat'. Zoom is also used for a weekly Bible exploration group to 'meet'. In addition, a fortnightly virtual coffee meeting has been held. Our two office staff worked from home while the three caretakers and cleaner were furloughed for much of the time. Our two cafe staff were furloughed all the time.

Plans for the future

We are preparing to recommence services in our building. It is hoped that these services will be streamed via Facebook.

We are taking steps to raise our profile within the local community and to further our outreach activities. Partnering with some user organisations is being investigated.

Our minister retired at the end of August and we are working with the United Reformed Church to attract a replacement.

Trustees Responsibility Statement

The Trustees are responsible for preparing the Trustees' Report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and United Kingdom Accounting Standards (United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice).

The law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the charity Trustees to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Charity and of the incoming resources and application of resources, of the charity for that period. In preparing these financial statements, the Trustees are required to:

Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;

Observe the methods and principles in the applicable Charities SORP;

Make judgements and accounting estimates that are responsible and prudent;

State whether applicable Accounting Standards have been followed, subject to any material departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements;

Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

The Trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and to enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011, the applicable Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 and the provisions of the Trust deed. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

The Trustees are responsible for the maintenance and integrity of the charity and financial information included on the charity's website. Legislation in the United Kingdom governing the preparation and dissemination of financial statements may differ from legislation in other jurisdictions.

On behalf of the Church Council

Peter King
Church Council Member and Acting Secretary

Dated:

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
INCOMING RESOURCES					
Incoming resources from generated funds:					
Voluntary income	2	20,908	1,422	22,330	27,692
Legacies		0		0	23,036
Activities for generating funds	3	93,863	0	93,863	108,213
Investment income	4	1,014	0	1,014	1,225
		115,785	1,422	117,207	160,166
Incoming resources from charitable activity	5	0	110,000	110,000	110,000
Total incoming resources		**115,785**	**111,422**	**227,207**	**270,166**
RESOURCES EXPENDED					
Charitable activities:					
URC Ministry & Mission Fund	7	7,500	0	7,500	7,500
Methodist Ministry & Mission Fund	7	8,445	0	8,445	32,619
Costs of church activities	8, 9	85,292	111,473	196,765	209,558
Total resources expended		**101,237**	**111,473**	**212,710**	**249,677**
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources before transfers		14,548	(51)	14,497	20,489
Gross transfers between funds		3,400	(3,400)	0	0
Net incoming/(outgoing) resources		17,948	(3,451)	14,497	20,489
Gains/(losses) on investment assets		0	0	0	0
Net movement in funds		**17,948**	**(3,451)**	**14,497**	**20,489**
Total funds b/fwd 1 September 2019		**328,579**	**151,019**	**479,598**	**459,109**
Total funds c/fwd 31 August 2020		**346,527**	**147,568**	**494,095**	**479,598**

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements

BALANCE SHEET
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
FIXED ASSETS					
Tangible assets	10	170,657	**0**	170,657	171,834
		170,657	0	170,657	171,834
CURRENT ASSETS					
Debtors	11	6,341	0	6,341	2,057
Bank and cash balances		347,385	0	347,385	346,266
		353,726	0	353,726	348,323
CURRENT LIABILITIES					
Creditors payable within one year	12	7,723	22,565	30,288	40,559
NET CURRENT ASSETS		346,003	(22,565)	323,438	307,764
TOTAL NET ASSETS		516,660	(22,565)	494,095	479,598
THE FUNDS OF THE CHARITY					
	13	346,527	147,568	494,095	479,598
		346,527	147,568	494,095	479,598

APPROVED by the Church Meeting held on 6 December 2020
and signed on its behalf by;

Mr Peter King

The notes on pages 7 to 13 form part of these financial statements

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1 ACCOUNTING POLICIES

1a Basis of Accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with guidance issued by the Methodist Church. The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS102) - (Charities SORP (FRS 102), the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) and the Charities Act 2011.

1b Fund Accounting

Unrestricted funds are available for use at the discretion of the church in furtherance of its charitable objectives.

Restricted funds are subjected to restrictions on their expenditure imposed by the donor, or contained in the terms of a grant.

Endowment funds are restricted funds which either cannot be spent (permanent endowment) or where there is no actual requirement to spend or apply the capital unless, or until, the trustees decide to spend it (expendable endowment).

1c Tangible Fixed Assets

Freehold property: The Trustees of the church and manse buildings are the URC Thames North Synod Trust and of the manse are Harrow & Hillingdon Methodist Circuit who hold them upon trust for purposes connected with Christ Church.
Expenditure incurred on the church and manse is written off in the year it is incurred.

Equipment: Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates calculated to write off assets over their estimated useful lives:

Furniture	10% - 20% straight line
IT Equipment	33.33% straight line

1d Incoming Resources

All voluntary giving is included in the financial statements for the period in which it is received.

Donations under Gift Aid plus the associated tax recovery are recognised as income when the donation is received.

Legacies are accounted for when their receipt is certain and can be properly quantified.

All other income is generally recognised when it is receivable.

1e Resources Expended

The URC Ministry & Mission Fund contribution is paid regularly as is the Methodist Circuit contribution and are included in the financial statements.

Resources expended are recognised in the period to which they are incurred and include attributable VAT which cannot be recovered. They are allocated to the particular activity to which they relate.

Governance costs represent direct expenditure on the governance of the church, including the production and independent scrutiny of these financial statements.

As most of the management and activity of the church is carried out by volunteers, this intangible cost is not included in the financial statements as this voluntary contribution to the life of the church is incalculable.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

1 **ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)**

1f **Taxation**

As part of the United Reformed Church, the church is an excepted charity within the meaning of the Taxes Acts. Accordingly it is potentially exempt from taxation in respect of income and capital gains received to the extent that such income or gains are applied to exclusively charitable purposes. No provision for taxation has been made in these financial statements.

1g **Debtors**

Trade and other debtors are recognised at the settlement amount after any trade discount offered. Prepayments are valued at the amount prepaid net of any trade discounts due

1h **Cash at bank and in hand**

Cash at bank and in hand includes cash and short term highly liquid investments with a short maturity of three months or less from the date of acquisition or opening of the deposit or similar account.

1i **Liabilities and provisions**

Liabilities are recognised when there is an obligation at the Balance sheet date as a result of a past event, it is probable that a transfer of economic benefit will be required in settlement, and the amount of the settlement can be estimated reliably. Liabilities are recognised at the amount that the company anticipates it will pay to settle the debt or the amount it has received as advanced payments for the goods or services it must provide.

2 **VOLUNTARY INCOME**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Tithes and offerings (£250 per week; 2019 £327)	13,005	-	13,005	16,993
Income tax refunds under Gift Aid	4,141	-	4,141	3,788
Legacies	-	-	-	23,036
Jamaica Diabetic Centre	-	360	360	360
Church Cafe	3,762	-	3,762	4,761
Charity 2018	-	-	-	701
Charity 2019	-	881	881	519
Charity 2020	-	108	108	-
All We Can Do	-	73	73	-
Kerala Crisis Appeal	-	-	-	167
Indonesian Appeal	-	-	-	300
Cyclone IDAI Appeal	-	-	-	103
	20,908	**1,422**	**22,330**	**50,728**
Total 2019	**48,578**	**2,150**		**50,728**

3 **ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS**

Church lettings	50,676	-	50,676	78,018
Car Parking & donations	5,659	-	5,659	13,225
Church Organisations	415	-	415	500
Wilmar Close rent	16,600	-	16,600	16,470
Furlough receipts	20,513	-	20,513	-
	93,863	**-**	**93,863**	**108,213**
Total 2019	**108,213**			**108,213**

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

4 INVESTMENT INCOME

Bank interest	1,014	-	1,014	1,225
	1,014	**-**	**1,014**	**1,225**
Total 2019	**1,225**			**1,225**

5 INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITY

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Income from UURCC Trust	-	110,000	110,000	110,000
	-	**110,000**	**110,000**	**110,000**
Total 2019		**110,000**		**110,000**

6 MINISTRY & MISSION FUND

The church contributes to the central URC costs of training and providing ministers (including the centralised payment of stipends, pension contributions and other benefits for ministers), running the denomination, and the wider mission of the national church. This annual budget amounts to some £21million, 82% of which relates to minister costs, and 91% is provided through the Ministry & Mission Fund contributions from churches.

7 MINISTERIAL COSTS

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
URC Ministry	7,500	-	7,500	7,500
Methodist Ministry	8,445	-	8,445	32,619
	15,945	**-**	**15,945**	**40,119**
Total 2019	**40,119**			**40,119**

8 COSTS OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Church costs:				
Insurance	2,661	-	2,661	2,542
Water rates	799	-	799	959
Buildings maintenance	44	9,000	9,044	25,568
Caretaker and Cleaners	15,419	33,873	49,292	48,740
Cleaning materials	1,086	1,000	2,086	2,811
Organist & organ/piano maintenance	1,971	-	1,971	3,259
Lighting & Heating	4,293	9,000	13,293	12,595
Wilmar Close maintenance	411	2,700	3,111	3,799
Signage	3,400	-	3,400	-
	30,084	**55,573**	**85,657**	**100,273**
Teaching costs:				
Pulpit supply	252	-	252	316
Children & young people	770	-	770	936
Training	214	-	214	1,734
	1,236	**-**	**1,236**	**2,986**
Communications:				
Administrator & Secretarial	29,918	29,232	59,150	57,328
Printing, postage and stationery	956	1,000	1,956	2,588
Telephones	520	500	1,020	1,020
	31,394	**30,732**	**62,126**	**60,936**

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

8 COSTS OF CHURCH ACTIVITIES (continued)

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Other programmes:				
Outreach	-	8,585	8,585	10,782
Communicare Counselling Service	-	15,110	15,110	15,000
All We Can Do	-	73	73	-
Charity 2019-Jairai Jiri	-	1,400	1,400	-
Little Hearts Matter (charity 2018)	-	-	-	1,000
Kerala Crisis Appeal	-	-	-	167
Indonesian Appeal	-	-	-	300
Cyclone IDAI Appeal	-	-	-	103
Church Cafe	16,540	-	16,540	9,690
	16,540	**25,168**	**41,708**	**37,042**
Other expenses	2,705	-	2,705	4,213
Depreciation of furniture and equipment	2,013	-	2,013	2,812
	4,718	**-**	**4,718**	**7,025**
TOTAL	**83,972**	**111,473**	**195,445**	**208,262**
Total 2019	**96,692**	**111,570**		**208,262**

During the year, no Trustees received any remuneration (2019 - £nil)
During the year, no Trustees received any benefits in kind (2019 - £nil)
During the year, 3 Trustees received reimbursement of expenses for travel, sustenance and general administrative expenses totalling £101 (2019 - £311)

9 GOVERNANCE COSTS

Independent Examiner	1,320	-	1,320	1,296
	1,320	**-**	**1,320**	**1,296**
Total 2019	**1,296**	**-**		**1,296**

10 TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Contents Building £	Furniture £	Equipment £	Total 2020 £
Cost or Valuation				
At 1 September 2019	169,035	32,816	11,957	213,808
Additions	-	836	-	836
At 31 August 2020	**169,035**	**33,652**	**11,957**	**214,644**
Depreciation				
At 1 September 2019		30,017	11,957	41,974
Charge for the year	-	2,013	0	2,013
At 31 August 2020	-	**32,030**	**11,957**	**43,987**
Net Book Value				
At 31 August 2020	**169,035**	**1,622**	**-**	**170,657**
At 31 August 2019	169,035	2,799	-	171,834

For the reasons stated in Accounting Policy note 1c, the church and manse buildings are not tangible fixed assets of the church. For insurance purposes the church buildings are insured by the church for £2,501,061 and Wilmar Close for £210,338. The church contents are insured by the church for £350,340.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

11 **DEBTORS**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Harrow&Hillingdon Methodist Circuit	1,950	-	1,950	1,950
Gift Aid envelopes 2021	121	-	121	107
Furlough payment August	4,270	-	4,270	-
	6,341	**-**	**6,341**	**2,057**

12 **CURRENT LIABILITIES**

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Creditors payable within one year:				
Tuesday Club Loan	320	-	320	220
Inland Revenue for PAYE/NIC	2,225	-	2,225	893
Outreach	-	12,565	12,565	14,565
Accountancy	1,500	-	1,500	1,500
Key deposit	20	-	20	20
UURCC Trust	-	10,000	10,000	10,000
Student Loan	74	-	74	39
Maintenance	895	-	895	12,205
Wilmar Close Maintenance	528	-	528	-
Power, Light & Heat	1,061	-	1,061	1,116
Income received in advance	1,100	-	1,100	-
	7,723	**22,565**	**30,288**	**40,558**

13 **DESIGNATED FUNDS & RESTRICTED FUNDS**

The church operates 4 Designated Funds and Restricted funds with the encouragement of Church Meeting:

	Designated Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL 2020 £	TOTAL 2019 £
Church Fund	168,107	-	168,107	168,107
Building Fund	-	75,000	75,000	75,000
Specific Fund	-	75,968	75,968	76,019
Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry	178,420	-	178,420	160,472
	346,527	**150,968**	**497,495**	**479,598**

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

14 **The movements on the Designated Funds during the year were:**

Fund for the Development and Extension of Ministry

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	TOTAL £
Balance b/fwd 1 September 2019	160,472	-	160,472
Surplus for the year - unrestricted	17,948	-	17,948
Surplus for the year - restricted	-	-	-
Balance c/fwd 31 August 2020	**178,420**	**-**	**178,420**

Specific Fund	**£**
Balance b/fwd 1 September 2019	76,019
Transfer legacy/donation to specific funds	-
Plus Restricted fund surplus	
Church Charity 2019	881
Church Charity 2020	108
Jamaica diabetic Centre	360
	77,368
Less Restricted fund payments	
Charity 2019 - Jairos Jiri	1,400
Signs	3,400
Balance c/fwd 31 August 2020	**72,568**

Statement of Funds - Prior Year

	Balance at 1 Sept 2018 £	Income £	Expenditure £	Balance at 31 Aug 2019 £
Unrestricted Funds				
General Funds	331,706	158,016	138,107	351,615
	331,706	**158,016**	**138,107**	**351,615**
Restricted Funds				
Building Fund	75,000			75,000
Specific Fund	52,403	112,150	111,570	52,983
	127,403	**112,150**	**111,570**	**127,983**
Total of Funds	**459,109**	**270,166**	**249,677**	**479,598**

15 **RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

There were no related party transactions in the year.

NOTES TO THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES - continued
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16 STAFF COSTS

Staff costs were as follows:

	2020	2019
	£	£
Wages and Salaries	116,463	108,307
Social security	5,592	5,055
Other pension costs	2,879	2,318
	124,934	**115,680**

The average number of persons employed by the charity during the year was as follows:

	2020	2019
Direct charitable activities	7	6
	7	**6**

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TREASURER'S STATEMENT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

I have prepared the financial statements on pages 5 to 13 for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Brian Moere Date: 5 December 2020

INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

I report on the financial statements of Christ Church, Uxbridge for the year ended 31 August 2020, which are set out on pages 5 to 13.

This report is made solely to the Church Council, as a body, in accordance with section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 and regulations made under section 154 of that Act. My work has been undertaken so that I might state to the Church Council those matters I am required to state to them in an Independent examiner's report and for no other purpose. To the fullest extent permitted by law, I do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the charity and the Church Council as a body, for my work or for this report.

The financial statement have been prepared in accordance with Accounting and Reporting by Charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standards applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) in preference to the Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice issued on 1 April 2005 which is referred to in the extant regulations but has been withdrawn.

This has been done in order for the accounts to provide a true and fair view in accordance with the Generally Accepted Accounting Practice effective for reporting periods beginning on or after 1 January 2015.

Respective responsibilities of the Church Council and Examiner

The Church Council are responsible for the preparation of the financial statements. The Church Council consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the Act) and that an independent examination is needed. I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of the ICAEW.

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the financial statements under section 145 of the 2011 Act;

- follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act; and

- state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 financial statements presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the financial statements, and seeking explanations from you as Church Council concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the financial statements present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT (CONTINUED)
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

Independent Examiner's statement

In connection with 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 130 of the 2011 Act; and

- to prepare financial statements which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 2011 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 financial statements to be reached.

Signed:
David Alesbury FCA Feltons
1 The Green Richmond Surrey
TW9 1PL

Date: 17 December 2020