

# TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH

England & Wales - Charity number 1140314

## Details

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**Status** Registered

**Legal form** Previously excepted

**Registered** 2011-02-09

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

## Contact

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## Activities

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**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. In achieving its purpose, the Charity will engage in a range of activities, either on its own or with others, including (but not restricted to): a) the celebration of public worship; b) the teaching of the Christian faith; c) mission and evangelism; d) pastoral work, including visiting the sick and the bereaved; e) the provision of facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, including (but not restricted to) the elderly, the young and other groups with special needs; and f) the support of other charities in the UK and overseas.

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## Classification

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

## Geography

- **Area of benefit:** UNDEFINED. IN PRACTICE, LOCAL.
- East Riding Of Yorkshire

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-08-31	£222,702	£113,017	-	-
2023-08-31	£139,083	£126,090	-	-
2022-08-31	£107,160	£111,447	-	-
2021-08-31	£94,091	£90,654	-	-
2020-08-31	£96,861	£136,909	-	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev FRAN Rhys	Chair	2021-09-01
Andrea Jayne Page		2024-10-29
Carolyn Nursey		2017-01-29
Colin George Hogg		2019-02-28
David John Powell		2021-09-01
Karen Smith		2024-10-29
Nigel Peter Dykes		2022-01-01
Wendy Margaret Camilla Pearse		2021-09-01

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# Accounts

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## **Toll Gavel United Church Trustees Annual Report 2024**

### **Aim and Purpose**

The Trustees of Toll Gavel United Church are responsible for the whole mission of the church, pastoral, spiritual, evangelical and ecumenical. They are responsible for the maintenance of the church premises.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The church's purpose is to advance the Christian faith in Beverley and the local area in accordance with the principles and practices of the Methodist and United Reformed Churches. To achieve this, the church has engaged in a range of activities, either on its own or with others, including:

- The celebration of public worship
- The teaching of the Christian faith
- Mission and Evangelism
- Pastoral work including visiting, the sick, bereaved, housebound and those in residential or nursing care
- Provision of facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, including the elderly and the young
- The support of other charities working in the UK and oversea

To facilitate much of this work it is vital to maintain the fabric of the building. This is becoming an increasingly difficult challenge because the premises are old, there is a reduction in self-help. For two years we have been exploring the possibility of big changes to our premises, so we are holding off on any extensive repairs and keeping our focus on basic maintenance issues.

### **Achievements and Performance**

Rev Fran Rhys has completed her third year as our minister which included a three month sabbatical from the beginning of April until the start of July. We have continued to provide Sunday morning worship using a range of ministers and local preachers. Average attendance is between 40 and 50. We also provide monthly afternoon and evening services on a Sunday with a more informal atmosphere. These have increased in popularity and attract people on the fringe of the church community. We livestream the morning service and this is watched by an average of 20 viewers. This allows people who are unwell or cannot attend the service to watch it live or at a time which is more convenient for them.

In September 2023 we participated in the National Heritage celebrations. This year we displayed a collection of wedding dresses and memorabilia. This is now an established feature on our calendar and is well supported,

We continue to provide a Lunch Club once a fortnight on a Tuesday which is flourishing. A hot meal is provided for 40 people plus the staff. Another group operate a Community Lunch Club every Wednesday. The homeless, the lonely and the destitute are encouraged to use this facility. Our coffee facility at the front of the church continues to operate 3 mornings a week. We have managed to sustain our regular Saturday Coffee Morning in the hall with the church running two per month and the remainder taken up by other groups.

Other bookings from groups wanting to use the premises on a regular basis has gradually increased and our income from them is now close to pre covid levels. Our income has been boosted by several large donations and legacies. These have helped to increase our income and financial stability we have not experienced for a long time.

The Beverley branch of Barclay's Bank closed in March and they looked around the town to find a suitable space to operate an advisory service. They approached our church trustees and after some consultation with the appropriate authorities we agreed a contract to house them in a ground floor accessible room on a six month renewable contract. This offer has proved beneficial for the bank as well as providing a service to the local community.

The Faith, Space and Place group has continued its work. They are exploring options for redeveloping our premises to make them more energy efficient and less expensive to operate. We have received a third version of the plans for redeveloping the church from the architects. We have also received grant funding to employ a person to help raise funds for this project. He is busy consulting stakeholder and engaging in a wide community consultation which will help to collect evidence and support that our town centre church has a viable and worthwhile future.

During this year we have lost 10 members through death. Our current membership stands at .... We continue to publish a monthly bulletin which is sent out by e mail or by hand. This contains information and dates of planned events. We started a monthly church newsletter in January which was directed at informing the wider community about our church's work and publicising regular events and also one-off events. This is produced in a booklet form with colour used throughout and given out to community users of our premises.

We have now experienced a full year of belonging to the new administrative arrangement for our group of churches, called the Beverley Mission Area. We now have an Operations Manager who can give us support and help when needed on administrative issues.

### **Pastoral work.**

The church members are divided into 15 pastoral groups who look after 133 members and 37 adherents. We have two retired ministers. Sadly 11 of our church members and friends have died this year. We were delighted to receive 2 new members through transfer. Our pastoral visitors team do an excellent supporting and caring for people with their needs.

Christine Milburn is employed as a lay worker among the elderly and helps to run the church Lunch Club as well as a social group called Leisure Day. Both these groups cater for elderly people from the wider community, most of whom live on their own.

We employ someone to run the Messy Monday group and also a Children and Families' worker. These are both part time posts. The Messy Monday group is well supported, and the 2 workers combine to organise special events and holiday clubs. We continue with several uniformed groups with very committed leaders.

### **Mission**

We participated in Christian Aid Week and distributed envelopes for donations and with another event we organised we raised £411. We organised a collection for an appeal to support the work of Embrace, a charity working to support communities in a wide area of the Middle East. This collection was prompted by the outbreak of war in the area. We collected £604 for the World Mission Fund.

We participated in a course principally run by Christian Aid called 'Act on Poverty.' This shared information through interviews and videos of people and groups with firsthand experience of poverty both in the UK and overseas. We also learned about groups who were supporting them. The course provided suggestions about how we as a church could offer practical help and support. We are currently working through some of these suggestions.

We held another Coffee Morning to raise funds for Beech Holme Tandem Club which has a fleet of tandems to give blind and partially sighted people the opportunity of cycle rides. They run a regular programme of rides throughout the year. We organise a service and distribute envelopes to raise funds for the World Mission Fund. We continue to support the Open Doors project in Hull which offers support and help for refugees and asylum seekers. We helped to organise worship times in local residential homes. The church is open during Beverley's annual Christmas Festival, providing refreshments and entertainment.

### **Administrative Information**

Toll Gavel United Church is registered with the Charity Commission (number 1140314) as a local ecumenical partnership, and is situated on Toll Gavel, Beverley, East Yorkshire, HU17 9AA. Participating denominations are a) the Methodist Church and b) the United Reformed Church. They are accountable to the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church and the Yorkshire Synod of the United Reformed Church.

### **Current Trustees**

Chairman: Rev Fran Rhys

Elected Trustees: Mrs C. Nursey, Mrs E. Turner, Mr J. Turner, Mr D Powell, Mrs W Pearse

Co-opted Trustees: Mr C Hogg, Mrs C. Milburn, Mr N. Dykes (treasurer)

During the year Mrs M. Chastney resigned as a trustee.

Approved by the Trustees

Signed .....Rev. Fran Rhys.....

Chairman

Date.....29/10/2024.....

**THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

<b>TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH</b>	<b>Church</b>
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31 August 2024**

<b>YORKSHIRE NORTH &amp; EAST BRIDGE CIRCUIT</b>	<b>Circuit</b>	<b>Circuit no.</b>	<b>29/02</b>
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Minister:

Rev'd Fran Rhys
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Church Trustees:

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Mrs Andrea Page	Mrs Carolyn Nursey
Mr Colin Hogg	Mrs Wendy Pearse

Treasurer:

Mr Nigel Dykes
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**TOLL GAVEL  
UNITED CHURCH** Church

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	<b>Note</b>				
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b7	Other payments	29,229	3,905	33,134	40,228
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SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>				
	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	36,807	72,878	109,685	12,993
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	47,687	19,018	66,705 (c6)	53,712
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	84,494	91,896	<b>176,390</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4)</b>	<b>84,494</b>	<b>91,896</b>	<b>176,390 (c8)</b>
					<b>66,705 (c6)</b>

SECTION D		£	£
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	35	470
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**SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Toll Gavel Church Lunch Club	4,214	3,282	932		3,418	4,350
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e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	4,214	3,282	932		3,418 (e11)	4,350 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	222,702 (a7)	113,017 (b9)	109,685	(c7)	66,705 (c6)	176,390 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	226,916	116,299	110,617		70,123 (x)	180,740 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

**SECTION F**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2024**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	142	142
f2 Bank Current Account	10,380	10,162
f3 Bank Deposit Account	48,797	92,234
f4 Central Finance Board	1,697	67,871
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	5,689	5,981
f6 Other funds		
f7 <b>SUB TOTAL - Church accounts</b>	<b>66,705 (c6)</b>	<b>176,390 (c8)</b>
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	<b>3,418 (e11)</b>	<b>4,350 (e12)</b>
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**SECTION G**

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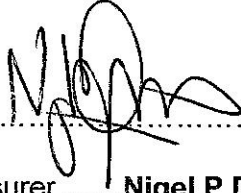
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Name of Church - **Toll Gavel United Church**

## 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 Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer .....



Date 16<sup>th</sup> December 2024

Name and address of treasurer ..... **Nigel P Dykes**

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### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 21<sup>st</sup> JANUARY 2025

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....



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REVD F.T. RHYS

Date

21.01.25

## Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Toll Gavel United Church

Charity Number 1140314

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Toll Gavel United Church for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages 1 to 3. As the Church'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 Church'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 Church ..... Toll Gavel United Church

**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 *[Handwritten Signature]* .....

Name of independent examiner *Andrew David Jordan* .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner *Business + Finance Manager*

Name of firm (where appropriate) **N/A**

Address *1. Harwood Crescent, Brough, East Yorkshire* .....

..... Post Code *HU11 1QD*

Date *8/01/2025* .....

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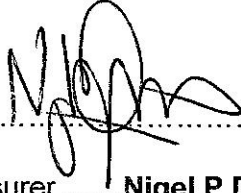
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England & Wales - Charity number 1140314

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# Accounts

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## TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2023

### **Aim and Purpose**

The Trustees of Toll Gavel United Church are responsible for the whole mission of the church, pastoral, spiritual, evangelical and ecumenical. They are responsible for the maintenance of the church premises.

### **Objectives and Activities**

The church's purpose is to advance the Christian faith in Beverley and the local area in accordance with the principles and practices of the Methodist and United Reformed Churches. To achieve this, the church has engaged in a range of activities, either on its own or with others, including:

- The celebration of public worship
- The teaching of the Christian faith
- Mission and Evangelism
- Pastoral work including visiting, the sick, bereaved, housebound and those in residential or nursing care
- Provision of facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, including the elderly and the young
- The support of other charities working in the UK and overseas

To facilitate much of this work it is vital to maintain the fabric of the building. This is becoming an increasingly difficult challenge because the premises are old, there is a reduction in self-help and the pressure on available finance.

### **Achievements and performance**

Rev Fran Rhys has completed her second year as our minister. We have continued to provide Sunday morning worship using a range of ministers and local preachers. Average attendance is between 50 and 60. We also provide monthly afternoon and evening services on a Sunday with a more informal atmosphere. These have increased in popularity and attract people on the fringe of the church community. We livestream the morning service and this is watched by an average of 20 viewers. This allows people who are unwell or cannot attend the service to watch it live or at a time which is more convenient for them.

In September 2022 we participated in the National Heritage celebrations. This year we displayed a series of Bible stories from the Old and New Testaments made from a variety of art forms. This event has become an established feature on our calendar.

We provide a Lunch Club once a fortnight on a Tuesday which is flourishing. A hot meal is provided for 40 people plus the staff. Another group operate a Community Lunch Club every Wednesday. The homeless, the lonely and the destitute are encouraged to use this facility. Our coffee facility at the front of the church continues to operate 3 mornings a week. We are managing to sustain our regular Saturday Coffee Morning in the hall, but the

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Other bookings from groups wanting to use the premises on a regular basis has gradually increased but our income from them has still only reached about two thirds of the amount pre-pandemic. Our income has been boosted by several large donations and legacies. These have helped to keep finances reasonably stable.

The Faith, Space and Place group has continued its work. They are exploring options for redeveloping our premises to make them more energy efficient and less expensive to operate. We secured some funding from the local council to employ a firm of architects to draw up plans to accommodate as many of our activities and booking into a single suite of premises rather than two.

By the end of 2023 they will provide us with a 3D computer generated model which can be shown to church members and user groups. This will allow us to proceed with a survey of all user groups to see if the architect's ideas fit their requirements.

We are only spending money on essential maintenance and any emergency repairs. The work to repair flood damage which happened in October 2021 was completed in December 2022

The Spirituality and Mission group have continued to meet regularly and explore and arrange ideas for worship and outreach.

During this year we have lost six members through death and a few more through the Methodist Church's decision to allow same sex marriages. Our current membership stands at 138. We continue to publish a monthly bulletin which is sent out by e mail or by hand. This contains information and dates of planned events.

Over a period of 10 years the Beverley Methodist circuit has been exploring amalgamating with another circuit in the district. There have been many similar mergers across the country as the Methodist church shrinks and the supply of ministers has reduced. Our most recent relationship has developed over a period of two years with the Hull Central and West circuits, and we have shared a joint superintendent minister during this period. Unfortunately during this year, she has retired through ill health and this combined with no circuit treasurer and no new circuit stewards appointed meant the idea had to be abandoned. However, a new idea emerged as other circuits in our district had similar issues. The Chair of our Methodist District suggested we joined a new arrangement due to start on September 1 2023, called the Bridge Circuit. An Operations' Manager had already been appointed and 3 other circuits were signed up to this new arrangement. The purpose behind this idea is to allow some of the administration of the churches to be taken care of and thereby releasing members to engage more with mission work. Due to a shortage of volunteers for important roles in the circuit we have taken this new idea on board and look forward to seeing how this works out in practice.

## **Pastoral work.**

The church members are divided into 15 pastoral groups each with a leader called a Pastoral Visitor. Their role is to keep in contact with their group, pass on information and deliver flowers to those who experience illness or bereavement. They do an excellent job.

Christine Milburn is employed as a lay worker among the elderly, and helps to run the church Lunch Club, as well as Leisure Day which meets to support older people with a weekly programme of events.

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## **Mission**

We participated in Christian Aid Week and distributed envelopes for donations and with another event we organised we raised £941. We also responded to the Turkish Earthquake Appeal and raised £1000. We organised a Coffee Morning to raise funds for Beech Holme Tandem Club which has a fleet of tandems to give blind and partially sighted people the opportunity of cycle rides. They run a regular programme of rides throughout the year. We organise a service and distribute envelopes to raise funds for the World Mission Fund. We continue to support the Open Doors project in Hull which offers support and help for refugees and asylum seekers We helped to organise worship times in local residential homes. We sent a box full of copies of Hymns and Psalms, a hymnbook we no longer use on a regular basis, to Sierra Leone. The church also voted in November to allow same sex marriages on its premises. The church is open during Beverley's annual Christmas Festival, providing refreshments and entertainment.

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Approved by the Trustees

Signed Rev. Francesca T. Rhys

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**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

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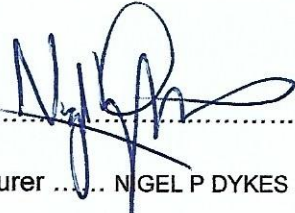
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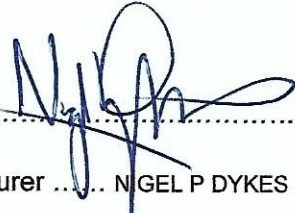
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**TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH**

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TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2022**

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- Provision of facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, including the elderly and the young
- The support of other charities working in the UK and oversea

To facilitate much of this work it is vital to maintain the fabric of the building. This is becoming an increasingly difficult challenge because the premises are old, there is a reduction in self- help and the pressure on available finance.

**Achievements and Performance**

The year began with the appointment of a new minister, Rev Fran Rhys and a welcome service was arranged to mark the start of her ministry in the Beverley circuit. The district support team was able to step down from their role. We have continued to provide weekly worship on Sunday mornings. In October we installed some new equipment which has enabled us to livestream this worship experience for those who cannot physically attend in person.

In September we participated in the annual Heritage weekend and the church hosted a knitted exhibition of highlights from the life of John Wesley. We also organised a few stalls and events in the church drive to help attract people in. Some of our uniformed groups took part in this. After this weekend we reopened our Coffee facility on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays and our Saturday Coffee Mornings in the church hall. The customer base has changed, and the attendance and support has been variable. We reduced the booking fee for groups who wanted to organise a Saturday Coffee Morning, and this has gradually helped to widen the number of groups to organise them. Other bookings from groups wanting to use the premises on a regular basis has gradually increased and our income from them has reached about two thirds of the amount pre-pandemic.

Income from collections has fallen too and we are concerned that expenditure is exceeding income on a regular basis. We appointed a new church treasurer in February after the resignation of our previous treasurer who had served in that role for about 15 years. This is a huge concern for the treasurer and the trustees, and will continue to play a large part in our future deliberations.

We established a group named Faith Space and Place which is exploring options for the future of our premises. We have a large church hall as well as a large church building which are both energy inefficient and old and expensive to run and maintain. This group is exploring options of what changes can be made and to this end have visited several churches in Yorkshire which have already made significant changes. We have reached the stage where we are ready for professional architects to provide some ideas for us to consider.

Another group, called the Spiritual Leadership Team, which was established during covid, continue to meet regularly, and provide ideas for worship and outreach. In conjunction with our children's worker, they do a good job with providing ideas and opportunities to engage with the wider community.

During this church year we have lost 4 members through death and 2 through transfer. We have made 5 new members. Members who have not attended worship or take no active part in the life of the church have all been contacted to see if they wish to continue their membership. Some have decided to rescind their membership, and some have not responded yet. As a result, our total membership has reduced to 149. 7 of these have a URC

affiliation. Attendance at worship varies between 40 and 60. There are usually 20 hits on our You Tube channel for Sunday worship but it is impossible to quantify numbers watching in an more detail.

The church is a member of the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church. We are also a member of the Yorkshire Synod of the United Reformed Church, and of Churches Together in Beverley. The Social Responsibility Housegroup continued to meet.

Toll Gavel continues to be a Fairtrade Church and supported this dimension to our mission We are planning to reignite our mission as an eco -church and work towards achieving our silver award in the next year.

### **Pastoral work**

The church members are divided into 14 pastoral groups each with a leader called a Pastoral Visitor. Their role is to keep in contact with their group, pass on information and deliver flowers to those who experience illness or bereavement. They do an excellent job.

Christine Milburn is employed as a lay worker among the elderly, and helps to run the church Lunch Club, as well as Leisure Day which meets to support older people with a weekly programme of events. Some of the worship activities in residential and nursing homes has resumed.

### **Use of the church premises**

The premises have gradually come back into regular use since the end of lockdown in the summer of 2021. All our uniformed groups have been active. Some of the music groups only reactivated during this summer. Slimming World have met regularly throughout. Other community groups, like DVAP ad Mind, have restarted their regular programmes. We have been attempting to make greater use of the church building. We have removed the old wooden chairs which were heavy to move and did not stack and replaced them with modern lightweight chairs which stack. This has helped to create a more flexible space and will allow a wider variety of groups to use this space.

We were without a caretaker until early March, so this role had to be fulfilled with volunteers. A new caretaker was appointed but resigned after 3 months which has left us reliant on a volunteer force again. The core of active volunteers is shrinking and most of them are well beyond pensionable age. Their contribution to the life of the church and keeping the building well maintained is immense and we offer our grateful thanks to them

### **Mission**

We have been unable to resume our regular support of All We Can partner projects. We were active in Christian Aid Week distributing envelopes to church members for donations and organising events for publicity and raise funds and we raised over £1000 In addition we raised £250 for the Haiti earthquake appeal. We continue to support the Open Doors project in Hull which gives help to refugees and asylum seekers. A Community Lunch meets on our premises and the focus for this is people who are homeless or on low incomes. A weekly creative arts group and a Games group have started. Additional planters have been placed in the drive and a large, beautiful mural painted and fixed on the wall. The 2 fixed stalls on the church drive have been regularly used for selling home grown fruit and vegetable, plants and home-made preserves and Fairtrade goods

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

Rules for the appointment of Trustees are set out in the Constitution of Toll Gavel United Church. Membership of Trustees consists of the Minister, six Trustees appointed by the annual congregational meeting and up to six co-opted members.

### **Administrative Information**

Toll Gavel United Church is registered with the Charity Commission (number 1140314) as a local ecumenical partnership, and is situated on Toll Gavel, Beverley, East Yorkshire, HU17 9AA Participating denominations are a) the Methodist Church and b) the United Reformed Church. They are accountable to the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church and the Yorkshire Synod of the United Reformed Church. A review of the constitution has taken place and no changes were recommended.

**Current Trustees**

Chairman: Rev Fran Rhys

Elected Trustees: Mrs C. Nursey, Mrs E. Turner, Mr J. Turner, Mr D Powell, Mrs W Pearce

Co-opted Trustees: Mr C Hogg, Mrs C. Milburn, Mrs M Chastney, Mr N.Dykes (new treasurer)

During the year Mr P Davies ad Mr T Bratley resigned

Approved by the Trustees

Signed .....

Chairman

**THE METHODIST CHURCH**  
**STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Toll Gavel United Church

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

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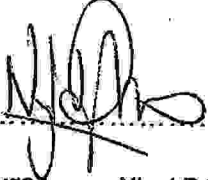
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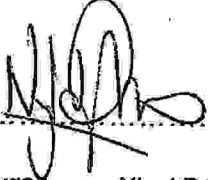
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## **Achievements and Performance.**

We began the church year with an easing of lockdown, but this did not last long. We did not resume face to face public worship until Easter Day in April 2021. Our superintendent minister did not resume his duties after his sabbatical, and he remained off work until after Easter and then only resumed light duties. We continued to supply on- line weekly worship to all those who had the facility to receive it. The remainder of members, about 40 in total received a hard copy of worship material and a weekly bulletin of news and items of interest. These were hand delivered. All fund raising - events continued to be cancelled, and only a small number of groups were able to use the premises over the winter period. This had a massive impact on income. Although some of our employees were able to work for a short period, they spent most of the year on furlough. In the autumn we issued redundancy notices to the church cleaner and caretaker. They were unable to provide sufficient flexibility in their working hours to provide what the church needed, and redundancy had been considered before lockdown. We followed the advice and guidance of our district lay employment officer throughout this procedure. Their redundancy took effect on March 31. Since then we have relied on volunteers to cover their duties as there was not sufficient income to allow the church to proceed with a replacement post. The intention had been to appoint one person to cover all the duties. By the end of the year, August 31 we still had not completed the process of completing all the paperwork necessary to proceed.

Eventually, to cover our minister's prolonged absence we had a district support team put in place to help us through this difficult period. One of the suggestions they made was to appoint a Vision Group to help make plans for the future life of the church. Names were suggested and all of those approached agreed to accept the invitation to join. The District Mission Consultant was asked to lead the group through a process of reflection. When this process was completed, they reported to the Trustees who gave them their support. Next, we approached the wider membership of the church through the Congregational Meeting, and they also offered their support for the group. A plan was hatched for some short- term targets which were implemented straight away.

In the meantime, our minister, Rev Peter Cross had secured early retirement and the search for a successor was initiated through the Methodist stationing process. We found a successful candidate in the form of the Rev Fran Rhys who would start work with us in September 2021.

The Vision Group was renamed the Toll Gavel Interim Leadership Team and contact was made with the Rev Fran Rhys once her appointment was confirmed. We look forward to seeing their plans and ideas coming to fruition.

During this last church year, we have lost 6 church members through death and 5 members have resigned. This reduces our number of members to 163. We continue with 6 URC affiliated members.

There are now 163 members of whom 7 have a URC affiliation. Attendance at Sunday morning worship is 70 to 80

### **Mission and Evangelism**

The church is a member of the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church. We are also a member of the Yorkshire Synod of the United Reformed Church, and of Churches Together in Beverley. The Social Responsibility Housegroup continued to meet. Other established housegroups have been discontinued but a new group was established which ran for 6 sessions under the leadership of Rev David Wilkes, a retired Methodist minister.

Toll Gavel is a Fairtrade Church and supported this dimension to our mission by establishing a home delivery service. This was supported on a regular basis by a core of members. Before Christmas, catalogues were widely distributed, and many orders were received.

### **Pastoral Work**

The church membership is divided into 15 pastoral groups each with a leader called a Pastoral Visitor. Their role is to keep in touch with their group, pass on information, deliver flowers to those who experience illness or bereavement. During lockdown their role has increased in importance as a point of contact with the church. We suggested to them that they made contact with their group at least every two weeks.

Christine Milburn is employed by the Circuit as a lay worker among the elderly and although she was furloughed at the beginning of lockdown, and all the groups she ran had to close, she made extensive use of the telephone to maintain contact with everyone, once her furlough had ended.

Cathy Beynon is employed as a Family and Children's worker. During the lockdown, it has been difficult for her to perform any of her duties.

Christine Burton, the church administrator was furloughed throughout the lockdowns.

Our regular programme of worship in the local residential and nursing homes had to be suspended during lockdown.

### **Users of the Church premises**

The church is a suitable concert venue. It is warm, comfortable, accessible and has good acoustics. There is usually a regular programme of concerts throughout the year. The front of the church has a café area which is open to the public on weekday mornings. One local choir uses the church for its weekly practice. Our Children and families Worker normally operates a group for parents / carers and babies under one year old.

Use of the church hall has been interrupted by further lockdown restrictions. We had some use in the autumn of 2020 but then we went into a further lockdown after Christmas. From April 2021 there has been some use made of the hall. The church uniformed groups all restarted. Slimming World restarted their groups but with a limited time frame and many members have not returned yet. The church held 3 series of concerts. The Early Music Festival was held in late May; Stage organised another series of concerts in June and New Paths organised a festival in July. They all used restricted seating and all tickets had to be pre-booked. One of our regular choirs restarted in August. So, use of the premises to generate income has been limited.

### **Mission**

We have undertaken to support partner projects in developing countries for many years. This year we supported a project through All We Can in Uganda which supplied cycles to help children access school on a more regular basis. They could also be used to carry goods to the market to sell for much needed income. As restrictions eased we were able to support Christian Aid Week in May and we raised over £2000. We continue to support the Open Doors project in Hull which gives help to refugees and asylum seekers.

**Volunteers**

The Trustees recognise and appreciate the work of many volunteers from the church community who help in so many different ways. In particular for the second half of the year we relied on volunteers to perform caretaking and cleaning duties.

**Structure, Governance and Management**

Rules for the appointment of Trustees are set out in the Constitution of Toll Gavel United Church. Membership of Trustees consists of the Minister, six Trustees appointed by the annual congregational meeting and six co-opted by the Trustees. All eligible church members are encouraged to stand for election as a Trustee.

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Toll Gavel United Church is registered with the Charity Commission (number 1140314) as a local ecumenical partnership, and is situated on Toll Gavel, Beverley, East Yorkshire, HU17 9AA Participating denominations are a) the Methodist Church and b) the United Reformed Church. They are accountable to the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church and the Yorkshire Synod of the United Reformed Church. We hope to organise a review of the constitution as it is overdue.

Current Trustees

Chairman: during our minister’s absence we have used 3 different people to chair the meetings. On behalf of the church we thank the Trustees for the extra work and meetings which have resulted from lockdown.

Elected Trustees Mr T Bratley, Mr P Davies, Mrs C. Nursey, Mrs E. Turner, Mr J. Turner

Co-opted Trustees: Mrs J Grimes, Mr C Hogg, Mrs C. Milburn, Mrs M Chastney

Mrs B. James died during the year and Mrs C. Ranson has resigned. Mrs Grimes’ term of office has been completed.

Approved by the Trustees

Signed .....

Chairman

**THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

<b>Toll Gavel United Church</b>
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 August 2021

<b>Beverley Methodist</b>	Circuit	Circuit no	29/8
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**Registered Charity - Charity Registration number**

1140314
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Minister:

Revd Leslie Newton (Acting Superintendent)
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Church Stewards:

Mr John Turner	Mr Terry John Bratley
Mrs Elaine Margaret Turner	Mrs Christine Milburn
Mr Colin George Hogg	Mrs Janet Grimes
Mrs Margaret Winifred Chastney	Mrs Carolyn Nursey

Treasurer:

Mr Peter Davies
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**Toll Gavel United Church**

Church

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	50,469		50,469	57,514
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	300		300	331
a4	Lettings	9,743		9,743	26,594
a5	Other receipts	33,133	446	33,579	12,422
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>93,645</b>	<b>446</b>	<b>94,091 (a7)</b>	<b>96,861</b>

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	48,630		48,630	45,723
b3	Donations	4,223		4,223	2,893
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	11,294		11,294	43,135
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	24,390		24,390	39,202
b6					
b7	Other payments	1,481	636	2,117	5,956
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>90,018</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>90,654 (b9)</b>	<b>136,909</b>

SECTION C		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year	
		£	£	£	£	
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	(a6-b8)	3,627	(190)	3,437	(40,048)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		38,147	26,354	64,501 (c6)	103,549
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	(c1+c2)	41,774	26,164	67,938	63,501
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	1,000
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	(c3+c4)	<b>41,774</b>	<b>26,164</b>	<b>67,938 (c8)</b>	<b>64,501 (c6)</b>

SECTION D		£	£
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>			
d (these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)			
d1	Balance brought forward from last year	311	311
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	5,268	1,996
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	5,324	1,996
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	<b>255</b>	<b>311</b>

**SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

**SECTION E** Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Church Council/Church 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 income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, 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 District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
1 Sunday Club					37	37
2 Lunch Club					3,308	3,308
3 99 Club					271	271
4 Fairtrade	5,268	5,761	(493)		748	255
5						
6						
7						
8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	5,268	5,761	(493)		4,364 (e11)	3,871 (e12)
9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	94,091 (a7)	90,654 (b9)	3,437	(c7)	64,501 (c6)	67,938 (c8)
10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	99,359	96,415	2,944		68,865 (x)	71,809 (y)
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

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

**SECTION F**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2021**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
1 Cash in hand	9	78
2 Bank Current Account	9,654	3,200
3 Bank Deposit Account	22,742	52,564
4 Central Finance Board	31,592	11,592
5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	504	504
6 Other funds		
7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	64,501 (c6)	67,938 (c8)
8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	4,364 (e11)	3,871 (e12)
9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	68,865 (x)	71,809 (y)

**SECTION G**

**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
1 Investments (include Endowments)		
2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	5,467,146	5,685,788
3 Other Assets		
4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
5 Other Liabilities		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

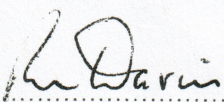
g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

Name of Church ... Toll Gavel United

29-Aug

## 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 Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

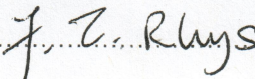
Signature of treasurer .....  ..... Date... 26/01/2022

Name and address of treasurer ..... Peter Davies

17 Woodlands Drive, Beverley.

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 25/01/2022.....

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....  .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting ..... Rev Fran Fhys ..... 26/01/2022

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

..... Toll Gavel United Church

Charity Number .. 1140314

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the ...Toll Gavel United..... Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages 1... to ...5.

As the Church'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 Church'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 Church TOWN GAVEL UNITED No 29/8


**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.
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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 UNDERWOOD

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

Name of firm (where appropriate) TAX ASSIST ACCOUNTANTS

Address 6 MOUNT STREET  
HARROGATE Post Code HG2 8DQ

Date 3.2.2012

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Sep-20

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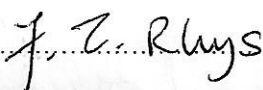
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**TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH**

England & Wales - Charity number 1140314

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# Accounts

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**TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH  
TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT 2020**

**Aim and Purpose**

The Trustees of Toll Gavel United Church are responsible for the whole mission of the church, pastoral, spiritual, evangelical and ecumenical. They are responsible for the maintenance of the church premises

**Objectives and Activities**

The church's purpose is to advance the Christian faith in Beverley and the local area in accordance with the principles and practices of the Methodist and United Reformed Churches. To achieve this, the church has engaged in a range of activities, either on its own or with others, including:

- The celebration of public worship
- The teaching of the Christian faith
- Mission and Evangelism
- Pastoral work including visiting, the sick, bereaved, housebound and those in residential or nursing care
- Provision of facilities with a Christian ethos for the local community, including the elderly and the young
- The support of other charities working in the UK and overseas

To facilitate much of this work it is vital to maintain the fabric of the building.

**Achievements and Performance.**

In March 2020 H.M. Government ordered a public lockdown to counteract the threat of the Covid-19 pandemic. Overnight the church and all the activities which took place were suspended or cancelled. The church building was closed, and all employees were told to stay at home. This has had a massive impact on how the church functioned, and this will be referred to in the report

From September 1 2019 the Rev Peter Cross continued as superintendent minister. For the first half of the year we were able to continue with our weekly Sunday morning worship including a monthly Communion and a mid-week Communion Service. Two evening worship sessions continued with a Communion Service on the second Sunday and an informal contemporary worship experience on the fourth Sunday. A breakfast is available before worship on the first Sunday of the month followed by a Family Café Hour for children. Parade services continued including a Christingle service in February. In addition to the Minister the circuit has a group of Local Preachers who regularly lead worship. We also have a couple of active retired ministers who also lead worship occasionally. We have a large and beautiful organ which is still in regular use with a rota of organists and they contribute greatly to the worship experience.

A Worship Committee meets to plan worship events

There are now 174 members of whom 7 have a URC affiliation. Attendance at Sunday morning worship is 70 to 80

**Mission and Evangelism**

The church is a member of the Yorkshire North and East District of the Methodist Church. We are also a member of the Yorkshire Synod of the United Reformed Church, and of Churches Together in Beverley. We have a few housegroups who meet once a month for fellowship, learning and action.

Toll Gavel is a Fairtrade Church and has a small area which has a display of Fairtrade products available for sale throughout the week. Toll Gavel renewed its Fairtrade status during the summer. This is awarded externally by the Fairtrade Foundation. We have continued to sell Fairtrade products during lockdown and introduced a home delivery service for customers from June. Sales have been buoyant and were actually greater in some months than the previous year.

The church continued to run its weekday Café until the lockdown with about 500 customers a month. We also continued with our fortnightly Lunch Club serving a two-course hot meal for the elderly. We were open again for the annual Beverley Festival of Christmas for entertainment and light refreshments and this event is always well supported. Half the money raised goes to charity.

**Pastoral Work**

The church membership is divided into 16 pastoral groups each with a leader called a Pastoral Visitor. Their role is to keep in touch with their group, pass on information, deliver flowers to those who experience illness or bereavement. During lockdown their role has increased in importance as a point of contact with the church. We suggested to them that they made contact with their group at least every two weeks. Since lockdown we introduced a weekly bulletin with news and information which is distributed by e mail or by hand delivery. All this effort will hopefully have kept people in touch and informed

Christine Milburn is employed as a lay worker among the elderly and although she was furloughed at the beginning of lockdown, and all the groups she ran had to close. She made extensive use of the telephone to maintain contact with everyone.

Cathy Beynon is employed as a youth and childrens' worker. In the lockdown she has had to be furloughed, but she does excellent work as part of a team who run a Family Cafe Hour in the Hall on the first Sunday of the month, a very successful weekly 'Messy Mondays' for parents and toddlers, and a weekly Mother and Baby group.

One lady, very thoughtfully, painted some small pictures with a greeting or message and has distributed them to elderly people living on their own.

Our regular programme of worship in the local residential and nursing homes had to be suspended during lockdown.

Our minister began a 3 -month sabbatical in June which made our pastoral network even more crucial.

### **Users of the Church premises**

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Our church hall is well used. It has a large kitchen. There are small rooms on the side of the hall which are mainly used for storage. They are covered by flat roofs and this year we had them renewed as one had a serious leak. One entrance to the hall has an additional room we call the Welcome Room. It has its own small kitchen area and easy access to the toilets. The hall accommodates weekly meetings for Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers as well as Beavers, Cubs and Explorers. Slimming World, AA, 2 Lunch groups and 2 Choirs and a non- performing singing class meet weekly. The charity Mind and the local Foodbank also make regular use of our premises. All these activities ceased at the start of lockdown with the subsequent loss of income. A limited number of the activities restarted in mid-August but one of our concerns is how many more will eventually return. We held regular fund-raising events in the church hall and all these have had to be suspended. We employ an Administration Officer to organise the bookings and send out invoices.

This year during lockdown we have managed to redecorate the Flower Room, the inside of the Centre and the Welcome Room. The entrance doors to the church have been repainted. In March we were awarded the Bronze award as part of the Eco Church scheme run by A Rocha. The church will undertake a scheme of continued improvements to reduce our carbon footprint.

### **Mission**

We have undertaken to support partner projects in developing countries for many years. This year we supported a project through All We Can in Ethiopia and one aspect of this was to help them grow more of their own food with crops which could cope better with climate change. For the first time ever the Christian Aid Week collection was unable to take place, but the church rallied round and donated £1000 from individual members' gifts. We continue to support the Open Doors project in Hull which gives help to refugees and asylum seekers. The Social Responsibility Group have led the church's response to the climate crisis, and have successfully achieved the bronze award in the Eco-church scheme.

### **Volunteers**

The Trustees recognise and appreciate the work of many volunteers from the church community who help in so many different ways.

## **Structure, Governance and Management**

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Elected Trustees Mr T Bratley, Mr P Davies, Mrs C. Nursey, Mrs E. Turner, Mr J. Turner

Co-opted Trustees: Mrs J Grimes, Mr C Hogg, Mrs B James. Mrs C. Ranson, Mrs C. Milburn, Mrs M Chastney

Approved by the Trustees November 25 2020

Signed .....Heather Shipman .....

Chairman District substitute for Revd Peter Cross who was on sick leave

**THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

**TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH**

**(METHODIST & UNITED REFORMED)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

31 August 2020

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**TOLL GAVEL  
UNITED CHURCH**

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a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		331		<b>331</b>	280
a4	Lettings		26,594		<b>26,594</b>	37,934
a5	Other receipts		5,112	7,310	<b>12,422</b>	37,268
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>		<b>89,551</b>	<b>7,310</b>	<b>96,861 (a7)</b>	<b>139,436</b>

SECTION B						
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		45,723		<b>45,723</b>	31,420
b3	Donations		2,893		<b>2,893</b>	3,136
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		43,135		<b>43,135</b>	24,404
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		39,202		<b>39,202</b>	42,959
b6						
b7	Other payments		3,894	2,062	<b>5,956</b>	7,011
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>		<b>134,847</b>	<b>2,062</b>	<b>136,909 (b9)</b>	<b>108,930</b>

SECTION C						
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	<b>(a6-b8)</b>	(45,296)	5,248	<b>(40,048)</b>	30,506
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		82,443	21,106	<b>103,549 (c6)</b>	71,493
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	<b>(c1+c2)</b>	37,147	26,354	<b>63,501</b>	<b>101,999</b>
c4	Transfers and adjustments		1,000		<b>1,000 (c7)</b>	1,550
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	<b>(c3+c4)</b>	<b>38,147</b>	<b>26,354</b>	<b>64,501 (c8)</b>	<b>103,549 (c6)</b>

SECTION D				
<b>FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS</b>				
d	<b>(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)</b>		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		311	311
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		1,996	3,243
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		1,996	3,243
d4	<b>BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID</b>	<b>(d1+d2-d3)</b>	<b>311</b>	<b>311</b>

## TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH

### SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE TRUSTEES

#### SECTION E Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 2019 and Internal Organisations reporting to the Trustees. 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 income and expenditure totals of the Church. If gross income exceeds the Accruals threshold, 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 District and connected District Organisations.

INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 <b>Sunday Club</b>		50	(50)		87	37
e2 <b>Lunch Club</b>	1,529	671	858	(1,000)	3,450	3,308
e3 <b>99 Club</b>	1,572	1,444	128		143	271
e4 <b>Fairtrade</b>	5,002	4,762	240		508	748
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	8,103	6,927	1,176	(1,000)	4,188 (e11)	4,364 (e12)
e9 <b>Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)</b>	96,861 (a7)	136,909 (b9)	(40,048)	1,000 (c7)	103,549 (c6)	64,501 (c8)
e10 <b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>	<b>104,964</b>	<b>143,836</b>	<b>(38,872)</b>		<b>107,737 (x)</b>	<b>68,865 (y)</b>
	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

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

#### SECTION F

##### STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

###### CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2019

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	868	9
f2 Bank Current Account	10,904	9,654
f3 Bank Deposit Account	59,910	22,742
f4 Central Finance Board	31,367	31,592
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	500	504
f6		
f7 <b>SUB TOTAL - Church accounts</b>	<b>103,549 (c6)</b>	<b>64,501 (c8)</b>
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	<b>4,188 (e11)</b>	<b>4,364 (e12)</b>
f9 <b>TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH</b>	<b>107,737 (x)</b>	<b>68,865 (y)</b>

#### SECTION G

##### OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2019	At 31 August 2020
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (Insurance value)	5,328,590	5,467,146
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 Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes

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

## Toll Gavel United Church

### Internal Organisations - Funds held in own bank accounts at 31st August 2020

	1.09.19	Receipts	Payments	Donations	Transfers to Church Funds	31.08.20
Sunday Club	87.38		50.00			37.38
Lunch Club	3,449.90	1,529.15	670.77		1,000.00	3308.28
99 Club	143.26	1,571.48	1444.48			270.26
Fairtrade	507.99	5,002.29	4,762.05			748.23
	<u>4,188.53</u>	<u>8,102.92</u>	<u>6,927.30</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	<u>4,364.15</u>

## Toll Gavel United Church

Internal Organisations (Restricted Funds) - Funds held in Church Bank Accounts at 31st August 2020

	1.09.19	Receipts	Payments	Transfers to Church Funds	31.08.20
Organ Fund	5,531.73	392.86	0	0	5,924.59
The Leprosy Mission	60.00	142.50	0	0	202.50
Toll Gavel Centre	10,092.03	2,100.21	0	0	12,192.24
Benevolent Fund	391.73	196.50	260.00	0	328.23
Baby Group & Messy Mondays	3,528.97	1,216.13	1,431.76	0	3,313.34
Drive Fund	844.64	39.00	42.28	0	841.36
Property Fund	137.03	2,536.04	0	0	2,673.07
Ministers leaving collections	30.00	0	0	0	30.00
Mustard Seed	366.34	259.95	134.47	0	491.82
National Children's Home	123.23	77.48	193.79	0	6.92
Parish of Cobargo	0	350.00	0	0	350.00
	<u>21,105.70</u>	<u>7,310.67</u>	<u>2,062.30</u>	<u>0.00</u>	<u>26,354.07</u>

Name of Church . TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH

## Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2020 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer .....*Peter Davies* ..... Date 29th April 2021

Name and address of treasurer                      Peter Davies

17, Woodlands Drive, BEVERLEY, East Yorkshire. HU17 8BZ

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2020 were presented to the meeting of the Church Trustees held on Tuesday, 18th May 2021

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....*John Turner* .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting .....John Turner..... Date 18th May 2021

Name of Church TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH

**Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the**

**TOLL GAVEL UNITED CHURCH**

**Charity Number 1140314**

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Toll Gavel United Church for the year ended 31 August 2020 set out on pages 2 to 5 of 7. As the Church'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 Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent Examiner's Statement**

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination which 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 obtained independent verification of balance held at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which is in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date. I have not obtained independent verification of the bank balances held with HSBC, which total is in excess of £10,000 and I have relied of the bank statements.

Signature of independent examiner ..... *David Finch* .....

Name of independent examiner DAVID FINCH

Address 'Rosedale', 5A Ellerker Road, BEVERLEY, East Yorkshire. HU17 8LE

Date 28th April 2021

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