

THE METHODIST CHURCH  
STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

WINTERLEY METHODIST	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
31 August 2024

CHESHIRE SOUTH	Circuit	Circuit no.	11/08
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1174291
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If not a registered charity His Majesty's Revenue and  
Customs Gift Aid number

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(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'D CAROLYN LAWRANCE
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Church Stewards:

AUDREY CLARKE	ELLEN CIEKA
RITA WHITTAKER	SHEILA SCRAGG

Treasurer:

JACQUELINE PARKES
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SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year		Totals last year
		£	£	£		£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note				
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered		9,739	9,739		7,500
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income		990	990		241
a4	Lettings		9,395	9,395		8,905
a5	Other receipts		10,641	5,000	15,641	11,914
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS		30,765	5,000	35,765 (a7)	28,560

SECTION B						
b1	PAYMENTS					
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share		7,332		7,332	6,060
b3	Donations					
b4	Repairs and Maintenance		3,892		3,892	3,800
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)		5,086		5,086	6,177
b6						
b7	Other payments		2,433	5,000	7,433	1,909
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS		18,743	5,000	23,743 (b9)	17,946

SECTION C						
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	12,022		12,022	10,614
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		22,162		22,162 (c6)	17,998
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	34,184		34,184	28,612
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	34,184		34,184 (c8)	28,612 (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					
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations					
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations					
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)				

**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 2024 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						
e2						
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds				(e11)	(e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	35,765 (a7)	23,743 (b9)	12,022	22,162 (c6)	34,184 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	35,765	23,743	12,022	22,162 (x)	34,184 (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 2024**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1		
f2	18,039	8,903
f3		
f4	4,123	25,281
f5		
f6		
f7	22,162 (c6)	34,184 (c8)
f8	(e11)	(e12)
f9	22,162 (x)	34,184 (y)

**SECTION G****OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2023	At 31 August 2024
g1		
g2		
g3		
g4		
g5		

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 ..... WINTERLEY METHODIST ..... No. .... 1174291

## Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2024 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 ..... *J. Parkes* ..... Date.....

Name and address of treasurer ..MRS J. PARKES, THE MANSE.....

..... TEMPLE ST. FENTON. S-O-T ..... Post Code... ST4 4NW

### Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2024 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on ..8/10/24...

Signature of the Chair of the meeting .....

Name of the Chair of the meeting REV'D CAROLYN LAWRANCE Date .....

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

..... WINTERLEY METHODIST Church

Charity Number ..... 1174291

### Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the WINTERLEY METHODIST Church for the year ended 31 August 2024 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.

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church ..... WINTERLEY METHODIST ..... No 1174291 .....

### 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 ..... *PA Austin* .....

Name of independent examiner ..... PATRICIA ANN AUSTIN .....

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner .....

Name of firm (where appropriate) .....

Address ..... 4 LITTLE CLIFFE ROAD .....

..... STOKE-ON-TRENT ..... Post Code ST3 2DN .....

Date ..... 10/6/25 .....

\* delete or circle as appropriate

## **Winterley Methodist Church**

**Charity number: 1174291**

***Mission Statement: "To invite the community and to share the love of Christ"***

### **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st AUGUST 2024**

#### **STRUCTURE GOVERNANCE & MANAGEMENT**

Winterley Methodist Church is part of the 'Methodist Church of Great Britain' whose status as a charity has historically been derived from the Deed of Union 1932 and the Methodist Church Act 1976. We are connected to Cheshire South Methodist Circuit which itself is part of the Chester & Stoke-on-Trent Methodist District.

We operate in the administrative unitary authority area of Cheshire East.

Our constitutional practices can be found in [www.methodist.org/ministers-and-office-holders/cpd](http://www.methodist.org/ministers-and-office-holders/cpd)

As a Methodist Society we are accountable to Circuit, District and Connexion and are required to comply with regulations laid down in the Constitution, Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church, which is updated annually. As a Society we make decisions at Church Council meetings of which we are required to hold at least two per year and more as and when required by the local situations. Voting members of Church Council must be members of The Methodist Church of Great Britain and trustees of Winterley Methodist Church.

**Risk management** - the major risks to which the charity is exposed have been identified and mitigating actions are being developed. Appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and financial error.

#### **Public Benefit**

The Trustees confirm that they have complied with the duty in Section 17 of the Charities Act having due regard to public benefit as per guidance published by the Charity Commission.

#### **OBJECTIVES & ACTIVITIES**

We are a local Methodist Church, situated in a semi-rural location between Crewe and Sandbach in Cheshire. We are primarily a worshipping and fellowship church. We host a preschool playgroup who have a Licence to Use a dedicated building attached to the main church building. Winterley Brass Band also practice regularly in

the building. They have a good reputation and perform at both Methodist and community events in the area. There is a regular weekly act of worship, café style services and a regular midweek coffee morning open to all. All events are well advertised to the local community in the village.

The building was totally refurbished in 2017.

### **ACHEIVEMENTS IN THE YEAR BEING CURRENTLY REPORTED**

Fundraising Activities, Coffee Fellowship and Social Groups took place during the year and continue to attract a significant number of participants. The Winterley Band continues to have an extensive program of events and has had successful year of fundraising. Band Members also assisted in the Church Fundraising events.

### **PLANS FOR THE FUTURE PERIOD**

Continue with Fundraising activities and to grow the Church by encouraging membership of the Methodist Church.

### **5. RESERVES POLICY**

The reserves policy for 2024/2025 is to hold at least £6000 in readily available funds in the General Fund (unrestricted), which is sufficient to meet typical general expenditure for a period of six months.

### **LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION**

#### **1. Appointments in the 2023/2024 financial year**

Minister and Chair of Trustees: Reverend Carolyn Lawrance

Treasurer: Jacqueline Parkes

Trustees: Audrey Clarke

Ellen Cieka

Rita Whittaker

Sheila Scragg

There were 4 volunteers providing administrative support to the running of the charity in various roles.

#### **2. Principal address for Correspondence**

Winterley Methodist Church & Community Centre,  
Crewe Road,

Winterley,

Cheshire

CW11 4RP

**3. Independent examiner**

Patricia Ann Austin

4 Little Cliffe Road

Stoke-on-Trent

ST3 2DN

**4. Bankers**

Lloyds Bank,

13 Victoria Street,

Crewe

Cheshire

CW1 2JQ