

Craven Methodist Church

Annual Report for the Year ended 31 August 2022

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Craven Methodist Church was formed on 1st September 2021 when five previously separate Methodist Churches joined together under the trusteeship of Craven Methodist Church Council, the successor body to the five former Church Councils. One of the former churches, Silsden Methodist Church, was already a registered charity (number 1167897). After Craven Methodist Church was formed the Charity Commission allowed this Registered Charity's name to be changed from Silsden to Craven. The charitable aims and governing document remain the same, as they are for all Methodist Churches. The different chapels within Craven Methodist Church continue to have their own worshipping communities, but through regular shared services and activities the identity, mission and fellowship of Craven Methodist Church continue to grow.

Charity Registration Number: 1167897

Craven Methodist Church was registered with the Charity Commission as Silsden Methodist Church on 28th June 2016.

Church Office Address: Craven Methodist Church
c/o Silsden Methodist Church
80 Kirkgate
Silsden
Keighley
BD20 0PA

Trustees

The Church Council members are the Trustees of the Charity:

Minister and Chair: Rev Clare Stainsby

Secretary: Anne Pearson

Treasurer: David Ayrton

Safeguarding Officer: Janet Clark

Chapel Representatives

Eastburn: Jean Ainsworth
Rev Jennifer Lunn
Christine Smith
Roger Smith

Silsden: Claire Corp
Sarah Halstead
Tim Sharp
Joan Whitfield

St Andrew's Cowling: Philip Boocock
Maurice Benson
Tony Denning

St Peter's Cross Hills: Phil Corp
Monica Dobson
Graham Sheard

Steeton: Julie Eccleshare

Sheila Gillett
Christine Hambley
Joanne Stokes

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

The Governing Document:	Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
Constituted:	Act of Parliament
Selection of Trustees:	Appointed by existing trustees (Craven Church Council) The minister is ex officio a trustee.
Structure:	Part of Airedale Methodist Circuit, which is part of the Yorkshire West District of the Methodist Church, which in turn is accountable to the Methodist Conference
Decision Making:	Craven Methodist Church Council is the decision-making body responsible for the charity. It meets in the autumn and spring and as necessary at other times to guide the mission and business of the Church.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives:

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 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.

Public Benefit:

The Trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. Craven Methodist Church carries out a range of activities in pursuance of its mission. The Trustees consider that these activities, summarised below, provide benefit to those who are members of the Circuit through the local Methodist churches and to the wider community.

ACHIEVEMENTS OF THE YEAR

Worship, pastoral care and mission activities were able to take place in person again as the challenges of the coronavirus pandemic began to subside. They were supplemented by printed and online service options and telephone conversations for those that needed them.

Regular worship services were held in each of the five chapels, with monthly shared services for the whole Church to come together. These offered vibrant and joyful opportunities to share faith and develop closer relations. People were encouraged to join in events in each other's chapels, including the full programme of activities during Holy Week and Easter, and youth and children's activities.

Outreach activities included regular coffee mornings at Cross Hills and Eastburn, the New2U second-hand shop at St Andrew's Cowling, a Proms on the Farm event in Silsden as well as regular parent and toddler and social groups, and a Fashion Show at Steeton.

Rev Clare Stainsby was welcomed as the Church's minister from 1st September 2021. She worked with the officers and members of the Church Council to guide the new Church forwards and consider its key priorities in terms of where God was leading them. Chapels were encouraged to think about their health and sustainability as worshipping communities and there was recognition of the challenges of looking after five sets of buildings and finding sufficient volunteers for key roles.

Following much prayer and reflection, the decision was taken after the year-end to apply for permission to cease worship at St Andrew's in Cowling, while at the same time exploring new opportunities for mission and outreach within the village, working together with others.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

The Statement of Financial Activities shows the total reserves at 31 August 2022 stood at £192,789 (compared with a starting balance of £187,159 on 1st September 2021), of which £14,146 were restricted for internal organisations that report to Church Council. Total Income for the year to 31 August 2022 was £170,646 (compared with £125,110 for the five separate chapels in the previous year) of which £3,847 related to internal organisations. Expenditure for the same period was £165,016 (comparative £134,509 as above) of which £9,324 was for internal organisations.

Overall the Church's finances have remained satisfactory and income and expenditure have both increased as activities have resumed to more like what they had been before the coronavirus pandemic. The Church is very grateful for the continued faithful and generous giving of its members and friends.

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

CRAVEN METHODIST

Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2022

AIREDALE	Circuit	Circuit no.	27/31
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1167897

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)

Minister:

Rev Clare Stainsby

Church Stewards:

Janet Clark

Joanna Stokes

Anne Pearson

Jean Ainsworth

Phil Corp

Treasurer:

David Ayrton

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	89,847		89,847	93,786
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	494		494	316
a4	Lettings	31,264		31,264	12,428
	adj to balance	1,885		1,885	
a5	Other receipts	43,309		43,309	16,736
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	166,799		166,799 (a7)	123,266

SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	77,952		77,952	76,128
b3	Donations	2,640		2,640	7,787
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	14,292		14,292	17,416
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	24,289		24,289	19,140
b7	Other payments	36,519		36,519	12,621
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	155,692		155,692 (b9)	133,092

SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	11,107	11,107	(9,826)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		167,536	167,536 (c6)	177,362
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	178,643	178,643	167,536
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	178,643	178,643 (c8)	167,536 (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		333		724
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		12,161		8,933
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		11,945		9,324
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	549		333

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 2022 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	Open Circle		144	(144)		144	
e2	Network	217	300	(83)		416	333
e3	Awesome Kids		137	(137)		137	
e4	Junior Church	5	3,490	(3,485)		3,485	
e5	Farnhill		1,254	(1,254)		1,254	
	Mainly Men	336	261	75			75
e6	Amnesty International	925	965	(40)		670	630
e7	Community Care Fund	2,364	2,773	(409)		13,517	13,108
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	3,847	9,324	(5,477)		19,623 (e11)	14,146 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	166,799 (a7)	155,692 (b9)	11,107	(c7)	167,536 (c6)	178,643 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	170,646	165,016	5,630		187,159 (x)	192,789 (y)
		TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

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if necessary and bring the
totals forward

SECTION F**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES****CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022**

		OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1	Cash in hand	210	139
f2	Bank Current Account	49,299	49,508
f3	Bank Deposit Account	11,203	1,282
f4	Central Finance Board	30,715	42,598
f5	Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	69,576	69,665
f6	Other funds	9,882	15,451
f7	SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	167,536 (c6)	178,643 (c8)
f8	Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	19,623 (e11)	14,146 (e12)
f9	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	187,159 (x)	192,789 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

		At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1	Investments (include Endowments)	6,100	5,334
g2	Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		
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 CRAVEN METHODIST

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

Date

9/6/23

Name and address of treasurer

David Ayrton

6 Waterside Silsden

BD20 0LQ

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 12/6/23.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting

Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev. Clive Stansby

Date

12.6.23

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

..... Craven Methodist

Charity Number . 1167897

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Craven Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2022 set out on pages ... to As the Church's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ('the Act').

I report in respect of my examination of the Church's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and, in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church CRAVEN METHODIST

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 *Edwin Tate*

Name of independent examiner Edwin Tate

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner N/A

Name of firm (where appropriate) N/A

Address 48 Princes Drive,

..... Skipton Post Code BD23 1HL

Date 9/6/2023

* delete or circle as appropriate