

SOUTH PETHERTON AND CREWKERNE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales · Charity number 1139503

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Other

Registered 2010-12-23

Register [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

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Activities

Objects: THE PURPOSES OF THE METHODIST CHURCH ARE AND SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN SINCE THE DATE OF UNION THE ADVANCEMENT OF -(A) THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE DOCTRINAL STANDARDS AND THE DISCIPLINE OF THE METHODIST CHURCH;(B) ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE TIME BEING OF ANY CONNEXIONAL, DISTRICT, CIRCUIT, LOCAL OR OTHER ORGANISATION OF THE METHODIST CHURCH;(C) ANY CHARITABLE PURPOSE FOR THE TIME BEING OF ANY SOCIETY OR INSTITUTION SUBSIDIARY OR ANCILLARY TO THE METHODIST CHURCH;(D) ANY PURPOSE FOR THE TIME BEING OF ANY CHARITY BEING A CHARITY SUBSIDIARY OR ANCILLARY TO THE METHODIST CHURCH

Activities: This Charity is responsible for overseeing the maintenance and upkeep of 8 Methodist Churches and 2 Church Manses This covers the area of Crewkerne, South Petherton and Chard. It must also ensure that funds are available for the stipends for 2 Ministers and a varying number supernumary ministers. It also provides support for various Methodist Charities.

Classification

- **How:** Provides Buildings/facilities/open Space, Provides Advocacy/advice/information
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, The General Public/mankind

Geography

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

Finances

| Period end | Income | Expenditure | Assets | Employees |
|------------|----------|-------------|--------|-----------|
| 2025-08-31 | £489,930 | £215,017 | - | - |
| 2024-08-31 | £82,182 | £146,277 | - | - |
| 2023-08-31 | £99,983 | £115,847 | - | - |
| 2022-08-31 | £94,261 | £125,948 | - | - |
| 2021-08-31 | £89,634 | £81,188 | - | - |
| 2020-08-31 | £105,639 | £114,811 | - | - |

Trustees

| Name | Role | Appointed |
|----------------------------|------|------------|
| ANNA MARY FIELD | | |
| Christine Hilary AShford | | 2025-03-25 |
| Christine Weymouth | | 2017-07-05 |
| Diane Colthorpe | | 2020-09-01 |
| EDWIN WILLIAM GUTTRIDGE | | |
| ELIZABETH BEATTIE | | 2018-02-28 |
| Edwin WELLER | | 2014-06-10 |
| Elizabeth Clare Longshaw | | 2025-03-25 |
| JENNIFER GUTTRIDGE | | |
| Ken BANKS | | 2017-11-29 |
| Michelle Cleal | | 2025-09-01 |
| Norman Galloway | | 2025-03-25 |
| RICHARD JOHN ARNOLD | | |
| Rev Andrew Philip LOngshaw | | 2023-09-01 |
| Rodney Edwards | | 2025-09-01 |
| SUSAN ELIZABETH PARSONS | | |
| Sara Coulson | | 2025-03-25 |
| VERNON MAURICE WHITE | | |
| Valerie THOMAS | | 2014-06-10 |
| WENDY ANN GREEN | | 2014-06-10 |

SOUTH PETHERTON AND CREWKERNE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1139503

Accounts

Trustee's Annual Report for the period 01/09/24 – 31/08/25

South Petherton and Crewkerne Circuit

Objectives and Activities: The purposes of the Methodist Church are the advancement of:

The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of The Methodist Church as laid out in the "Constitution, Practice and Discipline" of the Methodist Church.

Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit local church or other organisation of The Methodist Church.

Any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church.

Any Purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to The Methodist Church.

The Mission Statement of our Circuit is:

To be a vibrant community of Christian believers; living out the call of discipleship and mission, through our Christian beliefs, love, respect for all and pastoral care. We exist to worship God, as revealed in Jesus Christ, through His Life, teaching, death, and resurrection. In our Circuit of Methodist churches, we want to encourage growth through evangelism, fellowship and service in and around the towns and villages located in this area.

Our Circuit Priorities are:

God-centered worship and prayer

Action to help where and when needed.

Developing eco-friendly and accessible churches, with well-maintained property

Encouraging fresh expressions of being church

Care, respect, inclusion and love for all

A deep belief that we have a future and a relevance.

This Circuit has an umbrella body of 5 Methodist churches and continues to serve the 2 villages (South Petherton and Combe St Nicholas) where our churches have recently ceased to worship. The Circuit produces a quarterly preaching plan to ensure regular acts of worship take place at each church. They are open to all, without charge.

Achievement and Performance

The Trustees have taken note of the Charity Commission guidance on public benefit, and in particular their guidance on charities for the advancement of religion, when planning their activities. The actions of The Circuit therefore meet the requirement for there to be an identifiable public benefit, or benefits, and that benefit is to the public, or a section of the public.

During the 2024/2025 financial year the Circuit has used accessible funds for the following:

Our presbyteral minister, (this Circuit can only afford 1 minister) together with Local Preachers and Worship Leaders provide regular Sunday worship in our 5 churches and in local residential and care homes, when requested. Such services are publicly advertised, open to all, and every effort is made to provide accessible, welcoming and meaningful worship.

The Circuit encourages its churches to regularly review their position in the community they serve and envision new and contextual ways of engaging people. Each church provides a report to the Circuit of their work, mission, and outreach throughout the year. The Circuit provides a Trustee to sit on each Church Council and be available to report the work undertaken by the Circuit. It is a two-way process as we assess the requirements and viability of both Circuit and churches.

The Circuit has provided courses for those individuals requiring Safeguarding training and ensures that DBS checks are completed for those in posts that require them. The Safeguarding policy of the Circuit and the churches is regularly reviewed in line with the Policy produced by the Connexional Team of The Methodist Church. It covers both children and vulnerable adults.

The Circuit also accesses GDPR and Inclusion, Equality and Diversity training for those individuals needing it.

The Circuit continues to support churches in their work with children and young people.

There is a regular review process carried out by the Circuit Leadership Team (CLT) to ensure that the charity is fulfilling its objectives.

The CLT oversee the day to day running of charity and regularly report to the full meeting of the Trustees. Professional advice is sought when necessary.

The Circuit continues to prioritise the commitment to Our Calling and a Methodist Way of Life as it encourages its members to grow in discipleship and share the love of God in line with our mission statement.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

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| South Petherton and Crewkerne | 18/37 |
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2025

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| South West Peninsula | District | Circuit no | 18/37 |
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

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Ministers:

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| Rev Andrew Longshaw |
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Circuit Stewards:

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| Ken Banks |
| Elizabeth Beattie |
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Treasurer:

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| Rev Peter Thomas |
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| SECTION A | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year | |
|-----------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| a1 | RECEIPTS | Note | £ | £ | £ | £ | |
| a2 | Assessment/Share | | 66,468 | | 66,468 | 67,916 | |
| a3 | Capital receipts | | | 396,659 | 396,659 | | |
| a4 | Bank and CFB interest and Investment income | | 231 | 6,563 | 136 | 6,372 | |
| a5 | Lettings | | 18,292 | | 18,292 | | |
| a6 | Other receipts | | 1,582 | | 1,582 | 7,894 | |
| a7 | TOTAL RECEIPTS | | 86,572 | 403,222 | 136 | 489,930 (a8) | 82,182 |

| SECTION B | | | | | | | |
|-----------|---|--|---------------|----------------|----------|---------------------|----------------|
| b1 | PAYMENTS | | | | | | |
| b2 | Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs | | 43,735 | | | 43,735 | 59,927 |
| b3 | Manse Costs | | 11,892 | | | 11,892 | 60,851 |
| b4 | Administration etc | | 60 | 262 | 9 | 332 | 1,641 |
| b5 | District Assessment | | 16,570 | 2,017 | | 18,587 | 9,997 |
| b6 | Grants & donations | | | | | | |
| b7 | CPF levy | | | 110,664 | | 110,664 | 6,506 |
| b8 | Other payments | | 6,865 | 22,943 | | 29,808 | 7,355 |
| b9 | TOTAL PAYMENTS | | 79,122 | 135,886 | 9 | 215,017 (b9) | 146,277 |

| SECTION C | | | | | | | |
|-----------|--|----------------|---------------|----------------|--------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| c1 | NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR | (a7-b9) | 7,451 | 267,336 | 127 | 274,913 | (64,095) |
| c2 | Total funds brought forward from last year | | 25,071 | 80,696 | 2,904 | 108,671 (c6) | 172,766 |
| c3 | Sub total | (c1+c2) | 32,521 | 348,032 | 3,031 | 383,584 | 108,671 |
| c4 | Transfers and adjustments | | 127 | | (127) | (c7) | |
| c5 | TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR | (c3+c4) | 32,648 | 348,032 | 2,904 | 383,584 (c8) | 108,671 (c6) |

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

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING

SECTION E Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

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

| INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS | Receipts | Payments | Net Receipts/ Payments | Adjustments | Opening balances | Closing balances |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| e1 | | | | | | |
| e2 | | | | | | |
| e3 | | | | | | |
| e4 | | | | | | |
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| e6 | | | | | | |
| e7 | | | | | | |
| e8 | Sub total of Internal Organisations funds | | | | (e11) | (e12) |
| e9 | Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column) | 489,930 (a8) | 215,017 (b9) | 274,913 | 108,671 (c6) | 383,584 (c8) |
| e10 | TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT | 489,930 | 215,017 | 274,913 | 108,671 (x) | 383,584 (y) |
| | | TOTAL RECEIPTS | TOTAL PAYMENTS | | | |

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

| CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2025 | | OPENING BALANCES | CLOSING BALANCES |
|---|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| f1 | Cash in hand | | |
| f2 | Bank Current Account | 22,866 | 18,935 |
| f3 | Bank Deposit Account | | |
| f4 | Central Finance Board | 2,204 | 13,712 |
| f5 | Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes | 83,601 | 350,936 |
| f6 | Other funds | | |
| f7 | SUB TOTAL | 108,671 (c6) | 383,584 (c8) |
| f8 | Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12) | (e11) | (e12) |
| f9 | TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT | 108,671 (x) | 383,584 (y) |

SECTION G
OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

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

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board
 f5 Include only CFB Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
 g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trust accounts this is inserted in line f5)

Declarations and Scrutiny

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

Signature of treasurer *Peter J Thomas* Date /10/25

Name and address of treasurer
Peter J Thomas
..... Post Code.... TA1 2TA

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on December 10th 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *Andrew Longshaw*

Name of the Chair of the meeting Andrew Longshaw Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

South Petherton and Crewkerne Circuit

Charity Number 1139503

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the
Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2025 set out on pages ... to As the Circuit's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

* delete or circle as appropriate

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signature of independent examiner

Name of independent examiner David Hawkings

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner C Math

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 5 Hither Acre, ILMINSTER

..... Post Code TA19 9DA

Date 09/10/25

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Incorporated in SFA return

SOUTH PETHERTON AND CREWKERNE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1139503

Accounts

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STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

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| South Petherton & Crewkerne | Circuit |
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2024

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| Plymouth & Exeter | District | Circuit no | 24/18 |
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

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

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Ministers:

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| Rev Andrew Longshaw |
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Circuit Stewards:

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| Ken Banks |
| Chris McCullum |
| Elizabeth Beattie |
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Treasurer:

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| (acting) Rev. Peter Thomas |
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| SECTION A | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| a1 | RECEIPTS | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| a2 | Assessment/Share | 67,916 | | | 67,916 | 94,158 |
| a3 | Capital receipts | | | | | |
| a4 | Bank and CFB interest and Investment income | 233 | 5,193 | 945 | 6,372 | 4,936 |
| a5 | Grants | | | | | 466 |
| a6 | Other receipts | 7,894 | | | 7,894 | 423 |
| a7 | TOTAL RECEIPTS | 76,043 | 5,193 | 945 | 82,182 (a8) | 99,983 |

| SECTION B | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------------------|------------------|
| b1 | PAYMENTS | | | | | |
| b2 | Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs | 59,927 | | | 59,927 | 77,937 |
| b3 | Manse Costs | 60,851 | | | 60,851 | 9,911 |
| b4 | Administration etc | 1,227 | 349 | 65 | 1,641 | 2,872 |
| b5 | District Assessment | 6,373 | 3,624 | | 9,997 | 24,522 |
| b6 | Grants & donations | | | | | 210 |
| b7 | South Petherton | 6,506 | | | 6,506 | |
| b8 | Other payments | 7,355 | | | 7,355 | 395 |
| b9 | TOTAL PAYMENTS | 142,239 | 3,973 | 65 | 146,277 (b9) | 115,847 |

| SECTION C | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-------------------------|--------------------------|------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| c1 | NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR | (66,196) (a7-b9) | 1,221 | 880 | (64,095) | (15,863) |
| c2 | Total funds brought forward from last year | 27,386 | 122,476 | 22,904 | 172,766 (c6) | 188,630 |
| c3 | Sub total | (38,810) (c1+c2) | 123,696 | 23,785 | 108,671 | 172,766 |
| c4 | Transfers and adjustments | 63,880 | (43,000) | (20,880) | (c7) | |
| c5 | TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR | 25,071 (c3+c4) | 80,696 | 2,904 | 108,671 (c8) | 172,766 (c6) |

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

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| INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS | Receipts | Payments | Net Receipts/ Payments | Adjustments | Opening balances | Closing balances |
|------------------------|---|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| e1 | | | | | | |
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| e6 | | | | | | |
| e7 | | | | | | |
| e8 | Sub total of Internal Organisations funds | | | | (e11) | (e12) |
| e9 | Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column) | 82,182 (a8) | 146,277 (b9) | (64,095) | 172,766 (c6) | 108,671 (c8) |
| e10 | TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT | 82,182 | 146,277 | (64,095) | 172,766 (x) | 108,671 (y) |
| | | TOTAL RECEIPTS | TOTAL PAYMENTS | | | |

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SECTION F
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024

| | OPENING BALANCES | CLOSING BALANCES |
|----|---------------------|---------------------|
| f1 | | |
| f2 | 12,531 | 22,866 |
| f3 | | |
| f4 | 14,855 | 2,204 |
| f5 | 145,380 | 83,601 |
| f6 | | |
| f7 | 172,766 (c6) | 108,671 (c8) |
| f8 | (e11) | (e12) |
| f9 | 172,766 (x) | 108,671 (y) |

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

| | At 1 September 2023 | At 31 August 2024 |
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| g1 | | |
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| g4 | | |
| g5 | | |

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board
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 g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trust accounts this is inserted in line f5)

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of treasurer *Peter J Thomas* Date 15/10/24

Name and address of treasurer 8 Irwell Green, TAUNTON,

..... Post Code TA1 2TA

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were presented to the Circuit meeting held on 16th October 2024

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *Andrew Longshaw*

Name of the Chair of the meeting RevAndrew Longshaw Date 16th October 2024

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

South Petherton & Crewkerne Circuit

Charity Number 1139503

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the South Petherton and Crewkerne Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages 1 to 5. As the Circuit's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

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Signature of independent examiner *D Hawkings*

Name of independent examiner David Hawkings

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner C Math

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 5 Hither Avenue, ILMINSTER

..... Post Code TA19 9DA

Date 14/10/24

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It is noted that 3 instalments of the District Assessment (total value £19,119) were not paid during the year.

This debt will carry forward to the 2024-25 year.

D Hawkings

SOUTH PETHERTON AND CREWKERNE METHODIST CIRCUIT

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Accounts

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Ministers:

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| Rev. Anna Flindell |
| Rev. Andrew Longshaw |
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Circuit Stewards:

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| Ken banks |
| Lizzie Longshaw |
| Elizabeth Beattie |
| Chris McCullum |
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Treasurer:

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| Sylvia Hopkins |
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| SECTION A | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| a1 | RECEIPTS | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| a2 | Assessment/Share | 94,158 | | | 94,158 | 92,743 |
| a3 | Capital receipts | | | | 0 | |
| a4 | Bank and CFB interest and Investment income | 386 | 3,824 | 727 | 4,936 | 804 |
| a5 | Grants (Wessex Water refund) | 466 | | | 466 | |
| a6 | Other receipts | 423 | | | 423 | 714 |
| a7 | TOTAL RECEIPTS | 95,432 | 3,824 | 727 | 99,983(a8) | 94,261 |

| SECTION B | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| b1 | PAYMENTS | | | | | |
| b2 | Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs | 77,937 | | | 77,937 | 80,074 |
| b3 | Manse Costs | 9,911 | | | 9,911 | 17,726 |
| b4 | Administration etc | 2,457 | 350 | 65# | 2,872 | 3,346 |
| b5 | District Assessment | 20,890 | 3,632 | # | 24,522 | 24,074 |
| b6 | Grants & donations | 210 | | # | 210 | |
| b7 | | | | # | 0 | 466 |
| b8 | Other payments | 395 | | # | 395 | 262 |
| b9 | TOTAL PAYMENTS | 111,800 | 3,981 | 65 | 115,847(b9) | 125,948 |

| SECTION C | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year | |
|-----------|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| c1 | NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR | (a7-b9) | (16,368) | (157) | 661 | (15,863) | (31,687) |
| c2 | Total funds brought forward from last year | 43,093 | 122,633 | 22,904 | 188,630(c6) | 220,317 | |
| c3 | Sub total | (c1+c2) | 26,725 | 122,476 | 23,566 | 172,766 | 188,630 |
| c4 | Transfers and adjustments | 661 | | (661) | 0(c7) | | |
| c5 | TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR | (c3+c4) | 27,386 | 122,476 | 22,904 | 172,766(c8) | 188,630(c6) |

| SECTION D | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| d | FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (these amounts should not be included in total receipts/payments above) | | | | | |
| d1 | Balance brought forward from last year | | | | | |
| d2 | Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations | | | | | |
| d3 | Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations | | | | | |
| d4 | BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3) | | | | 0 | 0 |

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING**SECTION E** Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Circuit accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Circuit Meeting. Note that the funds of an Internal Organisation would normally be Restricted funds unless it could be clearly shown that they could be used for any Methodist purpose. This section must be completed to arrive at the gross receipts and payments totals of the Circuit. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold of £250,000, then the Accruals method of accounting AND A DIFFERENT FORM must be used to report the accounts (see Methodist website). Please refer to the guidance notes regarding transfers between the Circuit and connected Circuit Organisations.

| INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS | Receipts | Payments | Net Receipts/ Payments | Adjustments | Opening balances | Closing balances |
|------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| e1 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e2 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e3 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e4 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e5 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e6 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e7 | | | 0 | | | 0 |
| e8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 (e11) | 0 (e12) |
| e9 | 99,983 (a8) | 115,847 (b9) | (15,863) | 0 (c7) | 188,630 (c6) | 172,766 (c8) |
| e10 | 99,983 | 115,847 | (15,863) | 0 | 188,630 (x) | 172,766 (y) |
| | TOTAL RECEIPTS | TOTAL PAYMENTS | | | | |

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

| CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2023 | | OPENING BALANCES | CLOSING BALANCES |
|---|---|---------------------|---------------------|
| f1 | Cash in hand | | |
| f2 | Bank Current Account | 9,529 | 12,531 |
| f3 | Bank Deposit Account | | |
| f4 | Central Finance Board | 33,564 | 14,855 |
| f5 | Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes | 145,537 | 145,380 |
| f6 | Other funds | | |
| f7 | SUB TOTAL | 188,630 (c6) | 172,766 (c8) |
| f8 | Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12) | 0 (e11) | 0 (e12) |
| f9 | TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT | 188,630 (x) | 172,766 (y) |

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

| | At 1 September 2022 | At 31 August 2023 |
|----|---|----------------------|
| g1 | Investments (include Endowments) | |
| g2 | Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value) | 545,964 |
| g3 | Other Assets | |
| g4 | Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end | |
| g5 | Other Liabilities | |

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

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

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

Name of Circuit No.....

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of treasurer Date.....

Name and address of treasurer

..... Post Code.....

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

..... Circuit

Charity Number

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages ... to As the Circuit's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

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

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Circuit No

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signature of independent examiner

Name of independent examiner

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address

..... Post Code

Date

* delete or circle as appropriate

SOUTH PETHERTON AND CREWKERNE METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1139503

Accounts

South Petherton and Crewkerne Methodist Circuit

Annual Report from Trustees to year end August 2021

The South Petherton and Crewkerne Methodist Circuit comprises eight churches and is located in South Somerset with one chapel just over the county border in Dorset. The Circuit covers Chard, Crewkerne, Combe St Nicholas, South Petherton, Kingsbury Episcopi, Ilminster, Broadway Hill and Netherhay.

The congregations worshipping in the above named churches varies across the Circuit but each congregation meets for worship in their own chapel every Sunday. The Superintendent of the Circuit arranges the preaching plan which tells both congregation members and the public when services are to be held in each church and who has been allocated to lead that worship service. A Circuit website advertises both services and other events taking place in all eight buildings.

Each church conducts the main part of its business through Church Council meetings held regularly and representatives from each church attend the Circuit meetings held quarterly. The Circuit meeting is responsible for collecting reports from all the churches and it is the Circuit meeting which explores and develops Circuit policy. In addition Circuit meetings are responsible for the review and implementation of staffing, finance, mission and training. Minutes of these meetings are kept on record.

The Circuit Leadership Team oversees the day to day running of the Circuit and is made up of the Circuit ministers and lay representatives from a number of the churches. These meetings occur every four weeks. On occasions some decisions will be devolved to the CLT by the Circuit meeting as per the constitution of the Methodist Church.

The Circuits link with the wider Methodist Church through the Plymouth and Exeter Methodist District and to the Methodist conference. The present superintendent is a member of the National Methodist Conference being elected by the synod to be a member of Conference. While each local church has its own Church Council the Circuit Meeting also supports work in each local church. Volunteers give their time in the annual production of local financial and building schedules which are brought to the Circuit meeting. The Circuit meeting produce an annual report and accounts. This year getting the accounts completed has been more challenging as our Circuit Treasurer passed away very suddenly in January 2022 and the Circuit Leadership Team has therefore been the Circuit Treasurer for a few months whilst a replacement Treasurer was found.

All churches in the Circuit work with their local communities and neighbouring churches from other denominations to support mission and ministry where it is needed in the local context. A number of our Circuit churches are involved in local ecumenical groups helping to support holiday clubs for young people, chaplaincy to local care homes and food banks. Six out of the eight Circuit churches are registered for marriages and all churches undertake both baptisms and funerals.

The Circuit churches provide valuable community buildings and are not used for worship alone. Various groups use our meeting spaces and halls, and all of our churches provide activities during the week for their local communities including coffee mornings and community lunches, women's fellowship groups, Bible studies and men's breakfasts. Our buildings include two busy church-based pre-schools which are OFSTED registered and in Ilminster, despite not having a church building, Methodist volunteers run a thriving mother and toddler group. Circuit ministers provide local care home services regularly and take part in local school assemblies across the Circuit.

All this work is managed by the local Church trustees and is supported by the Circuit meeting. It is the Circuit meeting which provides oversight of safeguarding for both children and vulnerable adults through its lay safeguarding officers and the Circuit safeguarding officer. All safeguarding training is provided through the Plymouth and Exeter Methodist District and is governed by the Methodist Church at Connexional level.

The circuit meeting encourage the local churches in affirming the historic nature of faith which is lived out today in the Methodist tradition in the context of the communities of the 21st century. The chapels are community spaces and the policy of the Circuit is to develop their use in current as well as in new ways.

The Circuit affirms the living Christian faith shown in all of the Methodist churches within the Circuit and continues to encourage the work locally with all of the 8 Methodist churches, and their surrounding communities, which are part of the South Petherton and Crewkerne Methodist Circuit.

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

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| South Petherton & Crewkerne | Circuit |
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2021

| | | | |
|-------------------|----------|------------|-------|
| Plymouth & Exeter | District | Circuit no | 24/18 |
|-------------------|----------|------------|-------|

Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

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|---------|
| 1139503 |
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If not a registered charity Her Majesty's Revenue and Customs Gift Aid number

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

Ministers:

| |
|--------------------|
| Rev. Anna Flindall |
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| |

Circuit Stewards:

| |
|------------------|
| Ken Banks |
| Pat Farr |
| Jacquie Wheatley |
| Vernon White |
| |
| |

Treasurer:

| |
|------------------|
| Jacquie Wheatley |
|------------------|

| SECTION A | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| a1 | RECEIPTS | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| a2 | Assessment/Share | 87,081 | | | 87,081 | 102,404 |
| a3 | Capital receipts (Manse & O.S.) | | 411,640 | | 411,640 | |
| a4 | Bank and CFB interest and Investment income | 68 | 806 | 77 | 951 | 2,093 |
| a5 | Grants | | | | | |
| a6 | Other receipts | 2,485 | | | 2,485 | 1,142 |
| a7 | TOTAL RECEIPTS | 89,634 | 412,446 | 77 | 502,157 (a8) | 105,639 |

| SECTION B | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| b1 | PAYMENTS | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| b2 | Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs | 46,093 | | | 46,093 | 73,339 |
| b3 | Manse Costs | 6,869 | | | 6,869 | 6,206 |
| b4 | Administration etc | 1,344 | 369 | 46 | 1,759 | 1,873 |
| b5 | District Assessment | 21,386 | 39,810 | | 61,196 | 28,211 |
| b6 | Grants & donations | 5,233 | 16,785 | | 22,018 | 2,232 |
| b7 | O.S. expts/ New manse | 179 | 407,962 | | 408,141 | 2,568 |
| b8 | Other payments | 84 | | | 84 | 382 |
| b9 | TOTAL PAYMENTS | 81,188 | 464,926 | 46 | 546,160 (b9) | 114,811 |

| SECTION C | | Un - restricted Funds | Circuit Model Trust Fund | Restricted Funds | Totals this year | Totals last year |
|-----------|--|-----------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| c1 | NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR | £ | £ | £ | £ | £ |
| c1 | (a7-b9) | 8,446 | (52,480) | 31 | (44,003) | (9,172) |
| c2 | Total funds brought forward from last year | 57,046 | 184,370 | 22,904 | 264,320 (c6) | 273,492 |
| c3 | Sub total | 65,492 (c1+c2) | 131,890 | 22,935 | 220,317 | 264,320 |
| c4 | Transfers and adjustments | 28 | | (28) | | (c7) |
| c5 | TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR | 65,520 (c3+c4) | 131,890 | 22,907 | 220,317 (c8) | 264,320 (c6) |

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

SUMMARY OF CIRCUIT ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATION REPORTING TO THE CIRCUIT MEETING

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| INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS | Receipts | Payments | Net Receipts/ Payments | Adjustments | Opening balances | Closing balances |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| e1 | | | | | | |
| e2 | | | | | | |
| e3 | | | | | | |
| e4 | | | | | | |
| e5 | | | | | | |
| e6 | | | | | | |
| e7 | | | | | | |
| e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds | | | | | (e11) | (e12) |
| e9 Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column) | 502,157 (a8) | 546,160 (b9) | (44,003) | (c7) | 264,320 (c6) | 220,317 (c8) |
| e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT | 502,157 | 546,160 | (44,003) | | 264,320 (x) | 220,317 (y) |
| | TOTAL RECEIPTS | TOTAL PAYMENTS | | | | |

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2021

| | OPENING BALANCES | CLOSING BALANCES |
|--|---------------------|---------------------|
| f1 Cash in hand | | |
| f2 Bank Current Account | 1,615 | 5,881 |
| f3 Bank Deposit Account | | |
| f4 Central Finance Board | 55,431 | 59,639 |
| f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes | 207,274 | 154,797 |
| f6 Other funds | | |
| f7 SUB TOTAL | 264,320 (c6) | 220,317 (c8) |
| f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12) | (e11) | (e12) |
| f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT | 264,320 (x) | 220,317 (y) |

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

| | At 1 September 2020 | At 31 August 2021 |
|--|------------------------|----------------------|
| g1 Investments (include Endowments) | | |
| g2 Land and Buildings (see notes re Insurance value) | 594,100 | 545,964 |
| g3 Other Assets | | |
| g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end | | |
| g5 Other Liabilities | | |

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

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

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

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 have been prepared from the records of the Circuit and that they include all funds under the control of the Circuit meeting.

Signature of treasurer A. L. Findell (^{Superintendent Minister}~~Previous Treasurer deceased~~) Date 22/05/22.....

Name and address of treasurer A. L. FINDELL, 16 Barbery Drive,
Chard, Somerset..... Post Code TA20 1HR..

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on 16/05/22.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting Date

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

SOUTH PETHERTON & CREWKERNE Circuit

Charity Number 1139503

Responsibilities and basis of report

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

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

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Circuit SOUTH PETHERTON + CREWKERNE No 2418

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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

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

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

Signature of independent examiner D. Hawkins

Name of independent examiner DAVID HAWKINGS

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner C. MATHS

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 5 HITHER ACRE

1 L MINSTER Post Code TA19 9DA

Date 25/1/22

* delete or circle as appropriate

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Name of Circuit SOUTH PETHERTON + CREWKERNE No 24/18

Independent Examiner's Statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (~~other than that disclosed below*~~) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

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- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records.

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

Signature of independent examiner D. Hawking

Name of independent examiner DAVID HAWKINGS

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner C. MATHS

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 5 HITHER ACRE

ILMINSTER Post Code TA19 9DA

Date 25/1/22

* delete or circle as appropriate

Sep-21