

SUTTON ON HULL METHODIST CHURCH
ANNUAL CHURCH MEETING
SUNDAY 15TH MAY 2022

PRESENT:

Rev Debbie Lucas, Deacon Sue Langdale, Mr Phil Langdale, Mr Jim Maslen , Mr Andrew Bettley, Mrs Margaret Parker, Mrs Fiona Houghton, Mr Robin Siddle, Mr Bill Dixon, Mrs Penny Dixon, Mrs Pat Dyson, Mrs Margaret Bettley, Mrs Ann Borrill, Mrs Eileen Edwards, Ms Andrera Gray, Mr Dennis Robson, Mr Matthew Bunting, Mr Mike Winfield, Mrs Wendy Winfield

The meeting started at 12.35 pm

OPENING PRAYER

Rev Debbie opened the meeting with prayer.

APOLOGIES:

Mr Phil Plumb, Mrs Elaine Plumb, Mrs Angie Meadley, Mrs Jan Gay, Mr Keith Gay, Mrs Julie Lloyd, Mr Ray Lloyd, Mrs Elaine Calver, Mr Colin Harker, Mrs Ruth Harker, Mrs Linda Whitton

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The last Annual Church Meeting took place on Sunday 19th May 2019, but the minutes of this meeting were not available for reading/approval.

TIME OF REMEMBRANCE

A Remembrance Service had been held on Sunday 12th September 2021 so at this time we remembered members and friends who have died in recent months. Prayers were said giving thanks for the lives of Mrs Doreen Hunter, Miss Sheila Blackman and any others known to individuals in the Church Family.

THANKSGIVING FOR RETIRING CHURCH STEWARDS

Rev Debbie Lucas expressed deep gratitude to the two retiring stewards, Mr Jim Maslen and Deacon Sue Langdale who both contribute to the life of the Church in so many ways.

Rev Debbie said that Jim had served as a steward for 15/16 years. She recalled a previous minister of Sutton Methodist Church saying that Jim had been like a rock to them. Jim is recognised for his community work, his leadership in prayer through the Monday Prayer Group and also the weekly Prayer Sheets that he compiled during the Pandemic. Rev Debbie went on to say that Jim is loyal and faithful and someone who can be relied upon. Heartfelt and deep thanks go to him from the Meeting and from the Body of Fellowship at Sutton.

Rev Debbie explained that, after 5 years serving as a steward, Sue feels that for the moment it is time to take a break. Sue also is very faithful, loyal and committed in all aspects but particularly in visiting and caring for people. Rev Debbie emphasised Sue's interest in the community and the way she always has a spring in her step and a smile on her face.

CONTINUING STEWARDS

Rev Debbie thanked all the stewards, Mrs Fiona Houghton in particular for taking on the role of Senior Steward when Sue moved to pastoral work at Withernsea and Elstronwick. It was noted that Mrs Fiona Houghton, Mr Andrew Bettley, Mrs Margaret Parker and Mrs Linda Whitton are all able and willing to continue serving as Church Stewards. Therefore

these four are reappointed. In addition Mrs Angie Meadley and Mr Robin Siddle continue to fulfil the roles of Church Life Stewards.

ELECTION OF NEW STEWARDS

Mrs Wendy Winfield had agreed to her name being put forward to become a Church Steward, formally proposed by Deacon Sue Langdale, seconded by Mr Andrew Bettley. Rev Debbie Lucas asked the Meeting to vote and this was carried unanimously.

Mr Bill Dixon had offered to return to the role of Church Steward, formally proposed by Mr Jim Maslen, seconded by Mrs Penny Dixon. Again, Rev Debbie Lucas asked the Meeting to vote and this was carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF CHURCH REPRESENTATIVES TO THE CHURCH COUNCIL

Mrs Pat Dyson is willing to continue as a Church Representative to the Church Council.

The two retiring stewards, Mr Jim Maslen and Deacon Sue Langdale are willing to serve on the Church Council as Church Representatives. Mr Jim Maslen was formally proposed by Mrs Penny Dixon, seconded by Mr Dennis Robson. Deacon Sue Langdale was formally proposed by Mrs Margaret Bettley, seconded by Mrs Fiona Houghton.

Mrs Ann Borrill had previously served on the Church Council as a representative of Mums and Tots. This group no longer meets but Ann said that she is willing to serve on the Church Council as a Church Representative, formally proposed by Mrs Margaret Parker, seconded by Mr Phil Langdale.

WRITTEN REPORTS FOR 2021 - 2022

The Reports had been made available both electronically and as paper copies. Rev Debbie Lucas thanked all who had written and submitted a report, and also thanks go to Mrs Jan Gay for collating them.

Amendments to the reports Mr Robin Siddle informed the Meeting that the installation of new high level heaters in the Hall would now be carried out on 16/06/22 rather than the original date of 16/05/22.

Rev Debbie Lucas asked those present to accept the Reports and all were in approval.

No other matters arising from the Reports

ITEMS RAISED CONCERNING THE LIFE AND WITNESS OF THE CHURCH

PROPERTY

- In connection with the realisation that the Church should consider the need for improving the heating system within the chapel, Mr Phil Langdale spoke about how we might be able to link in with the District Initiative to be Carbon Neutral by 2040. We have been made aware that a £3,000 survey of our property linked to this Initiative could be eligible for grant funding of between 50% and 100%. Adele Bowman, District Leader for this Initiative, is applying for this funding on our behalf.
- Mr Geoff Langley, Hedon Methodist Church, has been in touch re 'thermal imaging', technology that would enable us to see where our heat loss takes place. Geoff has arranged with Phil for a short visit to our Church to take place on Monday 23rd May at 6.30pm. Elliott Holland will demonstrate the equipment, something similar to a 'Smart' phone.
- Thanks were expressed to Mr Robin Siddle for all the ways in which he looks after our property. Realising the enormity of this task, it has been recognised recently that we need a team to support Robin in this work. Robin pointed out that he already gets a lot of support from Mr Ken Parker and Mr Ray Lloyd. Rev Debbie Lucas asked Mr Siddle if he was still happy to continue as Property Steward and Mr Siddle confirmed that he is.

COMMUNION STEWARDS

Rev Debbie Lucas informed the meeting that Mrs Pat Dyson and Mrs Joy Wiles are no longer able to serve as Communion Stewards. Mrs Fiona Houghton and Mrs Ann Borrill both volunteered to take on the role of Communion Steward and both were thanked for being willing to fill the vacancies.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- Mr Robin Siddle gave the Meeting details of the End of the Peer Show, a seaside variety show, organised for Saturday 2nd July. This will be a ticket-only event and there will be just one performance. It is hoped that the event will raise enough money to cover the cost of the new Hall heaters. Rev Debbie Lucas asked Robin to pass on our thanks to Mrs Helen Siddle who we know will be putting a lot of work into this event.
- Church Anniversary 12th March 2023 This will be led by Rev Richard Teal, ex-President of Conference. He is including this as one of his ex-Presidential appointments. There will be a pulpit-exchange as part of this arrangement.
- Harvest Festival 2022 There will be a Harvest Supper with entertainment on Saturday 1st October, organised by Robin and Helen Siddle. There had been a suggestion to ask the Chair of District, Rev Leslie Newton, to take the Harvest Service on Sunday 2nd October. Rev Debbie Lucas said that Harvest might be a good opportunity to work with the Guides to celebrate their recent 100th Anniversary of belonging to Sutton Methodist Church.
- A Platinum Jubilee Messy Church is being arranged by Mrs Angie Meadley for Thursday 2nd June, 2.00pm to 5.00pm.
- Pentecost Sunday 5th June Rev Debbie Lucas will be leading morning worship. Mrs Pat Dyson asked if there was a possibility of having a singing group on this special occasion. Mrs Wendy Winfield said she would look into this. In celebration of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee we discussed having cake with coffee after the service.

BRANSHOLME METHODIST CHURCH

Rev Debbie Lucas gave an update to the Meeting:

- The Quinquennial Inspection has been done.
- The Church has received grant money of £3,000 from the Council to replace the two damaged doors.
- Mrs Margaret and Mr Ken Parker had looked around the premises from a property perspective and various issues that require attention were noted.
- Nichola Seager will be running a Jubilee Party for Messy Church in the coming week.
- Rev Debbie Lucas is hoping that there will be a United Service at Bransholme sometime in July or August.

OUR CHURCH'S FUTURE STORY

A Toolkit publication for churches up and down the country is now available. These resources help churches to evaluate aspects of mission and to plan for the continuation of their mission. The resources link in with the 'Our Calling' statement.

MISCELLANEOUS OTHER BUSINESS

- Deacon Sue Langdale said that she was hoping to plan another Beetle Drive or a Quiz to revive the social life of our Church post-Pandemic. This would not necessarily be for fund-raising. Sue has been very involved with Elstronwick Church where quizzes have been held. The folks at Elstronwick are happy for their quiz resources to be re-used at Sutton. Sue also spoke about establishing a regular time in the

month for such events, such as the last Saturday in the month. She thought September 2022 might be a possible start date.

- Mrs Pat Dyson asked if the regular 'Meet and Eat' group might start up again soon. Mr Mike Winfield responded by saying how sad it had been that the Pandemic had brought this successful venture to a sudden halt. He felt that it was possibly a little too soon to reinstate it at the moment because it isn't an activity that is held on our own premises. One or two others agreed with him.
- Mrs Pat Dyson asked what had happened about the cleaning whilst Mrs Julie Lloyd had been poorly. Mrs Wendy Winfield explained that Mr Ray Lloyd had stepped in and made sure that the basics had been covered. Thankfully Julie is now much better and she is beginning to resume some light duties. There was a request from the Meeting that both Mr and Mrs Lloyd should receive a 'Thank you/message of appreciation' from the Church Family. Wendy said that she would do that in the form of a card.
- Deacon Sue Langdale highlighted the fact that there should be some support for Rev Debbie Lucas with regard to baptisms, i.e. a Cradle Roll Secretary. Responsibilities would include liaising with families and buying books and baptismal candles etc. Currently there is a baptism planned for a Sunday in July and there have been some enquiries for September. Deacon Sue said that once she had finished her pastoral role at Withernsea she would take on being our Cradle Roll Secretary. The baptism that had happened during the morning worship of May 15th had been a happy event and Mrs Linda Whitton's grandchildren had coped well with the unfamiliar surroundings of the Church. Rev Debbie Lucas asked us to encourage Linda by passing on our observations of how well the children had done.
- Mr Dennis Robson said that he had made some gentle contacts with Mr Colin Harker re 'Dial a Smile'. There haven't been any requests for 'Dial a Smile' but Dennis said this was possibly a good thing.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING

It was agreed that the next Annual Church Meeting would take place this time next year with **Sunday 14th May 2023** being a possibility.

CLOSING PRAYERS

The meeting closed at 1.55pm with the sharing of the Grace.

WW 08/06/22

SUTTON METHODIST CHURCH

Church Council Meeting held on Thursday 10 March 2022

Rev Debbie Opened the meeting with a prayer.

Apologies: A Borrill.

Present: Rev D Lucas, P & S Langdale, M & A Bettley, J Maslen, F Houghton, R Siddle, P Lumb, W Winfield, M Parker, B Dixon, P Dyson, A Meadley, H Ledger (Circuit Steward).

Items for other business:

A memorial service and the trees in the vacant property next door to the church.

Minutes of the previous meeting held 14 October 2021.

It was only the gas meter that was looked at. Minutes were proposed by P Langdale and seconded by M Parker and agreed as a true record.

Matters arising:

A letter of thanks to be sent to L Berry.

Finance Report:

This was delivered by P Langdale. The transfer of money as agreed previously to the PRF has been completed.

There is still £3000 from the Playgroup resources available.

The accounts are at audit and ready to be signed off.

There are problems with the HSBC Bank who are now introducing bank charges. It was proposed changing the accounts to Virgin. This was proposed by B Dixon and A Meadley and the change was agreed. It will need a name change for signing cheques. P Langdale and R Siddle as signatories plus P Dyson and B Dixon will be the signatories and two signatures are needed to sign cheques. R

Harker and L Berry will be taken off the signatory list. If we don't change banks the above signatories will be used.

British Gas costs – a new deal offered to change to a fixed 2 year contract to save 50%. There will be immediate increases. If the deal is still available it is worth following up.

Property Report:

The heating in the church hall is to be replaced with more efficient ones, this was agreed with the property committee and also the heating in the church will be looked at, but this needs to be compatible for renewable energy. Grants could be available and future fund raising. The church council agreed some sort of consultancy is required and if the opportunity arose, the church council agreed to pay a consultancy fee.

The Quinquennial Report is still to be received.

Stewards Report;

Sutton Methodist Church continues to follow the Covid update guidelines, we continue to use sanitiser and a preference for masks but not obligatory, Most of the Covid team wanted to keep using masks. S Langdale will put notices up for groups using the church.

The Stewards continue to meet on zoom. J Maslin desired to step down as steward and will remain until the Church General Meeting. Thanks were given to the stewards for all they do.

Pastoral Report:

M Bettley advised the Memorial Book is to be updated. Our church members now total 63.

Safeguarding Matters:

A new Safeguarding policy was presented to the Council and they were happy to approve the policy.

Church Life Matters:

The Sutton Methodist Church website is being updated. Mathew, Sue and Phil are onboard. The weekly notices will carry on. Phil mentioned the circuit laptop needs replacing.

The General Church Meeting:

The meeting will be held on Sunday 15 May. The deadline for the reports is the 1st May 2022.

Appointments:

J Maslen and S Langdale are stepping down as stewards.

P Dyson is taking on the Christian Aid.

Bransholme Matters:

The heating has failed, Rev Deb to follow up the repairs.

Following vandalism, two quotes for 2 reinforced new doors for Bransholme is £1400 to £5000. £3600 is a middle quote. Bransholme have £3000 at present. There are also some windows that need replacing.

Circuit News:

H Ledger updated the meeting on the circuit news.: M Grant has resigned as circuit steward. The advert is out for the Circuit Administrator.

There were no matters referred from Connexion/District.

Dates and Events:

On Saturday 2 July Robin is organising a seaside show, a singing and dancing extravaganza.

The Queens Jubilee, Other churches are doing their own thing, Rev Debbie suggested a tree to plant or the Queen Elizabeth Rose.

On Palm Sunday there will be a Messy Church Easter Egg Hunt.

On Maunday Thursday there will be a zoom type service and on Good Friday the Walk of Witness from Holderness Road church to St Columbus church.

On Easter Day the service at Sutton at 10.45.

Harvest Festival will be held on 2nd October.

Robin to organise a barn dance with a 3 course meal.

Sunday 12 February the Church Anniversary 2023. Rev Debbie to approach Richard Teal or Leslie Newton to take the service.

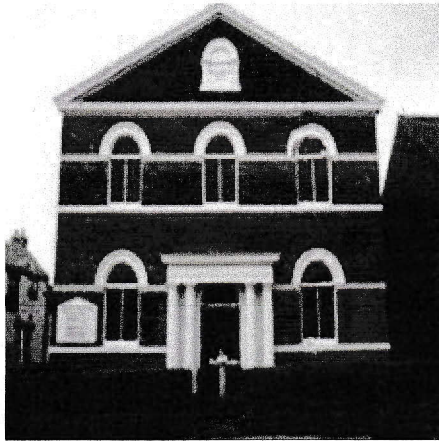
Any other Business:

A Memorial Service to be arranged in September/October.

Robin advised the conifer trees in the vacant property next to the church are overhanging onto church property. Robin to approach the neighbours.

Date and time of next meeting will be 13 October 2022 at 7.00 pm.

J Gay March 2022



SUTTON METHODIST CHURCH
ANNUAL CHURCH REPORTS – May 2022

ACTION FOR CHILDREN

Over the past year a generous sum of £455 has been donated by our church members through their home collection boxes. This does represent quite a significant drop in donations but also reflects the unusual times we have been through and changing attitudes to the use of cash.

Sadly, we have lost quite a few supporters over recent years and I would urge anyone who does not have a collection box to consider keeping one to relieve them of those annoying tiddlers (larger coins are always welcome of course)!

Many thanks to those who continue to support this amazing charity so loyally.

Margaret Parker

CHILDREN'S WORK.

MESSY CHURCH & CRAFT CLUB

Well, it's been another quite year for us all.

Over the year we have kept in touch with the Messy Church families through Facebook, Whats'app, text's and face to face when delivering craft bags or seeing them on walks.

Christmas 2021

We were hoping to have a Christmas Craft afternoon 19th December but the Omicron variant had other ideas, and so we cancelled with days to spare (which was becoming the norm).

On the afternoon of the 19th December I went round to children to take a gift bag full of Christmas crafts along with a selection box and sweets. The bags also had an orange and all the things they needed, including instructions to help make and explain why we make Christingles each year.

It was lovely to see the children and parents after so long. I had not even got home and was receiving messages of thanks and pictures of the children with their Christingles already made.

Easter 2022

Well, this was exciting at last, 2 years and 1 month since we last met together.

We held our first Messy Church Easter Craft Afternoon on Palm Sunday 10th April. We had 32 children along with their parents and grandparents, 60 people in total for tea and fellowship. Everyone arrived at 2pm and made all sorts of fluffy chick and bunny crafts, then decorated a couple of biscuits. Then it was time for the Easter egg hunt (what can I say, this was the quickest egg hunt I had ever organised – will have to do something to slow them down next year) they were like whippets, and back before we knew it. Keith Thomas then handed out the eggs to the children as he called the raffle numbers. We then started making crafts to celebrate the traditional and religious Easter, followed by a Palm Sunday service in the Church led by Keith. When they returned the hall had been turned into a large dining room and we all had food and fellowship together. The feeling by everyone was that this was a great afternoon, and we hadn't realised how much we all missed such events. We did think of and talk about Brenda Lewis through the afternoon as she loved Messy Church, bless her we felt her presence with us.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who helped and made this afternoon possible. It was enjoyed as much by us as it was the children and their families.

We would especially like to thank our team of regular Messy Church and Craft Club helpers who were back with us again. Wendy Winfield, Mabel Burrows, Ann Borrill, Phil Plumb and Eileen Edwards. Along with Keith

Thomas, Elaine and Steve Calver.

As this was so successful we are going to have a Platinum Jubilee craft afternoon for the children and their families, this will be nice too as some of the families were unable to join us for Easter. This will be held on Thursday afternoon 2nd June 2022. I thought most of us can remember where and what we were doing at the Queens Silver Jubilee in 1977. So, if we at Sutton Methodist Church can share this special time with the children and their families, they may remember it for years to come with fondness, how special is that.

Angie Meadley and Julie Lloyd

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Since last November the Wives and Friends have joined with the Women's fellowship on Thursday afternoons, enjoying meeting with 12 members.

We have speakers on alternate weeks and have discussions and quizzes and games in between.

It is good to support the various charities involved, and we hope to arrange a garden party in May for Christian Aid.

We would welcome any ladies interested in joining us.

Pat Dyson

PROPERTY REPORT

The Quinquennial Inspection was carried out on 16th November 2020 and didn't bring up any major issues.

On 19th March the conifers at the rear of the church, on the boundary of the house next door, were cut back as they were causing problems with the gutters and sky lights.

The heating system in the church hall has been causing problems to some users and the wall heaters are to be replaced on 16th May 2022.

Wendy has emailed the District Property Secretary to ask advice on the heating system as a whole.

FUND RAISING

The Harvest supper, held in October 2021 was organised as a social event but managed to make around £50 which was given to the Wedding Belles who came to entertain us. They gave this money to the Daisy Appeal who work to improve accuracy and detection rates for cancer, heart disease and dementia across the Hull and Humber region.

The Daisy Appeal is preparing to take ownership in the next few months of the £8.5 million radiochemistry and cyclotron unit at Castle Hill Hospital, Cottingham.

A Christmas Fair was held in November 2021 where a total of £971 was raised. This included money from Cash for Clothes and furniture sales accumulated before the event.

The Wedding Belles concert held in December 2021 brought in a further £315.

An End of the Pier show is being arranged for Saturday 2nd July 2022.

STEWARDS'S REPORT

The Stewards have continued to meet via Zoom on a regular basis (every 4-6 weeks) during the last year and we have also continued to work together with the Covid safety team of Wendy, Colin and Ruth. This has allowed us to discuss the practicalities of keep the church and church hall Covid-secure and to tackle any issues arising from the lettings which have resumed throughout the last 12 months.

Our thanks go once again to Angie for setting up, hosting and sending reminders about our Zoom meetings, but also for advertising the many other events (worship services, Thursday prayer meetings and Lent study groups, to name just some) which are a large part of church life. This very important work is key in keeping our church community to stay connected, as is the distribution of paper copies on a monthly basis by Angie, Margaret and their team. The sharing of information and worship content is greatly appreciated particularly by those who have as yet felt unable to return to physical attendance at chapel following the pandemic.

Once again, the knitting and messages displayed on the church hedges for special occasions has continued to bring pleasure to many in the community and we greatly appreciate the effort that goes into creating these goody bags to help spread our message of love and hope.

This year will see significant change for the Stewards' team as we regretfully share the news that both Sue and Jim will be stepping down from their Steward positions at the AGM. We would like to record our gratitude and thanks for their many years of dedicated service and hard work, and we will miss their support. This, of course, creates the opportunity for new members to join the team of remaining stewards and we very much hope and pray that by the time this report goes to print some of you may be considering taking on the role of steward and contributing to this vital part of church life and may be ready to offer your service. Your support will be warmly welcomed!

Fiona Houghton

JMA – JUNIOR MISSION FOR ALL

We have 9 collectors; during the year to 31 August 2021 we raised £265.00.

I would welcome any new collectors, children and adults, to support the important work of mission.

Andrew Bettley

1st SUTTON, RAINBOWS, BROWNIES AND GUIDES

The last 12 months have definitely been a challenging time for all the Guide units as we learned how to run our meetings with the restrictions surrounding COVID while still trying to make the activities fun and engaging. The Rainbows now have a new team of leaders and like the Brownies, the two units are full and thriving. The Guide section is struggling with both girls and leaders and, had we not been lucky enough to secure Kirsty Parker as a new volunteer the Guide section, would have

had to close. We only have six girls in this section at present but now hope to recruit more. Unfortunately, the Ranger section has now closed as girls who had previously attended did not return after the long closure due to the pandemic and sadly new girls did not come forward to join.

We are busy following the new Guiding programme introduced in 2019 and we have some girls who are very enthusiastic and have achieved a number of badges. Other girls are equally happy to come along on Monday evenings and join in with the activities on offer but have little interest in badge work outside of the meeting.

We encourage all the girls to enjoy Guiding in whatever way they wish.

We have kept our meetings to the church hall over the last 12 months as COVID restrictions made it hard to plan any trips or evenings out in the community. We hope over the next year to return to some evenings out and a trip to the bowling alley is already in our calendar.

We would still benefit from new volunteers in all the sections, especially Guides so any support would be welcome.

MUSIC IN THE CHURCH

When I wrote my Music Report last year, congregational singing was still not permissible under the government guidelines that were in place at that point. In time those guidelines were changed and we began to sing again! I know that singing from inside a mask is quite challenging, but I have to say that, despite this, our congregation has still made a really good sound and enjoyed praising the Lord.

In my last report I mentioned that the organ was well overdue a visit from the organ builder for tuning and general maintenance. Eventually a visit was made by Andrew Carter in the middle of October. He was able to give the organ the equivalent of an MOT. More recently, following the closure of Keyingham Methodist Church, our church has given Keyingham's electric piano a new home. The electric piano has a nice bright sound to lead congregational singing. The piano that had previously been in the church was moved into the Primary Room where it can be used for other meetings or rehearsals.

After a break of almost two years, due to the disruption caused by the Pandemic, we are pleased to welcome Matthew back to playing the piano

for some of our worship services. We congratulate Matthew on achieving his Grade 8 back in the Spring of 2021. He is now concentrating on further piano studies, working towards an ATCL (Associate of Trinity College London) qualification.

We thank Robin and Helen for calling on the singing talents of 'The Wedding Belles' to provide entertainment for the Harvest Supper last year, and also for a pre-Christmas concert in December. Robin is now planning a community concert for Saturday 2nd July 2022 which will involve a whole range of performers in bringing us 'The Show at the End of the Pier, Sutton-on-Sea'. (Forgive me, Robin, if I haven't got the title word perfect!)

Wendy Winfield

TREASURERS REPORT

The pandemic still had an impact on church finances for our last full fiscal year which ended on 31st August 2021. Whilst collections rose from £24955 to £26305 and gift aid rose from £5170 to £5997, we still saw a decline in other forms of income. We were unable to hold fayres and the pantomime which resulted in a loss of income of £2500 over the previous year. Rental income suffered and was down in the region of £4000.

On the other hand, we did spend less money, energy and water costs were down by £2900, other property costs by £2400.

The overall effect was that we continued to spend more than we are raising in income. In the previous fiscal year, we overspent by £6211, this year by £4898. This is in despite of transfers from the Pre-school funds (which is in effect a reduction of reserves) of £6000 in each year. So, in the cold light of day, we have reduced our reserves by £23109 in two years.

If we move onto this fiscal year the half year results collections were up by £745, fayres and other donations by £559 and rental income by £3752. Our expenses were helped in that the Circuit gave a one off 10% reduction in the assessment of £3600. The Circuit had been unable to recruit a Local Pastor for the coastal section as well as not recruiting a Circuit Administrator. The Circuit Leadership Team felt that these savings should be given back to churches rather than be kept in Circuit reserves. With the opening up we did spend more on property expenses.

In a normal fiscal year, it costs £1000 per week to run Sutton Methodist Church. Our collections raise £506pw, gift aid £115pw, fayres etc £70 pw rentals £105 pw. The total from these income streams is £796 pw a shortfall of £204 pw which comes from our reserves unless of course we can grow our income.

There are some thanks due to a number of people who help with church finances. Jim Maslen who counts and banks the collections, to Andrew Bettley who diligently completes the gift aid claims and Bill Dixon who administers our envelope scheme.

Finally, if you are a taxpayer and you do not gift aid your offerings, please see Andrew. He will do all the paperwork; all he needs from you is your signature. For every £1 given under gift aid Andrew can claim back from the taxman twenty-five pence. If you wish to give using the envelope scheme, please see Bill. Many of our folk give by bank transfer, if that method of giving appeals to you please see me.

Phil Langdale – Church Treasurer.

J Gay

May 2022

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

SUTTON METHODIST	Church
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FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2022

SOUTH HOLDERNESS	Circuit	Circuit no.	29/32
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1179285

**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.Lucas

Church Stewards:

Mrs F.Houghton
Mrs M.Parker
Mrs L.Whitton
Mr A.Bettley
Mrs W.Winfield
Mr W.Dixon

Treasurer:

Mr P.J.Langdale

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered			33,579	32,582
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income			165	87
a4	Lettings			16,249	7,776
a5	Other receipts			2,923	1,012
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS			52,916 (a7)	41,457
SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share			32,400	36,000
b3	Donations			2,477	2,674
b4	Repairs and Maintenance			2,334	683
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)			6,352	4,745
b6	Pension Fund			4,400	
b7	Other payments			3,894	2,253
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS			51,857 (b9)	46,355
SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)		1,059	(4,898)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year			67,551 (c6)	72,449
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)		68,610	67,551
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(c7)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)		68,610 (c8)	67,551 (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)			£	£
d1	Balance brought forward from last year				
d2	Offerings/Gifts - received for external organisations			266	750
d3	Offerings/Gifts - passed to external organisations			266	750
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 2022 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	Pre School	74	6,000	(5,926)		25,639	19,713
e2							
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	74	6,000	(5,926)		25,639 (e11)	19,713 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	52,916 (a7)	51,857 (b9)	1,059	(c7)	67,551 (c6)	68,610 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	52,990	57,857	(4,867)		93,190 (x)	88,323 (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 2022**

	OPENING BALANCES	CLOSING BALANCES
f1 Cash in hand	25	54
f2 Bank Current Account	18,933	15,200
f3 Bank Deposit Account		
f4 Central Finance Board	17,612	22,379
f5 Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes	30,981	30,977
f6 Other funds		
f7 SUB TOTAL - Church accounts	67,551 (c6)	68,610 (c8)
f8 Total funds held by Internal Organisations (the closing balance total from above) (e12)	25,639 (e11)	19,713 (e12)
f9 TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	93,190 (x)	88,323 (y)

SECTION G**OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES**

	At 1 September 2021	At 31 August 2022
g1 Investments (include Endowments)		
g2 Land & Buildings (see notes re Insurance value)		
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 Sutton Methodist No. 29132

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 P. J. Clegg Date 31/01/22

Name and address of treasurer 20 BARBARA CLOSE
HULL Post Code HU8 9JB

Presentation to the Church trustees

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022 were/will be* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on 9/3/2023

Signature of the Chair of the meeting D. M. Lucas

Name of the Chair of the meeting REV DEBORAH LUCAS Date 9th March 2023

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

SUTTON METHODIST Church

Charity Number 1179285

Responsibilities and basis of report

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the SUTTON 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.

Name of Church SUTTON METHODIST No

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 DAVID GRAY

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner NLFA

Name of firm (where appropriate) DAVID GRAY

Address GRAYS' STORES

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..... THORNGUMBALD Post Code

Date 27th February 2023 HULL HU12 9LS

* delete or circle as appropriate

~~September 2021~~