

STOKESLEY METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales · Charity number 1147112

Details

Status Registered

Legal form Previously excepted

Registered 2012-05-03

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: We provide Christian Worship across the geographical area covered by the charity.o We promote and practise prayer, bible study and training.o We encourage all ages to discover & grow in the Christian faith.o We support the vulnerable and fight injustice at home & abroad.o We maintain our buildings for our own and community use.o We work ecumenically where appropriate.

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Religious Activities
- **Who:** The General Public/mankind

Geography

- North Yorkshire

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2025-08-31	£174,093	£199,599	-	-
2024-08-31	£175,153	£216,390	-	-
2023-08-31	£172,960	£154,439	-	-
2022-08-31	£140,005	£144,117	-	-
2021-08-31	£170,802	£148,334	-	-
2020-08-31	£160,587	£135,342	-	-

Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
Rev ANDREW ROBINSON	Chair	2016-09-08
AUDREY HARRINGTON		2012-04-26
Brian David Hull		2023-03-08
CAROL MARGARET EASTON		2012-04-26
Catherine Ann Thomas		2026-03-18
Clare Anne Elizabeth Ibbotson		2022-06-20
David Sills		2023-03-08
Elaine Margaret May Wilson		2024-12-04
Florence Pauline Dale		2026-03-18
Howard Whitehead		2017-03-15
JUDY LAVENDER		2016-03-16
Katherine Anne Atha		2023-09-27
LES BLAND		2013-04-05
Lesley Jackson		2023-06-22
MALCOLM WILSON BSC		2012-04-26
Margaret Horner		2023-03-08
Peter Mitchinson		2020-12-09
RONALD DEREK KIRK		2012-04-26
Rev Janet Patricia Jackson		2025-09-03
Robert Alan Stokeld		2025-03-12
Robert James Weir		2021-09-01
Ruth Smith		2026-03-18
Stephen Watson Smith		2022-09-27
Willian Barry Thomas		2025-09-03

STOKESLEY METHODIST CIRCUIT

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Accounts

Trustees Annual Report Stokesley Methodist Circuit
Reg No 1147112
Stokesley Circuit Policy & Financial Review
Year ended 31st August 2025

Aims of the Circuit:

- To provide a vibrant Christian Witness across the Stokesley area
- To ensure and sustain the Circuits Viability and future
- Support the Churches which make up the Circuit
- Ensure that there is good financial management and safeguarding procedures in place for the benefit of its members and the general public.
- Reach out to the Community which we serve and make a difference to peoples lives.

Financial Review:

Policy:

- To ensure ministerial oversight and pastoral care of the five churches in the Circuit.
- To maintain a ministerial team and professional admin staff.
- The maintenance of Circuit manses and Chapel House. One of the Manses is rented out.

Financial Management

- Under Methodist Church Standing Orders the Circuit must meet its financial obligations in relation to the support of its ministers, the maintenance of its manses and support to the District.
- Each church shares the cost of running the Circuit and is the basis of each Church's Assessment.
- We maintain Circuit properties to a high standard. A major refurbishment of one of our manses again pushed up property costs. Over the last three years expenditure has been £107k

Key Financial indicators

- Total Income was £174k (85% of our operating income comes from Church assessments)

- Total Expenditure was £200k (69% of our operating expenditure is on stipends & salaries)
- Net Deficit was £25506.
- At an Operating Level, excluding Manses running costs and refurbishment, there was a surplus of £8k.
- Maintaining the Circuit's properties over the last four years has cost £127k which has had a major impact on funds.
- Total Funds were £156k.
- Endowments (restricted Funds) added £15k and Other Assets and Liabilities £9k.
- Overall it was difficult year for the Circuit and its Churches. The underlying trends are also of concern with Income static resulting in a further deficit.
- As a result of the refurbishment of properties we recorded deficits in the last two years which has resulted in a £67k reduction in Net Assets. A further deficit is expected in 2025/26.

Reserves Policy

- This document and accounts includes all funds held by the Circuit Meeting as charity Trustees.
- These relate to our general (unrestricted) funds which are freely available to be used for any or all the purpose of the Circuit.
- Our reserves policy is to hold six months expenditure. We continue to use CFB where it it will attract additional interest.
- The Circuit has sufficient funds to finance its future plans.

Future Plans

- Each Church and the Circuit continues to review its Mission & Vision to ensure that it has clear understanding as to how it intends to move forward.
- Churches are not seeing significant growth in members and this puts pressure on existing people and finances.
- We recognize that whilst the future holds challenges it also offers opportunity for growth. Our Mission & Vision objective is to be sustainable and to widen our appeal to both members and the wider community.
- The appointment of a professional Safeguarding officer last year has ensured we are fully compliant and safeguarding policies are central to all our activities.

- Further investment in management is planned in 2025/26 to support Churches and the Circuit to ensure all activates and buildings are compliant
- The circuit is committed to working towards Net Zero.

Designated Funds

The Charity Commission has agreed that it is appropriate for the Trustees to set a policy for the management of the Circuit Funds

John Howard Whitehead
Circuit Treasurer
March 2025

Superintendent Minister's Report

The period to August 2025 has been a challenging one for the Stokesley Circuit, in which we have recognized the need to think and act in new ways.

With one Minister taking extended medical leave, we have faced challenges in staffing which we have addressed in 2025/6 by the appointment of a Supernumerary Minister on a part time basis.

We are also looking at the possibility of a Methodist Deacon joining the Circuit for 2026/7, to encourage and develop our Community Outreach across the Circuit.

Our aims as a Circuit are above all rooted in our desire to share the Christian Faith with the communities we serve. We recognise that to do so, we need to ensure that we take seriously our responsibilities in terms of Safeguarding of Young People and Vulnerable Adults; the Health and Safety of our premises and activities; ensuring compliance with Financial Reporting, and other areas where we hold statutory responsibilities and an obligation to follow the policies and procedures of the Methodist Church.

Rev Rob Weir
March 2026

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Stokesley Methodist Circuit	Circuit
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2025**

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Ministers:

Rev. Andrew Robinson - Joint Superintendent
Rev. Robert Weir - Joint Superintendent

Circuit Stewards:

Steve Smith - Circuit Steward

Treasurer:

John Howard Whitehead

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS					
a2	Assessment/Share	128,672			128,672	128,672
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	7,035			7,035	8,359
a5	Grants	4,800			4,800	
a6	Other receipts	33,586			33,586	38,122
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	174,093			174,093 (a8)	175,153

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs	118,715			118,715	101,121
b3	Manse Costs	19,472			19,472	19,588
b4	Administration etc	5,668			5,668	8,044
b5	District Assessment	27,076			27,076	27,076
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments	28,668			28,668	60,561
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	199,599			199,599 (b9)	216,390

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	(25,506)		(25,506)	(41,237)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		181,626		181,626 (c6)	222,863
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	156,120		156,120	181,626
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	156,120		156,120 (c8)	181,626

SECTION D					
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)				

Name of Circuit

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

1147112

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 *J H Whitehead*

Date

18th March 2026

Name and address of treasurer John Howard Whitehead

..... 33 Skottowe Crescent, Great Ayton, North Yorkshire

TS9 6DS

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 18 th March 2026

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .. *R Weir*

Name of the Chair of the meeting Robert Weir

18th March 2026

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

Charity Number ... 1147112

Responsibilities and basis of report

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

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Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2025 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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Independent Examiner's Statement

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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 ... *PA Tranter*

Name of independent examiner
Paul Alistair Tranter

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner FCA (ICAEW)

Name of firm (where appropriate) Paul Tranter & Co

Address 31 High Street, Stokesley, North Yorkshire

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- To ensure ministerial oversight and pastoral care of the six churches in the Circuit.
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Financial Management

- Under Methodist Church Standing Orders the Circuit must meet its financial obligations in relation to the support of its ministers, the maintenance of its manses and support to the District.
- Each church shares the cost of running the Circuit and is the basis of each Church's Assessment.
- We maintain Circuit properties to a high standard. A major refurbishment of Chapel House cost £40k in the year
- Whilst recording a deficit of £41k the underlying trend excluding the refurbishment was at 'break even'

Key Financial indicators

- Total Income was £175153 (85% of our operating income comes from Church assessments)
- Total Expenditure was £216390 (65% of our operating expenditure is on stipends & salaries)

- Net Deficit was £41237
- At an Operating Level, excluding building refurbishment, there was a deficit of £1035.
- Total Funds were £181626
- Endowments (restricted Funds) were an additional £15184
- Other Assets & Liabilities were £9928
- Overall it was difficult year for the Circuit and its Churches. The underlying trends are also of concern with Income down 5% and expenditure up 14% in 2024.

Reserves Policy

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Future Plans

- Each Church and the Circuit continues to review its Mission & Vision to ensure that it has clear understanding as to how it intends to move forward.
- Churches are not seeing significant growth in members and this puts pressure on existing people and finances.
- We recognize that whilst the future holds challenges it also offers opportunity for growth. The objective to be sustainable and to widen its appeal to both members and the wider community.
- As part of our review we recognized the importance of Safeguarding and supporting Church representatives by appointing a Circuit Safeguarding Officer.

Designated Funds

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John Howard Whitehead

Circuit Treasurer

March 2025

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
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a2	Assessment/Share	128,672			128,672	140,140
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	8,359			8,359	4,118
a5	Grants					
a6	Other receipts	38,122			38,122	28,702
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	175,153			175,153 (a8)	172,960

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs	101,121			101,121	87,453
b3	Manse Costs	19,588			19,588	13,876
b4	Administration etc	8,044			8,044	8,084
b5	District Assessment	27,076			27,076	27,100
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments	60,561			60,561	17,926
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	216,390			216,390 (b9)	154,439

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	(41,237)		(41,237)	18,521
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year				222,863 (c6)	204,342
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	(41,237)		181,626	222,863
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	(41,237)		181,626 (c8)	222,863

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Declarations and Scrutiny

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12th March 2025

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- Each church shares the cost of running the Circuit and is the basis of each Church's Assessment.
- Although we make provision for maintenance of the Circuit properties, which cost £14k in the current year, this continues to put pressure on finances.

- Key Financial indicators
 - Total Income was £172960
 - Total Expenditure was £154439
 - Net Receipts were £18521
 - Total Funds were £222863
 - Endowments (restricted Funds) were an additional £14142
 - Other Assets & Liabilities were £13112
- Overall a successful year in which the Circuit added to its Reserves.

Reserves Policy

This document and accounts includes all funds held by the Circuit Meeting as charity Trustees.

These relate to our general (unrestricted) funds which are freely available to be used for any or all the purpose of the Circuit.

Our reserves policy is to hold one years expenditure, as recommended by the Charity Commission. We have increased our holding with CFB where it it will attract additional interest.

Future Plans

Each Church and the Circuit is undergoing a review of its Mission & Vision to ensure that it has clear understanding as to how it intends to move forward. We recognize that whilst the future holds challenges it also offers opportunity for growth.

The objective to be sustainable and to widen its appeal to both members and the general public.

Designated Funds

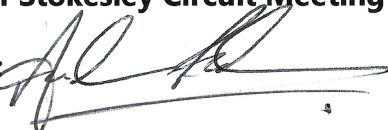
The Charity Commission has agreed that it is appropriate for the Trustees to set a policy for the management of the Circuit Funds

John Howard Whitehead
Treasurer

March 2024

Rev Andrew Robinson
Chair of Stokesley Circuit Meeting

Signed:



Date: March 13th 2024.

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS**

Stokesley	Circuit
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2023**

Darlington	District	Circuit no	13.5
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1147112

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

(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 Andrew Robinson
Rev Robert Weir

Circuit Stewards:

Brian Hull - Property
Steve Smith - Circuit Steward
Peter Jackson - Safeguarding
John Howard Whitehead - Treasurer

Treasurer:

John Howard Whitehead

SECTION A		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS					
a2	Assessment/Share	140,140			140,140	111,467
a3	Capital receipts					
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	3,568	500	50	4,118	705
a5	Grants					2,000
a6	Other receipts	28,702			28,702	25,833
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS	172,410	500	50	172,960 (a8)	140,005

SECTION B		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs	87,453			87,453	80,591
b3	Manse Costs	13,876			13,876	20,074
b4	Administration etc	7,608	472	4	8,084	4,407
b5	District Assessment	27,100			27,100	28,500
b6	Grants & donations					
b7						
b8	Other payments	17,926			17,926	10,545
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS	153,963	472	4	154,439 (b9)	144,117

SECTION C		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	18,447	28	46	18,521	(4,112)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	200,528	3,200	614	204,342 (c6)	208,454
c3	Sub total	218,975	3,228	660	222,863	204,342
c4	Transfers and adjustments	27		(27)		
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	219,002	3,228	633	222,863 (c8)	204,342 (c6)

SECTION D		Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
	Note	£	£	£	£	£
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				1,131	1,131
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations					
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations				1,131	
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)					1,131

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						
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)			(c7)	(c6)	(c8)
e10	172,960 (a8)	154,439 (b9)	18,521		204,342 (c6)	222,863 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT				204,342 (x)	222,863 (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		
f2	101,617	46,643
f3		
f4	98,911	172,359
f5	3,814	3,861
f6		
f7	204,342 (c6)	222,863 (c8)
f8	(e11)	(e12)
f9	204,342 (x)	222,863 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1	14767	14142
g2	1,110,000	1,110,000
g3	7,060	13,382
g4		
g5	8,358	1,030

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)

STOKESLEY CIRCUIT
NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 31 AUGUST 2023

	2023	2022
	£	£
1 STIPENDS AND ASSOCIATED COSTS		
Stipends	57271	54702
National Insurance	5477	5341
Pension Contributions	14582	13943
Travel	1263	1217
Telephone etc	223	119
Circuit Administrator	8637	5269
	<u>87453</u>	<u>80591</u>
	2023	2022
	£	£
2 MANSE COSTS		
Repairs	4722	11076
Council Tax	5567	5637
Water	1266	1362
Insurance	2321	1999
	<u>13876</u>	<u>20074</u>
	2023	2022
	£	£
3 ADMINISTRATION		
Telephones	2312	2066
Secretarial expenses	215	39
Quinquennial inspections	1980	293
Books etc	238	202
Others	1402	920
Website costs	490	412
Computer	971	0
	<u>7608</u>	<u>3932</u>
	2023	2022
	£	£
4 OTHER PAYMENTS		
Hutton Rudby HUB - expenditure	<u>17926</u>	<u>10545</u>
	2023	2022
	£	£
5 OTHER RECEIPTS		
Rents Received	15711	15288
Hutton Rudby Hub - Cost reimbursed	12991	10545
	<u>28702</u>	<u>25833</u>
6 SECTION G - LAND AND BUILDINGS		
This Includes 3 Manses and Chapel House. During the year two of these were occupied by Ministers Chapel House and one Manse were let out for the year		

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 *J. Whitehead* Date *5th March 2024*

Name and address of treasurer **John Howard Whitehead**
33 Skottowe Crescent, Great Ayton, North Yorkshire
..... Post Code..... **TS9 6DS**

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 . **13th March 2024**

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *[Signature]*

Name of the Chair of the meeting *Rev. A. Robinson* Date *13/3/2024*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Stokesley Circuit

Charity Number ... 1147112

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the **Year ended 31st August 2023**

Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages 1 to 6 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 REN SHAWCROSS

Name of independent examiner REN. SHAWCROSS

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

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 2 DEWON CRESC. SKEGTON. CLEVELAND

Post Code TS12 2BS

Date 5 March 2024

* delete or circle as appropriate

STOKESLEY METHODIST CIRCUIT

England & Wales - Charity number 1147112

Accounts

STOKESLEY CIRCUIT RESERVES POLICY & FINANCIAL REVIEW**Circuit Reserves Policy**

This document includes all funds held by the Circuit Meeting as charity trustees.

Our Reserves Policy relates to our general (unrestricted) funds which are freely available to be used for any or all of the purposes of the Circuit.

Other funds are also included for the sake of clarity and openness and to show that the Circuit has a policy for the management of all of its money not simply those which are defined as reserves.

Aims

Our aim is twofold:

(1) To secure and sustain the Circuit's viability and future.

(2) To give reassurance to the general public that the Circuit, which is a charity, intends to use all of the money coming into its care for the purposes of the charity.

Three Step Process**(1) Circuit Financial Policy**

Essentially, it provides for -

- (a) The ministerial oversight and pastoral care of the six local churches in the Circuit.
- (b) The support of a ministry team of two presbyter ministers, Youth Work employees and Admin staff.
- (c) The maintenance of the three Circuit manses and Chapel House. (The third manse is currently being rented out.)

(2) Financial Management

The Circuit Assessment is reviewed annually and covers the costs of 1 (a) and (b) above and is based on offers from each church towards a share in the total cost.

We make provision for our property maintenance programme by designating a total of £10000 per annum to maintain each property. Due to the foresight of those looking after the manses this has proved sufficient in most years with occasional large projects requiring extra funding.

The Circuit Fund (Unrestricted general fund)

Under Standing Orders the Circuit must meet its financial obligations in relation to the support of its ministers, the maintenance of the manses and the support of the District. The total cost for the last financial year was £126164. Our Reserves Policy is to aim to hold around One year's expenditure in hand, as recommended by the Charity Commission (most of this has been lodged with CFB for this purpose where it will attract interest)

Circuit Advance Fund (Restricted Fund) (Balance at year end £13736). This fund derives from sales of chapels and manses and is restricted by the Conference. This restriction is an internal regulation though the fund can be used for a variety of purposes.

(3) Designated Funds

The Charity Commission has agreed that it is appropriate for the trustees to set a policy for the management of the Circuit funds.

Malcolm Wilson

March 2023

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

Receipts & Payments Account
for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

FOR CHURCH COUNCIL USE ONLY

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

General Fund
Receipts & Payments Account
for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

	<u>2022</u>		<u>2021</u>	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Assessments		111,467		133,500
Bank interest		338		129
Circuit service	-		-	
Rent of Manses & Chapel House	15,288		20,520	
Sundry income	-		46	
	<hr/>	15,288	<hr/>	20,566
Income from endowments		22		15
Radio Leven – reimbursed expenses		10,545		1,014
General Purposes Grant		2,000		2,000
Bequest		-		13,336
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		139,660		170,560
Payments				
Stipends	73,986		37,832	
Ministers expenses	984		1,023	
Moving costs	-		3,691	
Local Preachers expenses	436		719	
	<hr/>	(75,406)	<hr/>	(43,265)
Manse repairs	11,076		30,396	
Council tax	5,637		2,668	
Water	1,278		478	
Insurance	1,999		1,857	
	<hr/>	(19,990)	<hr/>	(35,399)
Telephone	2,066		2,304	
Books etc	202		183	
Secretarial expenses	39		948	
Quinquennial	293		440	
Sundries	920		881	
Website costs	412		412	
Legal re Title Deeds	-		5,887	
	<hr/>	(3,932)	<hr/>	(11,055)
District Assessment		(28,500)		(31,932)
Youth Worker		-		-
Circuit Administrator		(5,269)		(8,487)
Grants to Churches				
Hutton Rudby		-		(750)
Radio Leven costs		(10,545)		(17,014)
Net Receipts (Payments) for the Year		<hr/>		<hr/>
		(3,982)		22,658
Cash at Bank at 31 August 2021		204,510		181,852
Cash at Bank at 31 August 2022		<hr/> <hr/>		<hr/> <hr/>
		200,528		204,510

Stokesley Methodist Circuit
Circuit Model Trust Fund
for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

	£	<u>2022</u>	£	<u>2021</u>	£
Receipts					
Dividends and interest			341		239
Payments					
Administration	48			31	
District Levy	424			398	
			(472)		(429)
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the Year			(131)		(190)
Bank Balance at 31 August 2021			3,331		3,521
Bank Balance at 31 August 2022			<u>3,200</u>		<u>3,331</u>
Investments					
At 31 August 2021			14,657		12,384
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value during the year			(921)		2,273
Market Value at 31 August 2022			<u>13,736</u>		<u>14,657</u>
Value of Circuit Model Trust					
At 31 August 2021			17,988		15,905
Net Receipts (payments)			(131)		(190)
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value			(921)		2,273
At 31 August 2022			<u>16,936</u>		<u>17,988</u>

Stokesley Methodist Circuit
Endowment Funds
for the Year Ended 31 August 2022

	<u>2022</u>	<u>2021</u>
	£	£
Receipts		
Dividends and interest	26	18
Payments		
Administration	3	3
Net Receipt for the Year	<u>23</u>	<u>15</u>
Income to General Fund	22	15
	<u>1</u>	<u>-</u>
Fund Balance at 31 August 2021	613	613
Fund Balance at 31 August 2022	<u><u>614</u></u>	<u><u>613</u></u>
Investments		
At 31 August 2021	1,097	934
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value during the year	(66)	163
Market Value at 31 August 2022	<u><u>1,031</u></u>	<u><u>1,097</u></u>
Value of Endowments		
At 31 August 2021	1,710	1,547
Net Receipts	1	-
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value	(66)	163
At 31 August 2022	<u><u>1,645</u></u>	<u><u>1,710</u></u>

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

Total Funds at 31 August 2022

	2022 £	2021 £
Bank Balances		
General Fund	201,659	205,641
Circuit Model Trust Fund	3,200	3,331
Endowments	614	613
	<u>205,473</u>	<u>209,585</u>
Investments		
Circuit Model Trust Fund	13,736	14,657
Endowments	1,031	1,097
	<u>14,767</u>	<u>15,754</u>
Manses & Chapel House at Insurance Valuation (see note 2)	<u>1,110,000</u>	<u>1,110,000</u>
Funds held for - Feed the Hungry	<u>1,131</u>	<u>1,131</u>

NOTE: Two of the Manses were occupied by a Minister. Chapel House and one Manse were let for the year or part of the year.

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

	2022 £	2021 £
Liabilities at 31 August 2022		
Church assessments in advance	8,358	21,152
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Prepaid Expenses		
Stipends	6,400	3,171
Insurance to 25 December 2022	660	618
	<hr/> 7,060 <hr/>	<hr/> 3,789 <hr/>

THE METHODIST CHURCH
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Stokesley	Circuit
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 AUGUST 2022

Darlington	District	Circuit no	13/5
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Ministers:

Rev. Andrew Robinson
Rev. Robert Weir

Circuit Stewards:

Dorothy Blakely
Katherine Atha

Treasurer:

Malcolm Wilson

SECTION A			Un - restricted Funds	Circuit Model Trust Fund	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
a1	RECEIPTS	Note	£	£	£	£	£
a2	Assessment/Share		111,467			111,467	133,500
a3	Capital receipts						
a4	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		338	341	26	705	386
a5	Grants	7	2,000			2,000	2,000
a6	Other receipts	5	25,833			25,833	34,916
a7	TOTAL RECEIPTS		139,638	341	26	140,005 (a8)	170,802

SECTION B							
b1	PAYMENTS						
b2	Stipends, salaries, NIC, Pension and travel costs	1	80,591			80,591	51,752
b3	Manse Costs	2	20,074			20,074	35,399
b4	Administration etc	3	3,932	472	3	4,407	11,487
b5	District Assessment		28,500			28,500	31,932
b6	Grants & donations	6	-			-	750
b7							
b8	Other payments	4	10,545			10,545	17,014
b9	TOTAL PAYMENTS		143,642	472	3	144,117 (b9)	148,334

SECTION C							
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a7-b9)	(4,004)	(131)	23	(4,112)	22,468
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		204,510	3,331	613	208,454 (c6)	185,986
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	200,506	3,200	636	204,342	208,454
c4	Transfers and adjustments		22		(22)	-(c7)	-
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	200,528	3,200	614	204,342 (c8)	208,454 (c6)

SECTION D						
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				1,131	1,131
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations				-	
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations					
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1 + d2 - d3)				1,131	1,131

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				(e14)	(e12)
e9	Circuit accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)		(a8)	(b9)	(e6)	(c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CIRCUIT			#REF!	(x)	(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 2022

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1		
f2	90,209	101,617
f3		
f4	114,301	98,911
f5	3,944	3,814
f6		
f7	208,454 (c6)	204,342 (c8)
f8		
f9	208,454 (x)	204,342 (y)

Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance totals above) (e12)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1	15,754	14,767
g2	1,110,000	1,110,000
g3	3,789	7,060
g4		
g5	21,152	8,358


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 2022 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 7/12/22

Name and address of treasurer MALCOLM WILSON, 1 BIRCH DRIVE
FACEBY, MIDDLESBROUGH Post Code TS9 7BT

Presentation to the Circuit meeting

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/will be* presented to the Circuit meeting held on

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting Mrs A. Robinson Date 8/3/23

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the Stokesley Circuit

Charity Number 1147112

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Stokesley Circuit for the year ended 31 August 2022 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.

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Circuit: **Stokesley No 13/5**

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.

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 REN SHAWCROSS

Name of independent examiner ROBERT EDWARD NEWLOVE SHAWCROSS

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

Name of firm (where appropriate) —

Address 2 DEVON CRESCENT

SKELTON, CLEVELAND Post Code TS12 2BS

Date 8 December 2022

* delete or circle as appropriate

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STOKESLEY CIRCUIT

NOTES TO THE ACCOUNTS 31 AUGUST 2022

1 STIPENDS and associated costs

	2022	2021
	£	£
Stipends	54,702	28,274
National Insurance	5,341	2,686
Pension Contributions	13,943	6,872
Travel	1,217	913
Telephone etc	119	120
Circuit administrator	5,269	8,487
Relocation costs	-	3,691
Online worship	-	709
	<u>80,591</u>	<u>51,752</u>

2 MANSE COSTS

	2022	2021
	£	£
Repairs	11,076	30,396
Council Tax	5,637	2,668
Water	1,362	478
Insurance	1,999	1,857
	<u>20,074</u>	<u>35,399</u>

3 ADMINISTRATION

	2022	2021
	£	£
Telephones	2,066	2,304
Secretarial expenses	39	948
Quinquennial inspections	293	440
Books etc	202	183
Others	920	881
Website costs	412	412
Title Deed registration	-	5,887
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d1	Balance brought forward from last year			1,131	2,377
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SECTION F
STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CIRCUIT - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2021

		OPENING BALANCES		CLOSING BALANCES	
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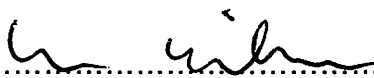
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STOKESLEY CIRCUIT

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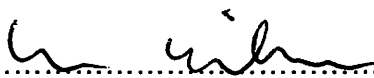
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Stokesley Methodist Circuit

Receipts and Payments Account
for the Year Ended 31 August 2020

FOR CHURCH COUNCIL USE ONLY

Stokesley Methodist Circuit

General Fund
Receipts and Payments Account
for the Year ended 31 August 2020

	<u>2020</u>		<u>2019</u>	
	£	£	£	£
Receipts				
Assessments		127,824		119,454
Bank interest		523		498
Circuit service	221		215	
Rent of Manses & Chapel House	11,623		9,907	
Sundry income	93		-	
Donation – Leaving Gift	2,060		250	
Action for Children - Collection	227		-	
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		14,224		10,372
Income from endowments		16		25
Grant for Radio Leven		16,000		-
General Purposes Grant		2,000		-
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		160,587		130,349
Payments				
Stipends	68,010		67,992	
Ministers expenses	1,702		3,127	
Local Preachers expenses	39		154	
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		(69,751)		(71,273)
Manse repairs	3,334		13,173	
Council tax	5,083		4,684	
Water	1,047		1,290	
Insurance	1,734		1,418	
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		(11,198)		(20,565)
Telephone	2,214		2,528	
Books etc	357		189	
Secretarial expenses	852		553	
Quinquennial	310		125	
Sundries	1,390		1,848	
Website costs	412		412	
Leaving gift	2,060		-	
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		(7,595)		(5,655)
District Assessment		(32,584)		(31,180)
Youth Worker		(5,062)		(7,248)
Circuit Administrator		(7,675)		(3,935)
Grants to Churches				
Great Ayton	-		(15,705)	
Hutton Rudby	(1,250)		(2,069)	
Seamer	-		(1,344)	
Donation – Action for Children	(277)		-	
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		(1,477)		(19,118)
Net Receipts (Payments) for the Year		<hr/>		<hr/>
		25,245		(28,625)
Cash at Bank at 31 August 2019		156,607		185,232
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		181,852		156,607

Stokesley Methodist Circuit
Circuit Model Trust Fund
for the Year Ended 31 August 2020

	£	<u>2020</u>	£	<u>2019</u>	£
Receipts					
Dividends and interest			279		405
Payments					
Administration	33			33	
District Levy	407			404	
			(440)		(437)
Net Receipts/(Payments) for the Year			(161)		(32)
Bank Balance at 31 August 2019			3,682		3,714
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Investments					
At 31 August 2019			12,607		12,452
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value during the year			(223)		155
Market Value at 31 August 2020			<u>12,384</u>		<u>12,607</u>
Value of Circuit Model Trust					
At 31 August 2019			16,289		16,166
Net Receipts			(161)		(32)
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value			(223)		155
At 31 August 2020			<u>15,905</u>		<u>16,289</u>

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Endowment Funds
for the Year Ended 31 August 2020

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
Receipts		
Dividends and interest	23	32
Payments		
Administration	3	3
Net Receipt for the Year	<u>20</u>	<u>29</u>
Income to General Fund	16	25
	<u>4</u>	<u>4</u>
Bank Balance at 31 August 2019	609	605
Bank Balance at 31 August 2020	<u><u>613</u></u>	<u><u>609</u></u>
Investments		
At 31 August 2019	950	939
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value during the year	(16)	11
Market Value at 31 August 2020	<u><u>934</u></u>	<u><u>950</u></u>
Value of Endowments		
At 31 August 2019	1,559	1,544
Net Receipts	4	4
Increase/(Decrease) in Market Value	(16)	11
At 31 August 2020	<u><u>1,547</u></u>	<u><u>1,559</u></u>

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Total Funds at 31 August 2020

	<u>2020</u> £	<u>2019</u> £
Bank Balances		
General Fund (Note 1)	166,983	156,607
Circuit Model Trust Fund	3,521	3,682
Endowments	613	609
	<u>171,117</u>	<u>160,898</u>
Investments		
Circuit Model Trust Fund	12,384	12,607
Endowments	934	950
	<u>13,318</u>	<u>13,557</u>
Manses & Chapel House at Insurance Valuation (see note 2)	<u>1,110,000</u>	<u>1,100,000</u>
Connexional Funds to pay over	-	1,827
Feed the Hungry	<u>1,131</u>	<u>550</u>

NOTE: 1 A grant of £16,000 was received towards Radio Leven's running costs. This is held on the General Fund at 31 August 2020.

2 Two of the Manses were occupied by Ministers. Chapel House and one Manse were let for the year.

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	<u>2020</u>	<u>2019</u>
	£	£
Liabilities at 31 August 2020		
Church assessments in advance	14,720	14,458
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Prepaid Expenses		
Stipends	3,134	5,865
Water to 31/03/21	610	750
Insurance to 25/12/20	570	470
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	4,314	7,085

STOKESLEY CIRCUIT RESERVES POLICY & FINANCIAL REVIEW**Circuit Reserves Policy**

This document includes all funds held by the Circuit Meeting as charity trustees.

Our Reserves Policy relates to our general (unrestricted) funds which are freely available to be used for any or all of the purposes of the Circuit.

Other funds are also included for the sake of clarity and openness and to show that the Circuit has a policy for the management of all of its money not simply those which are defined as reserves.

Aims

Our aim is twofold:

(1) To secure and sustain the Circuit's viability and future.

(2) To give reassurance to the general public that the Circuit, which is a charity, intends to use all of the money coming into its care for the purposes of the charity.

Three Step Process**(1) Circuit Financial Policy**

Essentially, it provides for -

- (a) The ministerial oversight and pastoral care of the six local churches in the Circuit.
- (b) The support of a ministry team of two presbyter ministers, Youth Work employees and Admin staff.
- (c) The maintenance of the three Circuit manses and Chapel House. (The third manse is currently being rented out.)

(2) Financial Management

The Circuit Assessment is reviewed annually and covers the costs of 1 (a) and (b) above and is based on offers from each church towards a share in the total cost.

We make provision for our property maintenance programme by designating a total of £10000 per annum to maintain each property. Due to the foresight of those looking after the manses this has proved sufficient in most years with occasional large projects requiring extra funding. Next year, with a change of minister, we have allocated £20000

The Circuit Fund (Unrestricted general fund)

Under Standing Orders the Circuit must meet its financial obligations in relation to the support of its ministers, the maintenance of the manses and the support of the District. The total cost for the last financial year was £133865. Our Reserves Policy is to aim to hold around six month's expenditure in hand, as recommended by the Charity Commission. (£70000 has been lodged with CFB for this purpose)

Circuit Advance Fund (Restricted Fund) (Balance at year end £12384). This fund derives from sales of chapels and manses and is restricted by the Conference. This restriction is an internal regulation though the fund can be used for a variety of purposes.

(3) Designated Funds

The Charity Commission has agreed that it is appropriate for the trustees to set a policy for the management of the Circuit funds.

Monies received from the sale of three churches has been used as follows; £70000 for our reserves policy, £50000 for contingencies and £94723 for church projects which are now complete. £16000 is held for Radio Leven and £2000 for a General Purposes grant.

Malcolm Wilson
March 2021