

NEW MALDEN METHODIST CHURCH

TRUSTEES ANNUAL REPORT for the year ended 31st August 2021

Reference and administrative details

Registered Name: New Malden Methodist Church (NMMC)

Charity Number: 1176621

Address : 49 High Street, New Malden, Surrey KT3 4BY

Trustees:

Susan Abell (joined 01/09/2021)

Richard Bland

Rev Stan Brown

Alison Bullett

Peter Bullett

Anthony Chalk

Hoseon Choi

Alan Downey (retired 31/8/2021)

Doreen Downey (retired 31/8/2021) *skt*

Liz Edwards

Susan Knowles (joined 01/09/2021)

Julie Haines

Judith Jewell (retired 31/01/2021)

David Knowles

Sarah Moore

Julia Morton

Jenny Reid (retired 31/01/2021)

Rev Karl Rutledge

Gloria Taviner

Michael Taviner (retired 31/8/2021)

Hilary Warner (joined 01/09/2021)

Objectives and activities

The purposes of the Methodist Church are, and have been since the date of the union, as set out in the Methodist Church Act of 1976. NMMC exists to exercise the ministry of Jesus Christ, particularly in the local community, through worship, fellowship, pastoral care, mission and service, and emphasis is placed on undertaking these tasks ecumenically. NMMC is part of Churches Together in Malden.

Structure government and management

NMMC is part of the British Methodist Church. Its governing documents are the Deed of Union (1932) and the Methodist Church Act 1976. All Methodist churches are connected to each other and are governed by the decisions laid down by Connexion, through a District, Circuit and the local church. NMMC is part of the Kingston upon Thames Circuit which in turn is part of the London District, and is accountable to the Methodist Conference.

The members of the Church Council are the charity trustees, membership being made up of church office holders, ministers and representatives appointed by the church at the Annual Church Meeting.

Achievements and performance

As has been the case for many organisations, this has been another challenging year for NMMC given all the ongoing challenges generated by the Covid-19 pandemic. Much work was put into preparing to reopen the building after more lockdowns, and especially into getting Wesley's Coffee Bar reopened and on a sure footing. We are pleased to be able to offer hospitality to the local community, and it has been good to get to know those who have become regulars since we reopened, as well as the new and existing volunteers who have helped make this possible.

At the year end the church's membership stood at 88, with a fair number of adherents. Regular acts of worship are provided, both in the building when this has been possible, and online via both YouTube and Zoom since the lockdown impacted the provision of the former. Everyone is welcome to attend, and we've made increasing use of social media to reach new people. When possible, children's activities are provided during services, though we have very much missed the ministry of our Families Worker, Julia Morton, who retired in 2020. Bible study and prayer groups have been held at various times during the week, including a weekly Zoom gathering as the church sought to address social isolation and loneliness in the pandemic. Pastoral support is given by the minister and by appointed pastoral visitors. Communion is taken to the housebound when possible.

Events have been held to provide opportunities for people to donate to organisations and charities associated with, or ancillary to, the Methodist Church, including All We Can and Christian Aid. Donations have been made to various local, national and international organisations, although given the profound impact of the pandemic on our finances, it has not been possible to do this to the extent we have previously. We look forward to being able to support charities and organisations further in better times.

We have been running Make Lunch during the school holidays and stoppages of 2020-2021; this provides free food to primary-aged children who are entitled to free school meals and their families, and we're grateful for the funds we have received to enable us to do this, especially during lockdown. We had resumed operating a monthly Bereavement Café in conjunction with the Princess Alice Hospice, which offers space for bereaved people to share their experiences and be listened to. Working with South London Citizens has seen us deepen ecumenical and interfaith relationships as we explore what being a Mental Health Hub will mean for us. Looking to the future, we are re-evaluating our ministry and mission, praying about and thinking through what it means to be at the heart of the High Street in tough times.

Music has continued to be an important fixture of our common life. We have again enjoyed a series of free lunchtime concerts and continued Sunday concerts; during the lockdown these switched to be online. In the coming year, we are exploring livestreaming, which will enable us to reach a wider audience with our music as well as making worship more inclusive by enabling those who cannot or choose not to attend in person to join us.

Public benefit

The trustees have had regard to the Charity Commission's guidance on public benefit. NMMC exists to facilitate public worship in line with the Methodist Church tradition. Rooms are available for use by community organisations, including a daily playgroup. These rooms are let at a rate in line with other premises locally and are well used. NMMC runs a daily coffee bar (Wesley's) from 11am to 1pm, with the net profits normally donated to charity.

Financial review

NMMC income is primarily drawn from the Sunday collections, Gift Aid and rental income including the letting of the church flat. These remained much the same as in the previous year. The major expenditure is in relation to the assessment paid to the Kingston upon Thames Methodist Circuit which is used to pay the District assessment and stipends and related costs of ministers. NMMC also employed a Church Administrator and a Development Worker for Wesley's Coffee Bar during this period.

Our premises are owned by Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes. NMMC is responsible for the cost of repairs and upkeep which in the year amounted to £18,759.

The Church is indebted to the dedicated commitment, financial support, gifts in kind, work and self-sacrifice of our members in many ways without which we, and the neighbourhood, would be much the poorer. From time to time, the Church has surplus funds to invest on a short-term basis. Funds have traditionally been placed with the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church, which has a record of prudent management and good returns, coupled with flexibility and ease of repayment.

Reserves

The church does not maintain a separate Buildings Fund and feels it is therefore prudent to maintain a reserve that covers 6 months of annual running costs.

Risk management

The major risks have been identified and recorded by the Trustees with professional advice taken as required.

Plans for the future

At the moment, it is difficult to foresee what will be possible as the pandemic continues to unfold. We will do what we can to support our local community through the provision of worship, Make Lunch, mental health support and fundraising for others, as well as addressing needs as we can and as they arise.

**CHURCH
RECEIPTS AND PAYMENTS
ACCOUNTS**

THE METHODIST CHURCH

STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

Church	NEW MALDEN METHODIST
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

KINGSTON UPON THAMES	Circuit	Circuit no	35/38
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

XN83783

**If not a registered charity Her 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 DR KARL RUTLIDGE

Church Stewards:

MRS JULIE HAINES	MRS JULIA MORTON
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Treasurer:

MRS GLORIA TAVINER

**NEW MALDEN
METHODIST**

Church

SECTION A					
	Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year	
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	54,526	54,526	62,455	
a3	Bank and CFB interest and investment income	245	245	808	
a4	Lettings	42,183	42,183	54,356	
a5	Other receipts	6,142	1,690	18,815	
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	103,096	1,690	104,786	136,434
					(a7)

SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	46,974	46,974	46,974	
b3	Donations	5,100	5,100	5,100	
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	18,759	18,759	18,759	
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	13,352	13,352	13,352	
b6					
b7	Other payments	36,166	4,715	40,881	
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	120,351	4,715	125,066	154,537
					(b9)

SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(17,255)	(3,025)	(20,280)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year		130,887	4,832	135,719
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	113,632	1,807	115,439
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	113,632	1,807	115,439
					(c8)
					135,719
					(c6)

SECTION D					
d	FOR INFORMATION ONLY: MONEY RECEIVED AND PASSED ON TO EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS (these amounts are not to be included in total receipts/payments figures above)				£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year		3,022		
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations		1,052		
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations		4,074		
d4	BALANCE STILL TO BE PAID	(d1+d2-d3)			3,022

¹⁴ Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board

SECTION G

At
31 August 2021

18	CLOSING BALANCE TOTAL FROM ABOVE (a)(2)	
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138,787	
3,068	
135,719	
48,006	
69,045	
18,668	

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(y)	118,507
(e12)	3,068
(c8)	115,439
	48,071
	23,712
	43,656

CLOSING
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SECTION F

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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.

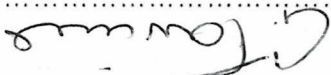
SUMMARY OF CHURCH ACCOUNTS AND INTERNAL ORGANISATIONS REPORTING TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

NEW MALDEN METHODIST Church

Name of Church: NEW MALDEN METHODIST CHURCH No: 319

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 12/12/21

Name and address of treasurer : GLORIA TAVINER

4 Turner Road New Malden Surrey Post Code: KT3 5NL

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2021 were presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 27th October 2021.

Signature of the Chair of the meeting 

Name of the Chair of the meeting: KARL RUTLEDGE Date 14/12/21

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

New Malden Methodist Church

Charity Number: XN 83783

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the New Malden Methodist Church for the year ended 31 August 2021 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.

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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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Signature of independent examiner

Stone W. Williams

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Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

Chartered Accountant

Name of firm (where appropriate)

2-4 Stoneleigh Park Road

Address

GPSON

Surfey

Post Code

KT19 0QT

Date

17/12/21

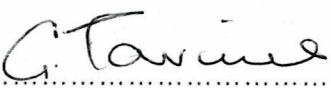
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Signature of independent examiner Sloane W. Deussel PCO

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Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner

CHARTERED ACCOUNTANTS

Name of firm (where appropriate)

Address 2-4 STONELEIGH PARK ROAD

..... EPSOM SURREY Post Code KT19 0QT

Date 17/12/21

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