

The North Fylde Circuit, 1/24 Team NFC Together Everyone Accomplishes More

Annual Report for the Charity Commission (1st September 2024 – 31st August 2025)

The North Fylde Circuit serves the communities of Fleetwood, Cleveleys, Thornton Cleveleys, Poulton and Over-Wyre (Knott End and Pilling) through five Methodist churches. During the reporting period, the Circuit Team comprised three ordained staff (presbyters) and one employed Children, Youth and Families Enabler.

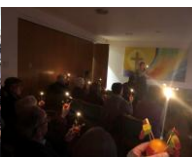
Our churches vary in size and worship style, reflecting the diversity of our communities. Across the Circuit, we have increased opportunities for shared worship and collaboration, including Circuit Services, retreats and vision days. Our Circuit Facebook page supports communication and public engagement by sharing activities across the Circuit and enabling initiatives such as our 'Thought for the Month' videos.

We continued to develop our work with children, young people and families through a growing Circuit-wide volunteer team, led by the Children, Youth and Families Enabler. The team meets regularly for fellowship, support, planning, and delivery of activities, including our Summer Holiday Club and the Just Bee Outdoors Group.

We began developing a Circuit-wide approach to working together as TEAM NFC (North Fylde Circuit), strengthening shared responsibility and collaborative delivery across the life of the Circuit, guided by the principle that 'Together Everyone Accomplishes More'. Our aims for TEAM NFC are to increase participation in Circuit meetings, share prayer and Bible study across churches, to continue opportunities for the Circuit to meet alongside Circuit Services, and work more collaboratively as one Circuit rather than five separate communities. This work is progressing as we prepare for staffing changes in September 2025, following the retirement of our current Superintendent. Rev Will Hunter's retirement was marked at a Circuit Service at Poulton Methodist Church on Sunday 13th July, celebrating his ministry among us and recognising the transition of responsibilities to the remaining staff members.

We recognise the challenges faced by our churches and communities, and we remain grateful for the commitment of those who serve across the North Fylde Circuit. As we continue to plan and discern for the future, we do so with confidence in God's faithfulness and with a focus on sustaining and developing our mission and ministry in the years ahead.

Rev Katie Leonowicz
Superintendent of the North Fylde Circuit
27th April 2026

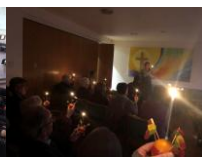


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Name of Circuit: North Fylde Circuit No. 1.24

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2025

Notes to the accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trust (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2024-25
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Income						
1 Donations and legacies	405					405
2 Income from monetary investments	23,769					23,769
3 Income from investment properties	18,454					18,454
4 Assessments on Churches	175,329					175,329
5 Capital Receipts	5,092					5,092
6 Grants received	-					0
7 Other charitable income	335					335
8 Total income	223,383	-	-	-	-	223,383
Expenditure						
9 Grants and donations	1,370	5,000				6,370
10 Salaries and associated costs	158,571					158,571
11 Property maintenance	36,954					36,954
12 Connexional assessment & model trust levy		26,550				26,550
13 District Assessment & Levy	58,197					58,197
14 Depreciation						0
15 Office expenses	11,995					11,995
16 Other outgoings	30,607					30,607
17 Total charitable expenditure	297,694	31,550	0	0	0	329,244
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments		456				456
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						
20 Net income/(expenditure)	-74,311	-31,094	0	0	0	-105,405
21 Transfers between funds	100,000	-100,000				0
22 Other gains/(losses)						
23 Net movement in funds	25,689	-131,094	0	0	0	-105,405
24 Total funds brought forward	202,271	473,586		378	27,399	703,634
25 Total funds carried forward	227,960	342,492	-	378	27,399	598,229



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Circuit No

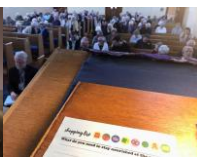
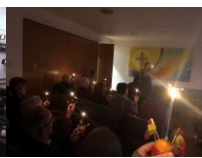
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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2025

Notes to the Accounts	General Fund (Unrestricted)	Circuit Model Trusts (Unrestricted)	Designated Funds (Unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Totals 2024/25	Totals 2023/24	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	
Fixed Assets								
Circuit Menses & Equipment	1,105,000					1,105,000	1,105,000	II
Investment properties	714,500					714,500	714,500	II
Investments						0	0	
Total fixed assets	1,819,500	0	0	0	0	1,819,500	1,819,500	
Current Assets								
Debtors	7,780					7,780	10,211	S
Loans by the Circuit						0	0	
Investments with TMGP		358,601			29,213	387,815	499,850	
Central Finance Board Deposits	23,670					23,670	87,240	T
Cash at Bank and in hand	124,137					124,137	52,804	
Total current assets	155,587	358,601	0	0	29,213	543,401	649,905	
Current Liabilities								
Creditors (due in under 1 year)	38,739					38,739	39,200	U
Grants payable within the year						0	0	V
Total current liabilities	38,739	0	0	0	0	38,739	39,200	
Net current assets/liabilities	116,848	358,601	0	0	29,213	504,664	610,705	
Total assets less current liabilities	1,935,849	358,601	0	0	29,213	2,323,664	2,429,968	
Long term Liabilities (due after more than one year)								
Grants payable after one year						0	0	V
Loans to the Circuit						0	0	
Net assets	1,935,849	358,601	0	0	29,213	2,323,664	2,429,968	W
Funds of the Circuit								
General Fund (Unrestricted)	1,935,849					1,935,849	1,900,019	W
Circuit Model Trust Fund (Unrestricted)		358,601				358,601	470,660	
Designated Funds (Unrestricted)			0			0	0	
Total Unrestricted Funds						2,294,451	2,400,680	
Restricted Funds				0		0	0	
Endowment Funds					29,213	29,213	29,288	
Total Funds	1,935,849	358,601	0	0	0	2,323,664	2,429,968	

Signed


Circuit Treasurer



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Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these accruals-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  Date 28th January 2026

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 2025 will be presented to the Circuit meeting being held on **23rd March 2026**

Signature of the Chair of the meeting: 

Name of the Chair of the meeting: **Rev Katie Leonowicz** Date: 28th January 2026



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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 2025 set out on pages 1 to 3. 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.

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; 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 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**

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

Address: **1 Turnstone, Heron's Reach, Blackpool. Post Code: FY3 8FH**

Date: **31.01.26**