

## **Bedale & District Methodist Church**

### **Trustees Annual Report for Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022**

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#### **Introduction**

Bedale & District Methodist Church was created in September 2015, aiming to serve the communities of Bedale, Aiskew and surrounding villages and farms by offering God's love and pastoral care.

#### **Aims and organisation**

Bedale & District Methodist Church aims to become a source of hope and encouragement to all those living in Bedale and surrounding villages by offering opportunities to know the love of God through varied worship, relevant teaching and learning and to committed service in the community and in the world.

The Church Council, working alongside the Minister for Pastoral Care, act as the Managing Trustees and meet at least 3 times a year to oversee the work and mission of the church. There are sub-groups that concentrate on particular areas: these are Stewards, Finance, Property, Worship & Prayer, Pastoral and Display.

#### **Review of the Year**

Following the lifting of restrictions due to the Coronavirus epidemic, it was good to offer in-person activities and worship in the building once more. Some of the congregation continued to be cautious over mixing, so the on-line services and written ones enabled them to still feel part of the church family.

The church did open the building again to the wider community, so lettings increased over the year. Currently Yoga, Pilates, Ukulele and a Craft group meet on a regular basis, and church activities restarted - weekly coffee mornings, monthly lunches and Arts & Craft group. Three new initiatives were also implemented. Sage & Time is a short act of worship with craft activities and refreshments, ideal for those who find normal worship difficult to access. Tuesday Open Doors began as a time for the church to be open for private prayer with a short time of led worship, but also an opportunity to seek friendship, chat and pastoral care. Several people have found solace here, and it is now offered as a warm space on Tuesday morning for people to meet and chat over refreshments. Our third activity was Lego Journeys, an opportunity for young families to learn about Bible Stories by building scenes and models to reflect their learning.

The church members continued to be generous in their support of charities. Hambleton Foodbank received £241, Ukraine Appeal £1291, Action for Children £247 and Compassion UK £311. The church continued to support the Methodist Connexional charities with financial gifts too.

Financially, the church was affected by the increase in fuel costs, just as all families and businesses have been in 2022, so an appeal amongst members was organised to help with cash flow in the short term. By the end of the year the finances were in a more healthier position, although the budget forecast does show a shortfall for the trustees to be aware of. One special purchase was the new font to match our pulpit and Altar table, arriving just in time for the first Baptism Service since Covid.

During the year the church welcomed the members of Finghall Methodist Church as a Class, and will support them in maintaining a presence within their village community.

## **Moving Forward**

Rev Gareth Baron is hoping to take Lego Journeys into school this year, so the District Grant awarded will be spent on new packs of Lego to allow that to proceed.

Open Doors and Sage & Time will be advertised more widely and a couple of members are planning to support the Local Pastor to allow visits into Care Homes to restart again.

Live-streaming services had been tried during the past year and it is planned to develop this in the future with better equipment, in conjunction with grant applications for AV installation in the church hall which was unable to happen during the redevelopment.

## THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

**BEDALE & DISTRICT METHODIST**

**Church**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED**

**31 August 2022**

<b>RIPON &amp; LOWER DALES</b>	<b>Circuit</b>	<b>Circuit no.</b>	<b>29/24</b>
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**Rev Gareth Baron**

**Church Stewards:**

**Clare Dalton**

**Amanda Milner**

**Lister Baynes**

**Jean Coates**

**Alyson Whitehouse**

**Treasurer:**

**Kathy Lowrie**

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	25,804		25,804	30,878
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income				34
a4	Lettings	2,665		2,665	50
a5	Other receipts	10,725	6,383	17,108	31,269
a6	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>39,194</b>	<b>6,383</b>	<b>45,577 (a7)</b>	<b>62,231</b>

SECTION B		Note 1 : Circuit Grant for Solar Panels			
b1	<b>PAYMENTS</b>				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	22,725		22,725	26,513
b3	Donations	450		450	2,750
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	2,376		2,376	1,053
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	5,875		5,875	5,773
b6					23,218
b7	Other payments	6,909	6,270	13,179	3,023
b8	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>	<b>38,335</b>	<b>6,270</b>	<b>44,605 (b9)</b>	<b>62,330</b>

SECTION C					
c1	<b>NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR</b>	(a6-b8)	859	113	972 (99)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		15,183		15,183 (c6)
c3	<b>Sub total</b>	(c1+c2)	16,042	113	16,155 15,183
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	<b>TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR</b>	(c3+c4)	<b>16,042</b>	<b>113</b>	<b>16,155 (c8) 15,183 (c6)</b>

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	70	
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations	871	1,604
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	972	1,534
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID (d1+d2-d3)	(31)	70



**SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL**

**SECTION E**

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Wycar Arts & Crafts	180	150	30		58	88
e2 Thursday Circle		134	(134)		134	
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	180	284	(104)		192 (e11)	88 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	45,577 (a7)	44,605 (b9)	972	(c7)	15,183 (c6)	16,155 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	45,757	44,889	868		15,375 (x)	16,243 (y)
Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward	<b>TOTAL RECEIPTS</b>	<b>TOTAL PAYMENTS</b>				

**SECTION F**

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**

**CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2022**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	13,532	12,125
f3 Bank Deposit Account	1,677	30
f4 Central Finance Board		
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes		
f6 Other funds	44	3,771
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	15,253 (c6)	15,926 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	192 (e11)	88 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	15,445 (x)	16,014 (y)

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**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
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g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	2,800,000	3,058,072
g3 Other Assets		
g4 Loan(s) - show amount outstanding at year end		
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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 BEDALE & DISTRICT METHODIST No 24/20

## 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 ..... *K Lowrie* ..... Date ..... *29/09/22* .....

Name and address of treasurer Mrs Kathleen Lowrie

Ashlea, Londonderry, Northallerton

Post Code DL7 9ND

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on ...*24.01.2023*...

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

Name of the Chair of the meeting *Rev Gareth Baron* ..... Date *24.01.23* .....

### Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

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CHARITY NO. 1168843

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the ~~BEDALE~~ 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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### 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.

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