

SOUTH CHADDERTON METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES' ANNUAL REPORT FOR THE PERIOD FROM 1ST SEPTEMBER 2024 TO 31ST AUGUST 2025

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 any appointed between 31 st August 2025 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 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 assistant 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 the different ministries within the church are represented.</p> <p>One trustee may be appointed by the circuit stewards of the Oldham 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 thirteen churches in the Oldham Methodist Circuit, which in turn is part of the newly formed North West England District from 1st September 2024.

The church treasurer plus one church steward are now ex-officio members of the Oldham Methodist Circuit Meeting, 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 (the 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.

Three normal plus one extraordinary Church Council meetings took place during the year ended 31st August 2025.

A church leadership team, consisting of the minister, the six church stewards, the director of music in worship, the church treasurer and the property steward, is responsible for providing leadership over the whole range of

the church's life and activity. The team meets around 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 the 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. All volunteers working with children and vulnerable adults receive formal safeguarding training. Safeguarding is an agenda item at every meeting of the Church Council.

Data Protection Procedures. The church complies with the Methodist Church's Data Protection Policy concerning the use and protection of personal data. A GDPR audit is conducted annually.

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'. This has been expanded to "To be a community of Christians who:

- Worship and glorify God
- Serve one another and the local community
- Demonstrate God's love, mercy and compassion to all
- Equip everyone to grow in their relationship with God to achieve their full potential"

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 weekly activities for older children (Kidsworx) and opportunities to contribute to the occasional all-age worship.
- 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 Messy Church afternoons around Christmas and Easter. Both activities support young families by providing opportunities for social contact between young children and between their parents/carers.
- A social café (known as Meeting Point) for the local community which opens weekly during term-time, offering food, fellowship and various activities.
- Supporting local community groups including Street Pastors, Street Angels, Christians Against Poverty and local Foodbanks; contributing practical support, financial support and volunteers.
- 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

Minister in Pastoral Charge

Rev Dr Kennedy Gondongwe, a minister from Zimbabwe, took pastoral charge of the church from 1st September 2022.

Community Work Development and Building Development Projects

Community Work Development. Before the Covid-19 pandemic, as part of the exercise to become more accessible to the local community, Meeting Point was introduced. Meeting Point offers a warm welcome, a simple meal, and a gentle exercise session. Meetings continued weekly throughout the reporting period on Wednesdays from 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m. apart from during holiday periods. Around 30 people plus volunteer helpers attend each session.

Building Development. Having completed the redevelopment of the church kitchen, the Trustees continue to consider the needs of the building to carry out the mission of the Church and are considering how to meet this. They are having discussions regarding how to best use the existing rooms and possibly alter these where this will be of benefit.

Worship, Prayer and Discipleship

Sunday worship services in church took place weekly at 10.45 a.m. On several occasions during the year the form of worship at 10.45 a.m. was structured as All-Age Worship to include the whole of the church family.

To provide the wider community with an opportunity to participate in worship, the necessary equipment for live-streaming Sunday worship was purchased in summer 2021 and from September 2021, services were live-streamed on our YouTube channel and are available to view retrospectively

Five small groups of church members (Home Groups) continued weekly meetings for fellowship and Bible study.

Pastoral Care

75 people were identified as church members in June 2025 the same as in the previous year. The existing system for providing pastoral care continued. Six people now act as pastoral visitors, three others act as pastoral links to households, and home group leaders act as pastoral links to members of their home group.

Work with Children and Young People

Tots' Time (Thursdays 9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.). Tots' Time continued to meet weekly during termtime. Around 30 children plus adults now attend each session and they find it to be a good and safe place for the children to meet. New people continue to turn up on a regular basis.

Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association (Wednesdays 6.30 p.m. to 7.30 p.m.). Meetings continued, with activities for Anchors and Juniors (boys and girls from five to eleven years old). 10 children regularly attend.

Kidsworx. Kidsworx on Sunday mornings has continued and up to 20 children of varying ages now meet with their leaders during Sunday morning worship in 2 separate age groups. It is hoped to plan for 3 age groups in the near future.

Transforming Lives for Good (TLG). Volunteers work within local schools as coaches to children who struggle in the school environment for various reasons, supporting a national project to provide hope and a future for disadvantaged children.

E. FINANCIAL REVIEW

Review of Accounts for Year Ended 31st August 2025

Unrestricted Funds

Receipts during the year ended 31st August 2025 totalled £54,930, (approximately £5000 higher than in the previous year).

Receipts from the weekly/monthly offerings of the congregation and the associated Gift Aid/GASDS tax recovery amounted to £45,575. The tax recovered included in this sum was £4,272. The total receipts from these sources were slightly lower than the previous year (£48,421). Receipts from the offering/tax recovery remain considerably lower than in the year before the pandemic.

Letting of part of the church premises to 2 local schools meant increased income from lettings (£3775) and other receipts including donations amounted to £5,057.

Payments from unrestricted funds totalled £59,909 with the most significant item being the payment of the annual assessment levied by the Oldham Methodist Circuit, which amounted to £31,536. This was lower than the previous year (£37,288) as the Circuit continued to support local churches with surplus funds held by the Circuit. In addition, significant reductions in both unrestricted income and "reserves" held as unrestricted funds of the church since 2022, have contributed to reducing the annual assessment levied.

The church continues to commit at least 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 2025 includes the payment of the missionary tithe for the year, amounting to £6,000.00 which was divided equally among four different charities (Tearfund, Transforming Lives for Good, Boaz and Christians Against Poverty). Other, smaller, charitable donations together amounted to £1,586, resulting in total gifts of £7,586 to charitable causes (very slightly higher than the previous year).

Payments for repairs/maintenance amounted to £6,808, significantly less than the previous year due to the completion of the works carried out in the previous two years regarding the roof, and kitchen work. Payments for utilities amounted to £3,365 and insurance £3,149. Other payments totalled £7465. This included church cleaning (£2730), photocopying (£1183), website/IT (£136), telephone (£769), CCLI licences (£621) and a number of smaller payments, together totalling £2026.

The sum held as unrestricted funds decreased from £107,248 at the start of the year to £102,269 at 31st August 2025, a decrease of £4,979.

Restricted Funds

Restricted funds receipts (£9,966) during the year ended 31st August 2025 comprised £5,036 Meeting Point grants and receipts, £100 received for Cliff College weekend for young people, £50 gifts for a defibrillator and £4,780 for a special summer appeal. The restricted fund payments (£4,679) were largely associated with the Meeting Point project (£4,085), and the Cliff College weekend for young people (£513). £80 held from 2023-24 was passed to Boaz and TLG. As at 31st August 2025, the balance held as restricted funds was £29,357.

Money Received for and Passed on to External Organisations

Funds received and passed on to external organisations in the year ended 31st August 2025 amounted to £2,094.

Funds of Internal Organisations Reporting to the Church Council

Organisations reporting to the Church Council (Tots' Time and Boys' Brigade/Girls' Association) received total receipts of £1,721 during the reporting period and after payments totalling £1,428, held funds totalling £2,850 at 31st August 2025.

Reserves Policies

Unrestricted Funds (£102,269)

In order to meet its ongoing financial obligations, including payment of the annual assessment to the Oldham 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 have historically aimed to maintain 'free' reserves at a level around six months' expenditure, typically £40,000.

Although £102,269 was held as unrestricted funds at 31st August 2025, the large balance resulted mainly from the balance of gifts and bequests received in earlier years. Much of this had previously been designated for work to the kitchen, repairs to the roof to prevent water ingress and improvement to the front of the worship area. Most of this work was completed during the previous year.

The trustees are now looking at carrying out improvements to the lounge area adjoining the worship area, and to carry out refurbishment and decoration and a sum of £20,000 is designated for this purpose.

The trustees will continue to commit at least 10% of the Church's gross offertory income to the 'missionary tithe'. In 2025/26 this is expected again to amount to £6,000. Designated funds therefore total £26,000. Financial projections also indicate that it is likely that use of reserves will be necessary to meet our Circuit Assessment for 2025-26 and in future years due to the decline in receipts from offertory income and the lack of other sources of income. Hence, the trustees do not consider the level of 'free' reserves to be excessive.

Restricted Funds (£29,357)

Church Building and Community Development Project (£7851)

These funds are the balance of a National Lottery grant for community work and building development

Meeting Point Project (£15,902)

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

Special summer appeal (£4779) Gifts received for an appeal for help for the 'Presbyter's family

Sensory Equipment (£775). These funds are gifts for this equipment in the room used for childrens' work.

Other (£50)

This is a gift for the defibrillator.

F. OTHER OPTIONAL INFORMATION

No further information is provided.

G. DECLARATION

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above at a trustees' meeting held on 23rd February 2026.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees.

Signature

1. K. Gwondangwe

2. M. Sybil Lamb

Full Name

1. KENNEDY GWONDANGWE

2. MIRIAM SYBIL LAMB

Position

1. MINISTER

2. SECRETARY TO CHURCH COUNCIL

Date

23rd February 2026

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 Dr Kennedy Gondongwe	Church Minister (Chair)	-	Ex-officio
Mr Mike Brierley	Church Steward/ Safeguarding Officer	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Jennie Gilpin	Church Steward	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Bev Jones	Church Steward		Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Christina Potts	Church Steward		Annual General Church Meeting
Miss Ruth Radcliffe	Church Steward	To 31 st August 2025	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Carol Shepherdson	Church Steward/ Mission Secretary	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Claire Ogden (2)	Church Steward/ Kidsworld Leader	From 9 th June 2025	Trustees
Mrs Andrina Baxter (1)	Church Treasurer		Trustees
Mr Paul Shepherdson	Property Steward	-	Trustees
Mr John Wilkinson	Director of Music in Worship	-	Trustees
Mrs Sally Wilkinson	Pastoral Secretary	-	Trustees
Mr David Schofield	Assistant Treasurer		Trustees
Mr Luton Edghill	-		Annual General Church Meeting
Miss Pauline Jackson	-	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Margaret Brumell	-		Annual General Meeting
Mrs Lynne Radcliffe	-	-	Trustees
Mrs Sybil Lamb	Church Council Secretary	-	Annual General Church Meeting
Mrs Pamela Taylor	-	from 5 th October 2025	Annual General Church Meeting

(1) To 26.02.24 appointed by Annual General meeting as Trustee, from 26.02.24 appointed by Trustees as Treasurer

(2) To 5.10.25 appointed by Trustees as Kidsworld leader ex officio, from 5.10.25 appointed as Steward by Annual General Church Meeting

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FOR THE YEAR ENDED
31 August 2025

Oldham	Circuit	Circuit no.	1/27
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Treasurer:

Andrina Baxter

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	45,575		45,575	48,421
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	523		523	536
a4	Lettings	3,775		3,775	230
a5	Other receipts	5,057	9,966	15,023	14,281
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	54,930	9,966	64,896 (a7)	63,468

SECTION B		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
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b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	31,536		31,536	37,288
b3	Donations	7,586	80	7,666	8,061
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b6	Bank charges	164		164	187
b7	Other payments	7,300	4,599	11,900	20,989
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	59,909	4,679	64,589 (b9)	109,817

SECTION C							
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(4,979)	5,287	307		(46,349)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		107,248	24,070	131,319	(c6)	177,667
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	102,269	29,357	131,626		131,319
c4	Transfers and adjustments					(c7)	
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	102,269	29,357	131,626	(c8)	131,319 (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	2,095	961
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations	2,095	961
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID		
	(d1+d2-d3)		

South Chadderton Methodist Church

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

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INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/ Payments	Adjustments	Opening balances	Closing balances
e1 Tots Time	1,106	1,067	39		178	217
e2 Boys' Brigade	616	361	255		2,378	2,633
e3						
e4						
e5						
e6						
e7						
e8 Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	1,721	1,428	293		2,557 (e11)	2,850 (e12)
e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	64,896 (a7)	64,589 (b9)	307	(c7)	131,319 (c6)	131,626 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	66,617	66,016	601		133,876 (x)	134,476 (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 2025

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	87,756	104,456
f3 Bank Deposit Account	25,792	26,270
f4 Central Finance Board		
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	900	900
f6 Bank Missions Account	16,871	0.00
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	131,319 (c6)	131,626 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	2,557 (e11)	2,850 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	133,876 (x)	134,476 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	298	298
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	2572815	2701000
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)

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Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 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 14 October 2025

Name and address of treasurer Andrina Baxter

8 Hannerton Road, Shaw, Oldham Post Code OL2 8HS

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 23.2.26

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting KENNEDY GOODWIN Date 23rd 10/2/2026

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 2025 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

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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.

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 

Name of independent examiner MICHAEL WILSON

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address 37 DENTON LANE, CHADDERTON

..... Post Code OL9 9EA

Date 17/10/25

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e9 Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	64,896 (a7)	64,589 (b9)	307	(c7)	131,319 (c6)	131,626 (c8)
e10 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	66,617	66,016	601		133,876 (x)	134,476 (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 2025

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand		
f2 Bank Current Account	87,756	104,456
f3 Bank Deposit Account	25,792	26,270
f4 Central Finance Board		
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	900	900
f6 Bank Missions Account	16,871	0.00
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	131,319 (c6)	131,626 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	2,557 (e11)	2,850 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	133,876 (x)	134,476 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 1 September 2024	At 31 August 2025
g1 Investments (include Endowments)	298	298
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)	2572815	2701000
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)

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1174772

Declarations and Scrutiny

I confirm that these Receipt and Payment based accounts for the year to 31 August 2025 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 14 October 2025

Name and address of treasurer Andrina Baxter

8 Hannerton Road, Shaw, Oldham Post Code OL2 8HS

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2025 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 23.2.26

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting KENNEDY GOODWIN Date 23rd 10/2/2026

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 2025 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 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/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 

Name of independent examiner MICHAEL WILSON

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address 37 DENTON LANE, CHADDERTON

..... Post Code OL9 9EA

Date 17/10/25

* delete or circle as appropriate