

SOUTH CHADDERTON METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2020 TO 31ST AUGUST 2021

A. REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Charity Name:	South Chadderton Methodist Church
Registered Charity Number:	1174772
Charity Principal Address:	Thompson Lane, Chadderton, Oldham, OL9 8LX
Names of Charity Trustees:	The trustees are the members of South Chadderton Methodist Church Council. Attachment A lists the names of all trustees who served during the reporting period and also those appointed between 31 st August 2021 and the date of approval of this report
Names of Trustees for the Charity:	The church building is held on Model Trusts and the custodian trustees, holding legal title for the property, are the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes (TMCP). South Chadderton Methodist Church Council acts as managing trustees for the church building.

B. STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

South Chadderton Methodist Church is part of the Methodist Church of Great Britain.

Type of Governing Document:	Deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
How the Charity is Constituted:	Act of Parliament
Trustee Selection Methods:	<p>The minister appointed by the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit Meeting to be responsible for South Chadderton Methodist Church is ex-officio chair of the trustees. Other ex-officio trustees include the church stewards appointed by church members at the Annual General Church Meeting, the church treasurer, the church council secretary, the director of music in worship, the property steward, and the pastoral secretary.</p> <p>Up to eight trustees may be appointed by church members at the Annual General Church Meeting and also some trustees may be appointed by existing trustees to ensure that different ministries within the church are represented.</p> <p>One trustee may be appointed by the circuit stewards of the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit.</p> <p>On appointment, all trustees are made aware of the duties and responsibilities of trustees through relevant guidance notes issued by the Charity Commission.</p>

Additional Information:

Structure

South Chadderton Methodist Church is currently one of nine churches in the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit, which in turn is part of the Manchester and Stockport District of the Methodist Church. From 1st September 2021, the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit will come together with the Shaw and Royton Methodist Circuit to form the Oldham Methodist Circuit, which will then consist of fourteen churches.

The church treasurer plus one church steward are ex-officio members of the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit Meeting and the trustees are also currently entitled to appoint five other trustees to that body, providing the trustees with an important link to the wider structures of the Methodist church.

Governance

Detailed governance arrangements are outlined within the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church (CPD) by order of the annual Conference.

Organisation and Management

The trustees (Church Council) normally meet three times per year. They are responsible for making decisions on all matters associated with the church's mission, and for management of the church's property and funds. During the year ended 31st August 2021, three Church Council meetings took place, although two of them (in September 2020 and January 2021) were solely concerned with the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on worship and fellowship. A normal business meeting with a full agenda was held in June 2021.

A church leadership team (the minister, church stewards, director of music in worship, church treasurer and property steward), which is responsible for providing leadership over the whole range of the church's life and activity, meets more regularly (up to nine times per year). It acts in accord with the decisions and policies of the trustees and has limited powers to transact business on behalf of trustees between trustees' meetings.

Risk Management

The trustees regularly review the risks faced by the church, both financial and otherwise; professional advice is taken, when required. Procedures and guidelines for mitigating risks issued by the Methodist Church and others are also consulted, for example:

Safeguarding Procedures. The Methodist Church's robust safeguarding policy and safeguarding procedures are adopted by the church in its 'Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults Policy', which is reviewed annually. Safeguarding is normally an agenda item at every meeting of the Church Council.

Data Protection Procedures. The church complies with the Methodist Church's Data Protection Policy (GDPR) concerning the use and protection of personal data.

Health and Safety Procedures. The church has a written health and safety policy which is subject to annual review; health and safety is also normally an agenda item at every meeting of the Church Council.

C. CHARITABLE OBJECTIVES AND MAIN 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 date of Union:

- The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the 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.
- Any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

Summary of the Main Activities undertaken for Public Benefit in Relation to these Objects

We confirm that the trustees have regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit, including the specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

South Chadderton Methodist Church aims to live out the Calling of the Methodist Church, summarised as:

- To increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love.
- To help people to grow and learn as Christians through mutual support and care.
- To be a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice.
- To make more followers of Jesus Christ.

This is encapsulated within the church's mission statement 'Celebrating God's love, connecting with Jesus, and caring for Chadderton and beyond'.

In accord with the mission statement, the trustees are committed to reaching as many people as possible in the local area in numerous ways, normally including:

- Weekly Sunday morning services of worship, which are free-of charge and open to all who wish to attend. Provisions are made for children attending worship, including a crèche for pre-school children and also activities for older children (Kidsworx and Biblekids).
- Provision of a Prayer Room, offering sacred space for prayer and reflection to all who wish to use it.
- Nurturing people's faith, helping them to grow as Christians and contribute to a better and fairer society.
- Alpha Courses (a 10-week practical introduction to the Christian faith) aimed at people who wish to find out more about Christianity.
- Pastoral care (including visiting the sick and bereaved) to demonstrate compassion and concern for people's welfare.
- A Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association Company which trains and develops children and young people and promotes 'the advancement of Christ's kingdom' amongst those who wish to join.

- Activities for children and parents/carers, including a weekly toddler group (Tots' Time) and an occasional Messy Church. Both activities support young families by providing opportunities for social contact between young children and between their parents/carers.
- A twice-monthly social café for the local community (Meeting Point) offering food, fellowship and various activities.
- Supporting local community groups including Street Pastors, Christians Against Poverty and local Foodbanks ; contributing practical support, financial support, volunteers, or space for their activities.
- Providing financial and practical support to local and national charitable bodies, including both Methodist and other Christian organisations.

Almost all these activities are heavily reliant on the input of volunteers who give freely of their time and talents to assist with the ministries of the church. The trustees extend their thanks to all who contribute in this way.

D. ACHIEVEMENTS AND PERFORMANCE

As a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, church life in the year ended 31st August 2021 again followed an unusual pattern. When face-to-face contact for worship and fellowship was impossible or limited, the trustees arranged for contact with church members and others to be maintained in many ways, from increased use of technology to regular postal mailings.

Minister in Pastoral Charge

For personal reasons, Rev Ian Heath resigned as church minister and chair of trustees, effective from 31st January 2021. Rev Dr Adrian Burdon, Superintendent Minister of the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit, succeeded him as minister in pastoral charge and chair of trustees from 1st February 2021. From summer 2021, Rev Ian Coverdale, a supernumerary minister, has also provided pastoral support. This will continue through to the appointment of a new church minister from 1st September 2022.

Community Work Development and Building Development Projects

Community Work Development. Before the pandemic, as part of the exercise to become more accessible to the local community, Meeting Point was introduced on two Tuesdays in the month (1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.). The meetings offer a warm welcome, good food, and enjoyable social activities (including craft and gentle exercise). When face-to-face meetings were suspended as a result of the pandemic, 'Sit'n'Keep Fit' sessions were held every Wednesday via Zoom until May 2021. Face-to-face meetings re-started in September 2021.

From July 2021, the church premises were used as a COVID-19 vaccination centre for the local community; volunteers from the church have helped with stewarding etc.

Building Development. Having considered the alternatives of a new church building or re-development of the existing building to meet the future needs of church and community, the trustees decided in July 2018 to proceed with a project to develop the existing building, estimated cost over £750,000. The financial strategy for funding the project was dependent on successful applications for grant aid, but since funding constraints now suggest that it will be difficult to obtain the necessary grant aid, the trustees intend to re-examine the scale of the project.

Worship, Prayer and Discipleship

When face-to-face worship was allowed during the COVID-19 pandemic and the trustees considered it safe to do so after rigorous health and safety risk assessments, Sunday worship services in church took place weekly at 10.45 a.m. Generally on one Sunday each month, the form of worship at 10.45 a.m. was structured as All-Age Worship to include the whole of the church family.

From September 2020 through to March 2021, the church was closed for worship for significant periods. From then on, regular weekly worship services were held in church, continuing to follow the health and safety advice issued by the government for worship during the pandemic. Numbers attending fell significantly from pre-pandemic levels, largely as result of the reluctance of some to engage in face-to-face contact whilst the pandemic continued.

From the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March 2020, alternative Sunday morning 'virtual' worship, accessible by Facebook or YouTube, was introduced and this continued throughout the reporting period, concluding at the end of August 2021. Acknowledging that some may not have online access to worship, hard copies of a weekly act of worship, a prayer diary and a church notice sheet were mailed to these people during the pandemic to allow them to continue to feel and be part of the church community.

Recognising that it remains difficult for some to attend church whilst the pandemic continues and also in order to provide the wider community with an opportunity to participate in worship, the necessary equipment for live-streaming Sunday worship has been purchased. From September 2021, services will be live-streamed on our YouTube channel and will also be available to view retrospectively.

Small groups of church members continued to meet on different days of the week for fellowship and Bible study, meeting in 'virtual' form during the COVID-19 pandemic. An online Alpha Course, which commenced in July 2020, continued into the beginning of the reporting period.

Pastoral Care

102 people were recognised as church members in October 2020. During the COVID-19 pandemic, their pastoral care became increasingly reliant on communication by telephone or email. Starting in August 2020, a new telephone initiative was introduced for 10 minutes on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings, known as 'Soul Snack', to permit people to catch up with each other and to hear a short word of encouragement and a short prayer. The service was extended to include a Sunday morning session from January 2021 and continued through to the end of the reporting period.

Work with Children and Young People

Meetings of Tots' Time (Thursday) and Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association (Wednesday) were suspended at the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Tots' Time intends to re-open from September 2021 and Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association from November 2021. In future, the latter will provide activities for Anchors and Juniors only (boys and girls from five to eleven years old).

During the pandemic, contact was maintained with families of children who would normally attend Kidsworx or Biblekids by regular mailings of activity materials.

By providing volunteers to work within local schools as coaches to children who struggle in the school environment for various reasons, the church continues to support 'Transforming Lives for Good', a national project to provide hope and a future for disadvantaged children.

E. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Review of Accounts for Year Ended 31st August 2021

Unrestricted Funds

Receipts during the year ended 31st August 2021 totalled £60,577, considerably lower than the previous year when a significant, unrestricted bequest of £150,372 was received. Receipts from the weekly/monthly offerings of the congregation and the associated Gift Aid/GASDS tax recovery amounted to £55,202 (£47,915 from the offering and £7,287 from Gift Aid/GASDS tax recovery). The total receipts from these sources were similar to the year ended 31st August 2020. In both financial years, the church was closed for worship for significant periods as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic. The absence of a cash collection during the closure periods significantly affected the receipts from the offering and associated tax recovery. Prior to the pandemic, annual receipts from the offering and tax recovery were between £61,000 and £65,500.

£2,300 was received for lettings, largely for use of the church as a vaccination centre. 'Other receipts' amounted to £3,067 including a bank refund for overcharging (£1,363), payments from other local churches towards the mailing cost of joint publications during the COVID-19 pandemic (£785) and funds received on wind-up of the church bookstall (£488), plus gifts towards a presentation to the former minister (£431).

Payments from unrestricted funds totalled £93,128 with the most significant item being the payment of the annual assessment levied by the Oldham and Saddleworth Methodist Circuit, which amounted to £42,432 (a 10% reduction from the previous year since the Circuit recognised the financial difficulties of its constituent churches as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic).

The church continues to commit around 10% of unrestricted receipts from the offering and tax recovered to charities and causes nominated by the trustees. This is known as the 'missionary tithe' and the list of recipients is normally reviewed by the trustees every three years. The 'donations' section of the accounts for the year ended 31st August 2021 reflects the payment of the missionary tithe for both the years ended 31st August 2020 and 31st August 2021, together amounting to £12,250 and donated to five different charities. Other, smaller, charitable donations amounted to £1,512.

Payments for repairs/maintenance amounted to £20,505, including the sum of £18,630 for re-surfacing of the church car park and other car park works. Payments for utilities/insurance amounted to £4,544. Other payments totalled £11,866. This included the purchase of live-streaming equipment so that worship can now be accessed online (£4,027), church cleaning (£2,247), postage costs for publications distributed by mail as a result of the pandemic (£1,461), printing/stationery (£1,201), and telephone (£1,029) and smaller payments totalling £1,901.

The sum held as unrestricted funds fell from £200,626 at the start of the year to £168,075 at 31st August 2021, a decrease of £32,551. The exceptional payments of £18,630 for car park maintenance, £4,027 for live-streaming equipment and £5,500 for the prior year missionary tithe, together totalling £28,157, were the major contributors to the deficit.

Restricted Funds

The restricted funds receipts (£339) during the year ended 31st August 2021 and the restricted fund payments (£472) were both associated with the Meeting Point project. At 31st August 2021, the balance held as restricted funds was £11,758.

Money Received for and Passed on to External Organisations

Funds received for and passed on to external organisations in the year ended 31st August 2021 amounted to £230, realised from a Christmas Day offering for Tearfund. The balance still to be paid includes funds due to Methodist World Missions (£104) and Mission in Britain (£135).

Funds of Internal Organisations Reporting to the Church Council

Organisations reporting to the Church Council (Tots' Time, Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association and Bookstall) received receipts of £450 during the reporting period and held funds totalling £2,600 at 31st August 2021.

Reserves Policies

Unrestricted Funds (£168,075)

In order to meet its ongoing financial obligations, including payment of the annual assessment to the local Methodist Circuit, and to provide for the possibilities of future income failing to keep pace with church expenditure or for unanticipated or emergency expenditure, the church must maintain sufficient 'free' unrestricted reserves. 'Free' reserves are defined as unrestricted reserves less funds already designated by the trustees for specific purposes. In line with guidance provided by the Methodist Church, the trustees normally aimed to maintain 'free' reserves at a level between three and six month's typical expenditure i.e. between £17,500 and £35,000, but having observed the impact of the COVID-19 pandemic on church finances, reserves of six months typical expenditure would appear to be the more realistic figure.

£168,075 was held as unrestricted funds at 31st August 2021, which is substantially higher than the suggested level of reserves. However, significant expenditure on a building development project and on essential property maintenance is envisaged; the latter to resolve water ingress from the roof at the front of the worship area and water ingress into basement areas. Furthermore, the professional quinquennial inspection of the condition of the property, due in late 2021/early 2022, may identify a need for currently unplanned property maintenance.

The trustees are also mindful that, even before the COVID-19 pandemic, annual routine payments had begun to exceed receipts, thus depleting church reserves. Hence, the trustees do not consider the level of reserves to be excessive at this point in time.

Restricted Funds (£11,758)

Church Building and Community Development Project (£9,944)

These funds are from a National Lottery grant for community work and building development

Meeting Point Project (£1,625)

These funds are largely the residue of grants received for the running costs of Meeting Point. The funds are intended to cover the cost of food, activities, heating/lighting etc.

Other (£189)

These funds are due to be paid to the local Foodbank.

F. OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION

No further information is provided.

G. DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they received, examined and approved the above report by email circulation.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature

1. K Gondongwe

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Full Name

1. KENNEDY GONDONGWE

2.

Position

1. CHAIR

2.

Date

19/12/22



Steve Jones

Treasurer

18 Dec 22

ATTACHMENT A

SOUTH CHADDERTON METHODIST CHURCH

Trustees Serving during the Reporting Period or up to the Date of Approval of this Report.

Name	Office (if any)	Dates acted (if not whole period)	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Rev Ian Heath	Church Minister (Chair)	to 31.01.2021	Ex-officio
Rev Dr Adrian Burdon	Superintendent Minister	from 01.02.2021	Ex-officio
Rev Dr Kennedy Gondongwe	Church Minister (Chair)	from 01.09.2022	Ex-officio
Mrs Sue Frost	Church Steward	to 01.02.2021	Annual General Church Meeting
Mr Geoff Lamb	Church Steward	to 05.10.2021	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Sue Willcocks	Church Steward	to 12.06.2022	Annual General Church Meeting
Mr Mike Brierley	Church Steward/ Safeguarding Officer	from 12.06.2022	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Jennie Gilpin ⁽¹⁾	Church Steward	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Bev Jones	Church Steward	from 12.06.2022	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Christina Potts	Church Steward	from 12.06.2022	Annual General Church Meeting
Miss Ruth Radcliffe	Church Steward	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Carol Shepherdson ⁽²⁾	Church Steward/ Mission Secretary	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Lynne Radcliffe	Church Council Secretary	from 13.01.2021 to 14.11.2022	Trustees
Mr Steve Jones	Church Treasurer	-	Trustees
Mr Paul Shepherdson ⁽³⁾	Property Steward	-	Trustees
Mr John Wilkinson	Director of Music in Worship	-	Trustees
Mrs Sally Wilkinson	Pastoral Secretary	-	Trustees
Mr Barry Cooke	-	to 08.06.2021	Trustees
Mr Pete Gowers	-	to 14.07.2022	Trustees
Mrs Claire Ogden	-	to 12.06.2022	Trustees
Mr Luton Edghill	-	from 12.06.2022	Annual General Church Meeting
Mr Alan Heywood	-	from 12.06.2022	Annual General Church Meeting
Miss Pauline Jackson	-	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Sybil Lamb	-	-	Annual General Church Meeting

⁽¹⁾ To 11th June 2022, a trustees appointment ; an Annual General Meeting appointment from 12th June 2022.

⁽²⁾ To 11th June 2022, a trustees appointment ; an Annual General Meeting appointment from 12th June 2022.

⁽³⁾ To 30th June 2021, an Annual General Meeting appointment; a trustees appointment from 1st July 2021.

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

South Chadderton Methodist Church

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

Oldham & Saddleworth	Circuit	Circuit no.	19 / 11
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1174772

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^d Ian Heath (to Jan 2021) / Rev^d Dr Adrian Burdon (from Feb 2021)

Church Stewards:

Geoff Lamb

Sybil Lamb

Sue Willcocks

Sue Frost (to Feb 2021)

Ruth Radcliffe

Treasurer:

Steve Jones

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	55,202		55,202	57,142
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	8		8	60
a4	Lettings	2,300		2,300	0
a5	Other receipts	3,067	339	3,406	152,114
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	60,577	339	60,916 (a7)	209,315

SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	42,432		42,432	47,148
b3	Donations	13,762		13,762	2,916
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	20,505		20,505	7,371
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	4,544		4,544	5,108
b6	Bank Charges	20		20	77
b7	Other payments	11,866	472	12,338	8,562
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	93,128	472	93,600 (b9)	71,181

SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(32,551)	(133)	(32,684)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	200,626	11,891	212,517 (c6)	74,382
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	168,075	11,758	179,833
c4	Transfers and adjustments	0	0	0 (c7)	0
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	168,075	11,758	179,833 (c8)
					212,517 (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		239		50
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		230		619
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		230		430
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)	239		239

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 2021 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 Tots Time	0	63	(63)		235	172
e2 Boys' Brigade	336	690	(354)		2,782	2,428
e3 Bookstall	114	488	(374)		374	0
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	450	1,241	(791)		3,391 (e11)	2,600 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	60,916 (a7)	93,600 (b9)	(32,684)	(c7)	212,517 (c6)	179,833 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	61,366	94,841	(33,475)		215,908 (x)	182,433 (y)
	TOTAL RECEIPTS	TOTAL PAYMENTS				

Continue on a separate sheet if necessary and bring the totals forward

SECTION F

STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

CHURCH - CASH FUNDS HELD at 31 August 2021

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	186,493	153,806
f3 Bank Deposit Account	25,125	25,127
f4		
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	900	900
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	212,517 (c6)	179,833 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	3,391 (e11)	2,600 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	215,908 (x)	182,433 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2020	At 31 August 2021
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	265	308
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	1,747,724	1,764,816
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 ... **South Chadderton Methodist Church**..... No ... **1174772**

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2021 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

18/12/22

Name and address of treasurer: Stephen Jones

6 Alderwood Fold, Lees, Oldham, OL4 5RW

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were received, examined and approved by the trustees through email circulation.

Signature of the Chair:



Name of the Chair:

KENNEDY GONDONGWE

Date

19/12/22

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

South Chadderton Methodist Church

Charity Number ...1174772

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the South Chadderton Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 set out on pages P1 to P3. 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.

Name of Church ... **South Chadderton Methodist Church** No ... **1174772**

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 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 David Schofield

Name of independent examiner : David Schofield

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner : Retired Clinical Scientist (PhD)

Name of firm (where appropriate): N/A

Address: 3 Croft Brow, Oldham, OL8 3AJ

Date: 4th December 2022