



Annual Report for Period 1st September 2022 to 31st August 2023

Charity Commission Registered Number **1166757**

You will find us on Front Street, Acomb, York postcode YO24 3BX

The **governing documents** of the Methodist Church are the Deed Of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976).

Section 4 Methodist Church Act 1976 states

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be Purposes 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 being a 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.*

The Mission Statement of Acomb Methodist Church

Our Church's calling is to encourage growth through:-

Worship, Learning and Caring, Service and Evangelism

Worship

- *To expand our provision of different worship styles in order to both meet the worshipping needs of our present congregation, but also to engage with those who are on the fringes or outside the church at present.*

Learning and Caring

- *Provide stepping stones for developing discipleship and spiritual exploration to enable people to grow in their faith.*
- *Provide particular opportunities for our young people to develop their own ministry and discipleship.*

Service

- *Supporting community development and action in our context*
- *Seek ways to reduce our environmental impact in tune with the connexional policy of 80% carbon reduction by 2050.*

Evangelism

- *Create opportunities to build relationships with our community*
- *Promote the things we do more clearly to the outside world.*
- *Provide opportunities to explore faith*

The Administration of Acomb Methodist Church

The Church is held on the 1976 Model Trust by the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes, and the Church Council act as Managing Trustees.

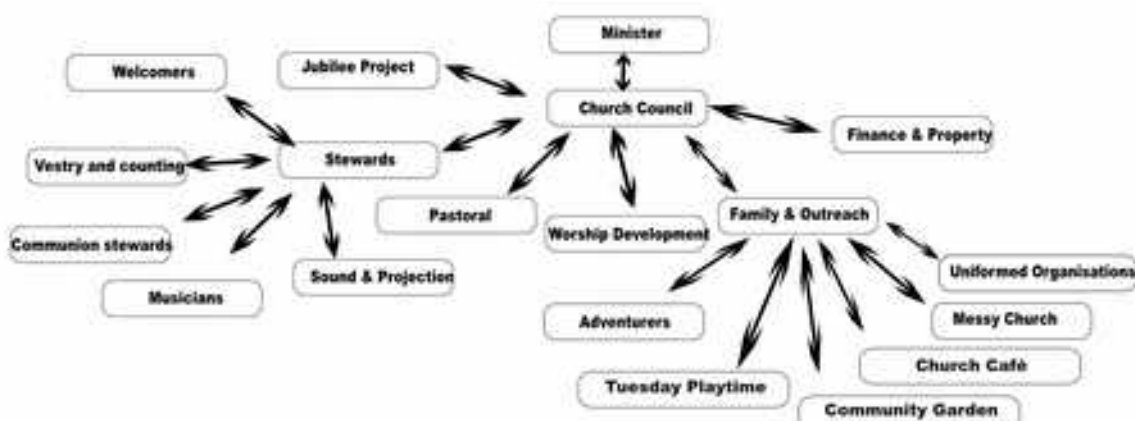
Managing Trustees at 31st August 2022

Name	Role(s)
Rev. Andy Lindley	Minister, Chairman
David Blamire	Steward, Communion Steward
Janet Holdaway	Steward
Robin Taylor	Treasurer
Gillian Mason	Steward, Property
Joan North	Pastoral
Olive Waterfield	Member
Heather Harding	Vestry Steward, Welcomer
Michael North	Property
Sheila Blamire	Communion Steward
Joan North	Member
Rob Harrison	AV for worship
Fran Taylor	Family & Outreach

The Church Council will appoint annually all Church Officers as determined from time to time by the Council whether on the nomination of a committee or otherwise; all such appointments being for the year commencing 1 May, apart from the Church Treasurer, whose appointment will commence on 1 September. The Council will also appoint the committees of the Church, again as from 1 May each year.

Church Council members (managing trustees) are appointed by the Annual Church meeting at which all church members are eligible to vote.

Organisation of the Church



Rev Andy – Overview of The Year

Considering the roller coaster of challenges that the pandemic threw at the church in the few years, with a major building scheme in progress and great uncertainty as to whether our usual rhythms of life, both as a church and busy community centre, would return, we find ourselves in a relatively healthy place, at this juncture.

I want to start by offering my grateful thanks to all those, who have stepped up, in so many ways, both big and small to restart and revitalise the various ministries we offer as a church. My special thanks to Louisa Taylor, who as Lay Pastor, now shoulders the lion's share of ministry leadership at both Acomb and now Southlands churches, since my new role as Superintendent of the Kairos circuit was established.

There is much to celebrate in each of the enclosed reports, and a real sense of connections and relationships being established between all those who engage in the varied activities and events that we host. It has also been wonderful to re-establish relationships with those who work for our local authority and with the other churches in Acomb after a period of enforced isolation. The latest such partnerships being the Thursday Takeaway, spearheaded ably by Fran Taylor, which has been funded by several partners, including our local authority, which sees volunteers drawn from across the local churches to serve those struggling to make ends meet. Equally exciting, however, is the energy released through the ACT (Acomb Churches Together) Eco group, which ran a wonderful fayre, and is now planning a conference in May. We have been spurred on, as a church, through signing up and attaining a Bronze Eco-church award and are planning the steps to move towards a Silver award. We were delighted to be chosen as part of a district bid for funding and to be awarded the funds to add solar panels to the garden studio project, which will offset its energy use. We are also thrilled that the Community Cinema was re-started, thanks to Andrew Wrenn and his team of volunteers. It is much appreciated by those who attend. Our Thursday community café acts as a linchpin for many of the community connections we have established and continue to develop and we are grateful to Sarah, our Barista for the last 10 months, and the dedicated team of volunteers that have created an oasis within our community. It is a place where friendships are formed, ideas birthed, and community is experienced and strengthened.

It is wonderful to report, that the Jubilee project, which was launched some 9 and a bit years ago, is complete. The last items, the refurbishment of the large hall, creation of the storage space and building of the garden studio have been completed. Already we have heard through the reports, how these changes have improved the experience and logistics of the activities we offer. Our property team should be rightly proud of this achievement, and we offer special thanks to them all, as well as our caretaker Janette, who managed to keep the building useable and accessible during a messy and much lengthier build than was envisaged. We are also grateful, amid this huge project that they've continued to chip away at a substantial list of repair and maintenance tasks.

There have been some challenging times recently, financially. During the lockdown, although we made use of the furlough scheme, the church did not enjoy the support that many community buildings enjoyed, and with some of our life going online, we were still employing our ministers. We are, as our treasurer explains, grateful for the support of those who maintained their giving, the circuit for offering us a reduction in our share of their costs, and the legacies gifted to us, which kept us afloat. We find ourselves in a relatively stable financial position, although with a substantial challenge facing us regarding the necessity of a new roof, and a list of aspirations on top of that to improve our eco-credentials, such as window replacements, and insulation.

Our vision day captured many of the untold stories, that take place on a daily basis in the life of the church. Sharing the stories of those who have joined our church family over the decades, was a truly humbling and moving experience. It helped us recognise the church we have become, and the charisms we offer, as a place of welcome for all ages, with a sense of family and a heart for our community. We also realise how we have been truly blessed by over 25 new friends joining us during both COVID and through the last year. We remain grateful for the small but dedicated tech team, who offer streaming of our services, which has helped us both maintain connection with those no longer able to attend in person, but also as a place many people first encounter and explore our services. Taken alongside a growing congregation, and a newfound enthusiasm for intergenerational worship, a new youth pastor on team (Amy), and a cohort of willing volunteers we have established a pattern of worship, that expresses our shared life in a wonderfully diverse way. It has also been wonderful to share in the Uniformed groups' acts of worship, as guests, rather than hosts and strengthen our connections with them.

We continue to deepen our spiritual lives through small groups, and have launched a new home group this year. We continue to partner, quite naturally, with Kairos, in offering some additional spiritual rhythms such as quiet days, online prayer times, our Northumbrian prayer, and various spiritually focussed activities in the garden and beyond. We are regular hosts to mental health counsellors in the log cabin, and we pray that the new studio will be a place of spiritual encounter, and retreat in the future, we've already welcomed a women's circle and a few Kairos gatherings.

We are not a huge congregation, and it is testament to people's passion and willingness to offer time and energy, and openness to work alongside others that we do what we do and have achieved all that we have. If we are brutally honest, many of us are ready for a quieter period to take stock, and simply enjoy the life of the church. We have to acknowledge, however, as we build new relationships, we do feel the call to respond, and we are a church that wishes to be agile in doing so, while being realistic about our limits.

We find ourselves, therefore, needing to consolidate, and protect all that we are doing, as we look to the future, such that we can maintain our rhythms, but with the spare energy to be responsive to a changing context. We now have people in several roles, who have served faithfully for many years, who are now looking to pass on the responsibility to others, and as such I would like us to explore both the opportunity for people to shadow those in such roles, in part to offer cover for illness, or holidays, but also to gain an experience of the breadth of the roles. We'd aim to do this, not with a view to taking them on wholesale in the near future, but to explore how we might delegate aspects of their roles to other people, to lighten the load. Hopefully with some revision the roles duly broken down, will become more manageable in a reality where very few people can offer substantial amounts of time and energy to any ministry, no matter how called or passionate they may be. Likewise, we may feel that some of the skills we need, are better served by people in paid roles (such as our Barista, Administrators and Caretakers, Lay Pastor and Minister). An example of this, is our pastoral visitors team, which will increasingly be focussing on those who are unable to attend the church, or require additional support, and alongside this we will be drawing on the natural network of pastoral support that exists between other members of the church family.

The Church (with a capital C) is rapidly changing, and as part of a network of churches in York and beyond, we increasingly will need to work together to manage the changing environment in which we find ourselves and so remaining open to partnerships and working together will be increasingly important in the years ahead. I hope, a time of rest, and consolidation, will enable us to play our part in that kingdom future.

Rev Andy

Garden Update – [REDACTED]



AGM 2nd April 2023

The garden at Acomb Methodist church is achieving its aims: now in its eighth year the garden has matured into the space really well and not only does it serve as a sanctuary for people, there are increased amounts of wildlife that call it their home.

Different elements within the areas are the bug hotel (soon to be renovated) kitchen garden with vegetables and fruit: raspberries, apples, gooseberries, and rhubarb. Herb beds, plenty of bulbs, two raised beds, a wild garden, four herbaceous beds, a lawned area for play and a living willow wigwam. Coming soon: a new pumpkin patch.

A good cohort of people from around the area regularly attend the monthly gardening mornings and many more from the wider community attend during daylight hours. They tell us that this fulfils a very necessary quiet space for them to sit and be tranquil or for their children to play in.

It is indeed a peaceful haven when you are immersed in it, and I believe it fulfils its original brief of prayerful productive, playful and colourful.

There is a healthy number of gardeners coming along now of differing skill sets and abilities; but all keen to learn and enjoy what is on offer, an example of this is that we are now harvesting our own willow and hazel to make small willow hurdles and our own hazel bean poles.

We have been used as a model for other churches to seek advice on, and going forward we are in a strong position -with the addition of the new bookable space- to make this a great destination for all.

My year as a Property Steward 2022-23. [REDACTED]. 2nd April 2023

I stepped into the role as chair of the Property and Finance committee last spring, I had no idea what the job would entail.

1 Chairing meetings, prepared agendas, prioritising jobs, delegating where possible.in consultation with the minister and other stewards.

1. Building alterations and additions: Arranged site meetings with contractors and architect. Visiting work in progress. Meeting with company reps, circuit staff, building inspectors and surveyors. (The stage in Room 4 has been removed, new storage provided and the area redecorated. A garden studio has been erected and is fully equipped for use. Property stewards are regularly engaged in decorating, DIY jobs and garden maintenance)

3 Regular user groups have been met with to share information and to reassign storage.

4 Unlocking and locking the building when regular caretakers or key holders are unavailable.

5 Meeting weekly with the caretaker/admin person to update activities and problems.

6 Sending letters/emails to initiate work/repairs to be done on the building.

7 Facilitating repairs, arrange times for work to begin, release payment.

8 Still to be done :

Annual property return for the Methodist Church.

Fire access survey; Fire safety certificate, Fire extinguisher maintenance and provision.

Annual Gas Boiler and heating annual certificate

Electrical safety certificate. PAT testing

Work to get the repairs and maintenance items completed as described in the Quinquennial inspection in order of listed priorities.

We have to be aware at all times that there are emergency situations that need instant action (toilet/plumbing, lighting and electrical failures etc.) and other long term issues that will need addressing as and when funds or grants are available: Roofs, windows, rainwater goods ongoing.

The work of the property steward is varied and never dull, the maintenance of our building depends on many people volunteering to do their part according to their gifts and abilities. It is a rewarding and sometimes frustrating task, for we all take a comfortable, clean and safe building for granted.

As a Christian church we see our work and witness in the world as important. We serve the wider community and enable many people to enjoy what we provide in our building. It is estimated that for every £1 in rent we receive, at least 12.80 pence (source not verified.) is used in running costs. Without the room rent we, as a church, would not be able to meet our commitments to the Methodist church and those who minister to us.

We owe a tremendous debt of gratitude to [REDACTED] who has been the face of Acomb Methodist Church for over 20 years. We will never know the extent to which she has nurtured and cared for everyone who steps over the threshold but we give thanks to her for her love and dedication. Thanks must also go to Mick who has been our Assistant Caretaker and steps up to take over more work on week days.

Please join me as we enter a new phase of life without a resident caretaker to maintain our church family home as a safe and welcoming place to belong. If you have gifts and experience in project oversight, maintenance or administration we would love to hear from you, every little helps!



37th York Rainbows – Sarah Stone

After our numbers going down during covid I am pleased to say we have had lots of new Rainbows join over the last year. We currently have 23 Girls.

The Rainbows have enjoyed earning lots of badges over the past few months. We have had 2 girls earn their bronze award and they also almost have their silver!

We also held a party with the Brownies and Guides to celebrate the Queen's jubilee which was lots of fun!

The Rainbows joined the brownies for a sleepover at wheldrake and also joined them for a day at our Christmas Brownie holiday.

We are looking forward to our coronation party, lots of summer activities, hopefully out and about as the weather allows and earning lots more badges!

We would like to thank church for their continued support and particularly for still being able to accommodate us during the building works in rooms 4 and 5!!

Sarah Stone and the Rainbow leaders



38th York Brownies – Sarah Stone

As with the Rainbows our Brownie numbers have really increased over the past year, we currently have 27 Brownies. We had a brownie earn her gold award last March and several are well on their way to their bronze and silver awards, they should all have at least their Bronze by the time we finish for summer!

We had a lovely time away with the Brownies last summer although the heat was definitely a challenge! We had to spend most of our time indoors with the curtains shut! There were though some very welcome water fights that took place!!!! The girls are enjoying earning badges which they are working really hard on but having fun at the same time. They have all just earned their 1st aid skill builder which I feel is a very important one for them to have worked on so they all now know basic 1st aid, how to get help and how to do CPR.

The girls enjoyed taking part in the harvest service, they also enjoyed carol singing at Gale Farm court just before Christmas and the girls and their families all really enjoyed the Christingle service, we had some lovely comments afterwards. (The Rainbows enjoyed being part of all of these too).

We have a district to Beamish and our summer holiday to look forward to as well as all our usual Wednesday night activities.

As with Rainbows the brownies and leaders would like to thank church for their continued support in accommodating us whilst the building work took place!

Sarah and the Brownie Leaders

Acomb popup café – Sarah Stone

I have been working at the café for 10 months and I have loved every minute of it.

It has been amazing watching how it has grown over the last 10 months.

It has been wonderful meeting so many different people.

There are several groups that meet in Acomb Methodist church buildings on a Friday morning and we have the pleasure of welcoming people from all the different groups.

‘Sing and sign’ and ‘rhythm time’ are baby/toddler and carer groups and a lot of the carers, mums, dads, grandmas etc pop into the café either before or after their classes sometimes before and after!!!

There is treasure chest which is a breast-feeding support group and we have many mums with their new born babies pop in.

There is also an Italian class, who without fail, pop in at 11am for their drinks and cakes in their break.

We now have mums and dads etc that used to go to the groups but no longer do, who still call in at the café to meet with friends for a drink and cake, which is lovely for us to be able to keep in touch with them.

We regularly have members of the congregation who come along to support us and to chat to people.

The other people that we have the pleasure of seeing regularly are members of the ‘craft and chat’ group, which has become more of a ‘chat’ group, although they do help with cutting out etc for things needed for church services. We also have [REDACTED] who are artists and they have been doing some lovely art work with this group of ladies and others.

The Wilberforce trust has been along to talk to people and let them know all about the work they do.

We have had local councilors hold meetings at the café, [REDACTED] from Acomb Explore Library come in to chat to people, the pottery lady who has been in several times and takes orders for wonderful personalised items that she produces, we also have adults with learning difficulties from ‘the bungalow’ at Gale farm court that come along with their support workers and recently we welcomed a class of children with autism from ‘Hobmoor Oaks’ school who come along every Friday afternoon.

[REDACTED] who is a community officer, and [REDACTED] who is local area coordinator for Westfield Ward are very regular visitors to the café.

As you can see we meet a very diverse group of people on a weekly basis, no two weeks are the same!

A little story to show what a difference the café can make to people. My first week at café last May a lady called [REDACTED] came along to craft and chat and I recognised her, she used to be the brownie leader for 38th York brownies when I first moved to York 29 years ago! She didn't recognise me but we had a great chat about all things brownies! Since then she always asks me how brownies are going and has given me many of her 'keepsakes including badges and tea towels! from her time in brownies! I remembered a photo and letter I had once found in the brownie cupboard of [REDACTED] and some other guiders but I thought I had thrown it away having no way of contacting [REDACTED] anymore. When we sorted the cupboards ready for the building work I found the letter and photo, I had kept it after all and was able to reunite it with it's owner the following Friday at café! [REDACTED] has, over the last few weeks, at café, been making Easter bunny stamped pictures for the Rainbows and Brownies to make Easter cards with. On Wednesday morning I rang her and asked her if she would like to come along to Brownies that evening to Help the girls make their cards, I picked her up and took her home. She had a wonderful evening with the girls, making cards and Easter boxes and watching them doing their egg hunt and we all enjoyed having her there, it was so lovely to be able to reunite her with the brownie unit she loved so much, if hadn't been for the café that would never of happened!! She hopes to visit again very soon.

The café is made up of an amazing team some of whom I have mentioned, but one other person whom I have to mention and say a huge thank you to is [REDACTED] who keeps us supplied with delicious home baking every week of which chocolate crunch is everyone's absolute favourite, so thank you Joan.

We would welcome anyone else who could offer to do some baking for us as recently what myself and Joan bake has been selling out fast!!!!

I hope the café continues with such success and I hope the day will come that we can open more than one day a week.

Sarah Stone



Tuesday Playtime – Sarah Stone

TUESDAY PLAYTIME

Tuesday Playtime parent/carer and baby/toddler group continues to be a very successful group.

We have been blessed this year by more volunteers joining our team. The team now consists of myself, Janet, Lizzie, Jean, Amanda, Judith, Amy and Sue and not forgetting Russell! which is wonderful and we now have plenty of cover if for any reason one or more of us can't make it.

We currently have 46 families on our register. Our average attendance over the last half term has been 28 Adults and 36 children each week.

We have lots of grandparents, mums, dads, childminders that come along and we get such lovely comments, many saying it's the nicest group they have been to and how friendly everyone is.

We have had parents/carers that we have supported through some difficult times which they have very much appreciated

We still work to a theme each week and the children continue to enjoy many varied activities and toys. They still make their own snacks most weeks to tie in with the theme for instance they cut bunnies out of cheese slices to put on cream crackers for our Chinese new year-year of the rabbit theme!

We get messy with paint, glue, playdough, rice, cereal and water to name but a few.

We always end with a singing session, which the children and carers really enjoy.

We had a jubilee party, Christmas party and a nativity service all of which were enjoyed by all and look forward to our coronation party coming up very soon.

Russell said I have to mention how much easier setting up and clearing away it is now with the new storage areas, we are very grateful. We do miss a clock on the wall!!!!

We are, I think!, looking forward to cleaning the ride on toys next week and getting them put away for use in the garden when the weather allows!

We love the summer months being out in the garden under gazebos with paddling pools and sand, roll on summer!

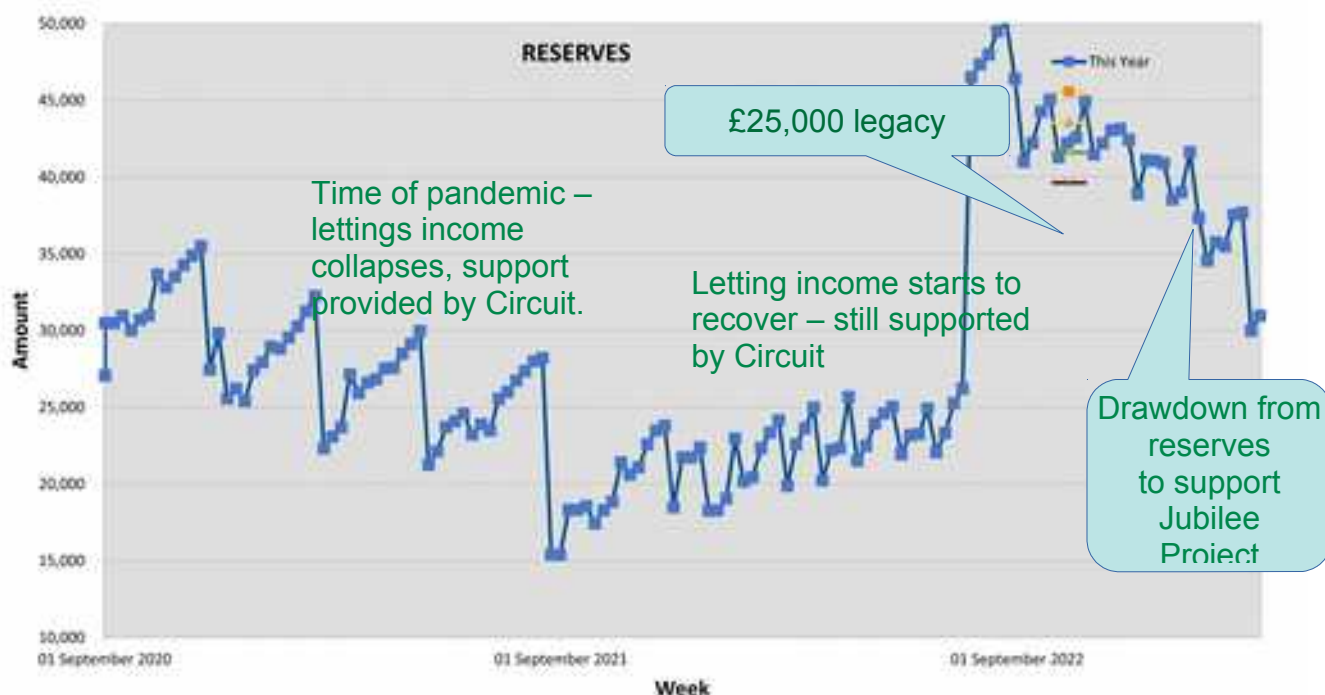
The group gives us, as volunteers, many chances to talk to people and let them know about other events happening in church.

We give thanks to church for the use of the rooms, the new storage area and the continued support you give to the group.

Sarah Stone

Finance Report – Robin Taylor

Finance Report to ACM April 2023



Three Year Reserves Tracking

Notes:

Usually I report on how we are doing against budget and the general state of the finances to the ACM. This year I have added the reserves tracking diagram to that because a snapshot of the budget does not tell the whole picture. The budget represents our receipts and payment for year to date for spending from the General fund – day to day stuff. It does not tell us about the effect of reserved projects and other external effects.

So this year we are holding our own on budget with Circuit help again. Lettings continue to recover and there is an order book of about £36,000 which if we realise that this year would mean a comfortable excess on budget at end of financial year (end of August).

As the reserves diagram above shows there has been an overspend on the Jubilee Project which depresses reserves considerably. The actual overspend is £11,816 on total spend for the project of £324,160 over the several years it has been running or £115,486 for this last phase.

Again referring to the reserves diagram we can see that we should continue to praise God for providing when we needed it and to bless the memory of Kathleen for the £25,000 legacy which buffered our accounts at exactly the right time to counter the project overspend. It is also worth remembering how concerning the financial situation was at the height of the pandemic when the Circuit support and then the recovery of lettings money pulled us back from the brink.

Looking forward there is reason to be optimistic that we can continue to grow lettings income as the Garden Studio is now available and advertised on our website. It may be that we can realize income from the caretakers bungalow at the rear of church in the fullness of time but that still needs to be scoped out. We have contracted Linsay as an administrator for our church and she will be key in streamlining and carrying forward the growth of lettings income.

Of course there are numerous challenges for the finances too. We know that the church roof requires major expenditure at some point. There will be significant costs in developing the bungalow to be an income generator. We will need to spend more on caretaking when we no longer have a live in caretaker and there will be infrastructure costs associated with different ways of working. Possibly the biggest challenge is the lack of people to focus on these issues and drive through solutions and Gillian will probably speak to part of that in her report.

Generally we are in a position to be cautiously optimistic going ahead if we rise to the challenges facing us.

SECTION A			Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
			£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		34,682	850	35,532	37,074
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		113		113	4
a4	Lettings		42,634		42,634	27,225
a5	Other receipts		21,061	47,977	69,038	81,310
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		98,490	48,827	147,317 (a7)	145,613

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		38,498		38,498	32,102
b3	Donations		66	140	206	60
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		3,748	7,418	11,166	4,407
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		12,781		12,781	7,375
b6					0	0
b7	Other payments		22,554	75,410	97,964	70,980
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		77,647	82,968	160,615 (b9)	114,924

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	20,843	(34,141)	(13,298)	30,689
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		41,011	33,418	74,429 (c6)	43,740
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	61,854	(723)	61,131	74,429
c4	Transfers and adjustments		(16,815)	16,815	0 (c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	45,039	16,092	61,131 (c8)	74,429 (c6)

SECTION D				
FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS				
d	(these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)		£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		1,297	1,076
d2	Offerings/Gifts – received for external organisations		1,736	2,671
d3	Offerings/Gifts – passed to external organisations		1,476	2,450
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)		1,557	1,297

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 2023 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
e1			0			0
e2			0			0
e3			0			0
e4			0			0
e5			0			0
e6			0			0
e7			0			0
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	0	0	0	0	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	147,317 (a7)	160,615 (b9)	(13,298)	(c7)	74,429 (c6)	61,131 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	147,317	160,615	(13,298)	0	74,429 (x)	61,131 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2023

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	74,169	60,871
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	0	0
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	260	260
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	74,429 (c6)	61,131 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	0 (e11)	0 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	74,429 (x)	61,131 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2022	At 31 August 2023
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	3,613,310	4,126,368
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)

Name of Church No.....

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

Signature of treasurer *RT* Date *30/10/2022*
Name and address of treasurer *R. TAYLOR - 9 OTTERWOOD BANK*
..... *YORK* Post Code *YO24 3SS*

Presentation to the Church trustees

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

Signature of the Chair of the meeting *AJ Lindley*
Name of the Chair of the meeting *AJ LINDLEY* Date *6/11/22*

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

ACOMB.....METHODIST.....Church

Robin Taylor

Charity Number *1146157*

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the *ACOMB METHODIST* Church for the year-ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages *2* 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.

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Name of Church ACOMB METHODIST No 1166757

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 E. E. Hannah

Name of independent examiner EILEEN ELIZABETH HANNAH

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Date 28th October 2022

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