

North Fylde Circuit Annual Report 2023-2024

The North Fylde Circuit has employed three ordained ministers and a full-time lay worker during this period. The aim of the Circuit is to proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in word and deed and provide communities of welcome and worship in the communities of Fleetwood, Pilling, Knott End, Thornton-Cleveleys, Cleveleys Park and Poulton-le-Fylde.

We have continued to increase our sense of circuit togetherness through united Circuit services and a mixture of informal and business Circuit meetings. Our pattern of worship is a mix of the traditional and contemporary aiming to meet different tastes and needs. We have developed our online presence including live streaming of some of our acts of worship.

Congregational numbers vary across the circuit and recruiting of volunteers to fill key posts continues to be a concern. That being said, alongside the challenges we have faced as a Circuit there has been the consolidation of new work with children and young people and community outreach via 'Just Be' groups for adults and, separately, young people.

The Circuit is actively considering its strategy for the future and seeks to both build on past achievements and explore new ways of being God's people in the communities of Wyre and Over-Wyre.

Rev Will Hunter

Superintendent Minister

On behalf of the Circuit Leadership Team and North Fylde Circuit Meeting

28.04.2025

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2024

	Notes to the account s	General Fund (Unrestricted) £	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted) £	Designated Funds (unrestricted) £	Restricted Funds £	Endowment Funds £	Total 2023-24 £
Income							
1 Donations and legacies		640					640
2 Income from monetary investments		23,874					23,874
3 Income from investment properties		19,380					19,380
4 Assessments on Churches		174,954					174,954
5 Capital Receipts			190,057				190,057
6 Grants received		1,480					1,480
7 Other charitable income							0
8 Total income		220,328	190,057	-	-	-	410,385
Expenditure							
9 Grants and donations		-72,970					-72,970
10 Salaries and associated costs		153,743					153,743
11 Property maintenance		25,763					25,763
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy			15,961				15,961
13 District Assessment & Levy		56,889					56,889
14 Depreciation							0
15 Office expenses		2,603					2,603
16 Other outgoings		11,175					11,175
17 Total charitable expenditure		177,203	15,961	0	0	0	193,164
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments			699				699
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties							
20 Net income/(expenditure)		43,125	174,795	0	0	0	217,920
21 Transfers between funds		30,000	-30,000				0
22 Other gains/(losses)							
23 Net movement in funds		73,125	144,795	0	0	0	217,920
24 Total funds brought forward		129,146	328,791		378	27,399	485,714
25 Total funds carried forward		202,271	473,586	-	378	27,399	703,634

Name of Circuit.: North Fylde Circuit

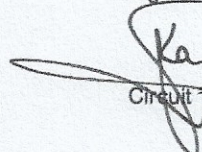
Circuit No.: 21/15

Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2024

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Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Totals 2023/24	Totals 2022/23	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Fixed Assets								
Circuit Manses & Equipment	1,105,000					1,105,000		R
Investment properties	714,000					714,000		R
Investments						0		
Total fixed assets	1,819,000	0	0	0	0	1,819,000	0	
Current Assets								
Debtors	10,217					10,217		S
Loans by the Circuit						0		
Investments with TMCP		470,665			28,388	499,053		
Central Finance Board Deposits	87,246					87,246		T
Cash at Bank and in hand	52,804					52,804		
Total current assets	150,267	470,665	0	0	28,388	649,320	0	
Current liabilities								
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	39,252					39,252		U
Grants payable within 2022-23						0		V
Total current liabilities	39,252	0	0	0	0	39,252	0	
Net current assets/liabilities	111,015	470,665	0	0	28,388	610,068	0	
Total assets less current liabilities	1,930,015	470,665	0	0	28,388	2,429,068	0	
Long term liabilities (due after more than one year)								
Grants payable after 2022-23						0		V
Loans to the Circuit						0		
						0		
Net assets	1,930,015	470,665	0	0	28,388	2,429,068	0	W
Funds of the Circuit								
General Fund (Unrestricted)	1,930,015					1,930,015		
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)		470,665				470,665		W
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)			0			0		
Total Unrestricted Funds						2,400,680	0	
Restricted Funds				0		0		
Endowment Funds					28,388	28,388		
Total Funds	1,930,015	470,665	0	0	0	2,429,068	0	

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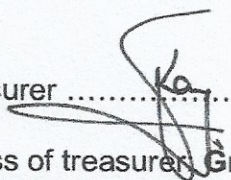


Circuit Treasurer

Name of Circuit: **North Fylde Circuit** No: 21/15

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these accruals-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  Date: 2nd May 2025

Name and address of treasurer: **Graham Kay, 2 Cottam Place, Poulton le Fylde**
Post Code: **FY6 7RE**

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 will be presented to the Circuit meeting to be held on 7th July 2025.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting: Rev. W. Hunter

Name of the Chair of the meeting: Rev Will Hunter. Date 02/05/2025

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

North Fylde Circuit

Charity Number: 1142571

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the North Fylde Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2024 set out on pages 1 to 2. 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.

Name of Circuit: **North Fylde** No: **21/15**

Independent Examiner's Statement

The Circuit's gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of The Association of Chartered Certified Accountants.

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; or
- the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view, which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.
- the trustees' annual report is not consistent with the accounts.

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: Raymond Hamer

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner: FCCA

Address: 1 Turnstone, Herons Reach, Blackpool

Post Code: FY3 8FH

Date: 2nd May 2025