



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

From	Period start date			To	Period end date		
	01	09	2022		31	08	2023

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Wesley Centre	
Oxford Street	
Harrogate	
Postcode	HG1 1PP

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Eleanor Borkett			
2	Benjamin Clowes	Chair		
3	Trevor Dixon			
4	Michael Greenberg			
5	Donald Rolls			
6	Geoffrey Runcorn			
7	Leslie Sudron			
8	Lesley Taylor			
9	Edward Walton	Treasurer		
10	Victoria Wheatley			
11	Judith Yeats	Secretary		
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20				

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year
Trustees For Methodist Church Purposes	

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document
(eg. trust deed, constitution)

The Methodist Church is constituted by an Act of Parliament

How the charity is constituted
(eg. trust, association, company)

Governing documents are the Deed of Union 1932 and the Methodist Church Act 1976

Trustee selection methods
(eg. appointed by, elected by)

Appointed by The Nidd Valley Methodist Circuit Meeting

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

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Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the Deed of Union the advancement of:

- The Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of The Methodist Church.
- Any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, District, Circuit, local or other organisation of the Methodist Church.
- 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.

Wesley Centre has a significant and important part to play in the ministry and mission of the Christian presence in the town centre of Harrogate. It provides a base from which Christian and community groups and charities function. These include the Wesley Chapel Methodist congregation, Harrogate Homeless Project, and Wesley Concerts, as well as good working relationships with groups such as Supporting Older People, Mencap and Harrogate International Festival. We also enable other local charities to raise funds through Saturday coffee mornings.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grantmaking;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

Section E

Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

Our aim is to hold sufficient reserves to ensure that we can continue to cover routine expenditure should there be a major loss of income or unexpected expenditure. The key vulnerability in this respect is that approximately 40% of our income comes from one tenancy. The current reserve is considered adequate but needs to be reviewed regularly, if for example, any further major repair work on any of our buildings is required. Other sources of funding are being explored..

Details of any funds materially in deficit**Further financial review details (Optional information)**

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information**Section G Declaration**

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)

Full name(s)

Edward Walton	Benjamin Paul Clowes
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Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)

Treasurer	Chair
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Date

25 March 2024

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
WESLEY CENTRE, HARROGATE
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2023**

Nidd Valley Circuit	Circuit no:	29/26
Charity Registration number:		1168825

Ministers:

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Trustees

Eleanor Borkett,	Rev Benjamin Clowes,
Rev Trevor Dixon,	Mike Greenberg,
Donald Rolls,	Geoff Runcorn
Leslie Sudron,	Rev Lesley Taylor,
Edward Walton,	Vicki Wheatley,
Judith Yeats	

Treasurer:

Edward Walton

Wesley Centre, Harrogate

Receipts & Payments for the 12 months to 31 August 2023

	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	Totals this year to date £	Previous year totals £
Receipts				
Donations and Tax recoverable	0		0	0
Interest and Investment Income	608		608	47
Lettings	83,295		83,295	92,804
Other receipts	0		0	0
Internal Organisations		24,747	24,747	34,912
Total Receipts	83,903	24,747	108,650	127,763
Payments				
Circuit Assessment	18,000		18,000	16,980
Grants & Donations	100		100	0
Repairs and Maintenance	59,295		59,295	38,470
Insurance, Utilities etc	22,374		22,374	21,832
Other expenditure	739		739	3,169
Administration	4,913		4,913	8,438
Internal Organisations		21,151	21,151	24,376
Total Payments	105,421	21,151	126,572	113,265
Net Receipts & Payments	-21,519	3,596	-17,922	14,497
Transfers & Adjustments	4,500	-4,500	0	0
Net	-17,019	-904	-17,922	14,497
Total funds brought forward	61,170	18,004	79,174	64,677
Total funds c/f	44,151	17,100	61,252	79,174

For Information Only: Money Received and Passed On To External Organisations

	This Year £	Last Year £
Balance brought forward	15	15
Collections for External Organisations	0	0
Payments to External Organisations	0	0
Balance still to be paid	15	15

Wesley Centre, Harrogate

Summary of Internal Organisations reporting to the Management Committee

	Receipts £	Payments £	Net Receipts/ Payments £	Transfers & Adjustments £	Opening Balances £	Closing Balances £	Including cash £
Events Project	24,747 0	21,151 0	3,596 0	-4,500 0	18,004 0	17,100 0	100
Total	24,747	21,151	3,596	-4,500	18,004	17,100	100
General Centre Account	83,903	105,421	-21,518	4,500	61,170	44,152	
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Statement of Assets & Liabilities

Cash Funds

	Opening Balances £	Closing Balances £
Cash in hand	100	100
Bank current accounts	74,568	56,488
Central Finance Board	4,521	4,678
TMCP	0	0
Total Cash Funds held by the Centre	79,189	61,267

Other Assets & Liabilities

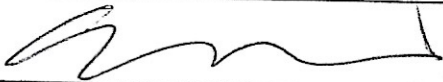
	Opening Balances	Closing Balances
Investments	0	0
Land & Buildings	400,000	400,000
Other Assets	0	0
Loans	0	0
Other Liabilities	-15	-15

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Wesley Centre and that they include all funds under the control of the Management Committee

Signature of
Treasurer



Date

15.11.2023

Name

Edward Walton

Address


4 Stockwell Avenue, Knaresborough HG5 0LA

Presentation to the Management Committee for approval

I confirm that the Accounts have been presented to the Management Committee on and were approved.

13/11/23

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Benjamin Clowes

Date

19/12/23

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Wesley Centre, Harrogate

Church

This Report is on the Centre Accounts for the year ended 31st August under Section 43 of the Charities Act 1993.

2023

carried out

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

As Trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Charity's Trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under Section 43(2) of the Charities Act 1993 (the 1993 Act) and that an independent examination is needed

It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 43 and section 44(1) of the Charities Act 1993;
- to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 43(7)(b) of the 1993 act; and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 41 of the 1993 Act and Section 44 (1)(a) of the 2005 Act and Regulation 4 of the 2006 Accounts Regulations;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the 1993 Act and Section 44(1)(9b) of the 2005 Act and Regulation (of the 2006 Regulations)

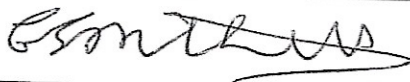
have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Name

Eric Mitchell

Signature



Any Relevant Professional qualification or body

Address

Highfield, Yew Tree Lane, Harrogate HG2 9LA

Date

15/11/23

RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of

WESLEY CENTRE HARROGATE TRUSTEES

(*Church Council/ Circuit Meeting/District)

To

NIDD VALLEY CIRCUIT MEETING

(*Circuit Meeting/District)

We submit our annual report in accordance with the requirements of the Methodist Conference and the Charity Commission guidance in CC19.

- (i) The trustees have established their mission aims taking into account all of the resources available in terms of people, property and money
- (ii) Mission initiatives/projects have been costed or estimates made of projected future costs which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Report/s

- (iii) We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is set out overleaf and is recorded in the trustees' minutes and our Annual Report

- (iv) We recognise the need to be accountable as charity trustees for all the money which comes into our hands and will provide further information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion

- (v) Our Report is attached overleaf

* please delete as appropriate

To be completed by Receiving Body

The

Nidd Valley Methodist Circuit

*Circuit Meeting/District received the RESERVES POLICY of

Wesley Centre Harrogate

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Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees

YES ☐ / NO ☐

Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees

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*Circuit/District

Signatures

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Date.....

RESERVES POLICY of

WESLEY CENTRE HARROGATE

(*Church Council ☐/Circuit Meeting ☐/District ☐)

1. General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/2023

£44,151

2. Restricted Funds held "

£17,100

3. Endowment Funds held "

£Nil

4. Reserves policy for General Funds

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5. Policy for Restricted Funds


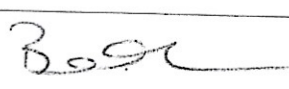
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This Reserves Policy has been approved by

Wesley Centre Harrogate Trustees

(*Church Council ☐/Circuit Meeting ☐/District ☐)

Treasurer	Trustee
Full name Edward Walton	Full Name Benjamin Paul Clowes
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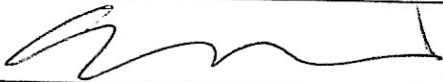
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