



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Trustees' Annual Report for the period:

From 1st September 2020 Period start date

To 31st August 2021 Period end date

Charity name: Ivybridge Methodist Church

Charity registration number: 1192612

Objectives and Activities

	SORP reference	
Summary of the purposes of the charity as set out in its governing document	Para 1.17	The deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976) are the governing documents. The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the date of union the advancement of- a) the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of the Methodist Church; b) any charitable purpose for the time being of any Connexional, district, circuit, local or other organisation of the Methodist Church; c) any charitable purpose for the time being of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church; d) any purpose for the time being of any charity being a charity subsidiary to the Methodist Church.
Summary of the main activities in relation to those purposes for the public benefit, in particular, the activities, projects or services identified in the accounts.	Para 1.17 and 1.19	Ivybridge Methodist Church provides buildings, facilities, a place for worship (including live-streaming services), the general advancement of the Christian faith, Christian education, pastoral care, evangelising, maintaining the church building, conducting Christian services, such as funerals, marriages, welcoming new children and raising awareness of the Christian faith.
Statement confirming whether the trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit	Para 1.18	Yes the trustees have regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit and always seek to fulfil that to the best of their ability within the guidance of its governing document.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

	SORP reference	
Policy on grant making	Para 1.38	No grants have been made by Ivybridge Methodist Church.
Policy on social investment including program related investment	Para 1.38	Ivybridge Methodist Church has no social investments.
Contribution made by volunteers	Para 1.38	The contribution of volunteers is essential to the work of the charity. Volunteers undergo DBS checks where appropriate. Together they contribute 5000+ hours of service per year. Without them the charity would be unable to provide services to our Church and community. They are involved in diverse areas from bookings management to youth work and group leaders to providing technology for worship service live streaming.
Other		

Achievements and Performance

	SORP reference	
Summary of the main achievements of the charity, identifying the difference the charity's work has made to the circumstances of its beneficiaries and any wider benefits to society as a whole.	Para 1.20	The Charity's main focus is a place for services of worship for its fellowship and surrounding community. To also offer the sacraments of baptism, marriages and funerals to the community. The charity also seeks to build up the fellowship and serve the community – such as, community lunches are held weekly, offering food, conversation and listening ears to all who attend and other groups (both spiritual and secular) for young and old to further develop this aim and achievement. During the pandemic face to face meetings had to cease at times but, via technology and telephone, pastoral care and worship services were maintained.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Achievements against objectives set	Para 1.41	The main objective of the Charity is to be a body of people committed to following Jesus Christ and to enable others to explore what this might mean for them.
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		To also ensure all have every opportunity of joining in the established fellowship. We have five guiding aims namely: Providing accessible worship, Sharing the Good News, Encouraging Spiritual growth, Blessing our community and being a Church family and these guide our ongoing strategy.
Performance of fundraising activities against objectives set	Para 1.41	We receive our funding via donations from the fellowship, gift aid, rental income and VAT refunds. During this year with all its challenges we maintained enough funding to remain financially stable.
Investment performance against objectives	Para 1.41	Ivybridge Methodist Church holds no investments.
Other		

Financial Review

Review of the charity's financial position at the end of the period	Para 1.21	On looking back over 2020/21 in a pandemic year IMC fellowship has been blessed by the Lord to have ended this financial year with a healthy bank balance - £56,127, which less the reserve of £26,000 leaves unallocated £30,127.
Statement explaining the policy for holding reserves stating why they are held	Para 1.22	The reserve policy is circa a quarter of Ivybridge Methodist Church annual expenditure. This should provide sufficient time to enable the trustees to rectify any financial jeopardy due to either falling income, rising expenditure or a combination of both.
Amount of reserves held	Para 1.22	£26,000
Reasons for holding zero reserves	Para 1.22	Not applicable.
Details of fund materially in deficit	Para 1.24	Not applicable.
Explanation of any uncertainties about the charity continuing as a going concern	Para 1.23	No financial concerns re the viability of the charity.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

The charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising)	Para 1.47	The principle sources are donors who are largely church attendees who contribute either by standing order, weekly envelopes or cash in the church collection. As many of these donations are from UK tax payers, IMC claims the gift aid.
Investment policy and objectives including any social investment policy adopted	Para 1.46	If IMC had investments then it would comply with the Methodist Church investment policy.
A description of the principal risks facing the charity	Para 1.46	We have completed the Methodist Insurance Risk Assessment and keep it under regular review. Our principal risks are: 1) A large fall in fellowship numbers that could impact donations. 2) A major safeguarding problem.
Other		

Structure, Governance and Management

Description of charity's trusts:		Not applicable.
Type of governing document (trust deed, royal charter)	Para 1.25	The deed of Union (1932) and Methodist Church Act (1976)
How is the charity constituted? (e.g unincorporated association, CIO)	Para 1.25	1976 Methodist Church Act authorises the Methodist Conference as the governing body
Trustee selection methods including details of any constitutional provisions e.g. election to post or name of any person or body entitled to appoint one or more trustees	Para 1.25	Trustees (Stewards) are appointed by the Annual Church meeting from nominations received from the Church membership. Other Trustees are appointed by the Church Council as per Methodist rules. The only Trustee not appointed in this way is the Chair (the Minister) who is selected by the Circuit and appointed by the Conference of the Methodist Church.

Additional information (optional)

You may choose to include further statements where relevant about:

Policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees	Para 1.51	The Methodist Church Trustee Eligibility Declaration with Addendum 1 and Addendum 2 – Ivybridge Methodist Church – Guidance and Policies.
The charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works	Para 1.51	The national Methodist Church/The Connexional is the governing charity that devolves responsibility via local District & circuit charities that are formed from individual Methodist Churches. Ivybridge Methodist Church is governed by the Church Council, who all are trustees.
Relationship with any related parties	Para 1.51	The Church hosts the office of the local Youth for Christ team and the local Food Bank under annual license as prescribed by TMCP (Trustees of Methodist Church Purposes).
Other		

Reference and Administrative details

Charity name	Ivybridge Methodist Church
Other name the charity uses	IMC, Ivybridge Methodist Church Trustees
Registered charity number	1192612
Charity's principal address	Ivybridge Methodist Church, Fore Street, Ivybridge, Devon PL21 9AB

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	Rev Mark Lawrence	Minister	Ended 31 st August 2021	Methodist Conference
2	Lindsey Reid	Secretary	From March 2021	Church council
3	Robin Duckering	Treasurer		Church AGM
4	Valerie Marriott	Administrator		Church AGM
5	Reg Marriott	Senior Steward		Church council
6	Alison White	Senior Steward		Church AGM
7	Christine Gentle	Steward		Church AGM
8	David Bithell	Steward		Church AGM
9	David Rowe	Steward		Church AGM
10	Tony Merriman	Steward		Church AGM
11	Lynn Allen	Steward		Church council
12	Carol Mitchell	Pastoral Secretary		Church council
13	Chris Phillips	Property Steward		Church council
14	Andrew Phillips	Youth Vision Fund		Church council
15	Sara Hladkij	Safeguarding Officer		Church council
16	Barry Jury	Congregational Rep		Church council
17	Maureen Scoble	Congregational Rep		Church council
18	Judy Jago	Congregational Rep		Church council
19	Madeline Allen	Congregational Rep		Church council
20	Stephen Gill	Congregational Rep		Church council

Corporate trustees – names of the directors at the date the report was approved

Director name		
Not applicable		

Name of trustees holding title to property belonging to the charity

Trustee name	Dates acted if not for whole year	
Trustees for the Methodist Church Purposes		

Funds held as custodian trustees on behalf of others

Description of the assets held in this capacity	Not applicable
Name and objects of the charity on whose behalf the assets are held and how this falls within the custodian charity's objects	
Details of arrangements for safe custody and segregation of such assets from the charity's own assets	

Additional information (optional)

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

Name of chief executive or names of senior staff members (Optional information)

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Exemptions from disclosure

Reason for non-disclosure of key personnel details

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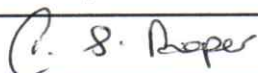
Other optional information

Rev Amanda Roper is the new Minister for Ivybridge Methodist Church and took up role from the 1st September 2021.

Declarations

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)		
Full name(s)	Rev Amanda Roper	Reg Marriott
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Minister and Chair	Joint Senior Steward
Date	11 th May 2022.	

THE METHODIST CHURCH STANDARD FORM OF ACCOUNTS

IVYBRIDGE METHODIST CHURCH

FOR THE YEAR ENDED

31 August 2021

PLYMOUTH and DEVONPORT CIRCUIT	Circuit no	24/1
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Registered Charity - Charity Registration number

1192612

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. Amanda Roper

Church Stewards:

Reg Marriott

Alison White

Dave Rowe

David Bithell

Chris Gentle

Tony Merriman

Treasurer:

Robin Duckering

**IVYBRIDGE
METHODIST CHURCH**

SECTION A		Unrestricted Funds	Restricted Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£	£	£	£
a1	RECEIPTS	Note			
a2	Offerings and Tax recovered	58,685	7,888	66,573	92,132
a3	Bank and CFB interest and Investment income	59		59	206
a4	Lettings	3,402		3,402	9,650
a5	Other receipts	44,441		44,441	17,570
a6	TOTAL RECEIPTS	106,587	7,888	114,475 (a7)	119,558

SECTION B					
b1	PAYMENTS				
b2	Circuit Assessment or Share	46,015		46,015	47,453
b3	Donations	6,893	12,725	19,617	11,485
b4	Repairs and Maintenance	28,386		28,386	16,057
b5	Utilities (Insurances, water charges, heating & lighting)	9,738		9,738	8,282
b6					
b7	Other payments	15,666		15,666	8,661
b8	TOTAL PAYMENTS	106,698	12,725	119,422 (b9)	91,938

SECTION C					
c1	NET RECEIPTS/PAYMENTS FOR THE YEAR	(a6-b8)	(111)	(4,837)	(4,948)
c2	Total funds brought forward from last year	60,875	200	61,075 (c6)	35,145
c3	Sub total	(c1+c2)	60,763	(4,637)	56,127
c4	Transfers and adjustments				(1,690)
c5	TOTAL FUNDS AT END OF YEAR	(c3+c4)	60,763	(4,637)	56,127 (c8)

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

(d1+d2-d3)

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

SECTION E

Please follow the Guidance Notes to complete this page

Summary of the Church accounts for the year ended 31 August 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	Youth Vision Fund Account	15,575	19,280	(3,705)		12,824	9,119
e2							
e3							
e4							
e5							
e6							
e7							
e8	Sub total of Internal Organisations funds	15,575	19,280	(3,705)		12,824 (e11)	9,119 (e12)
e9	Church accounts (totals brought forward from page 2 - totals column)	114,475 (a7)	119,422 (b9)	(4,948)	(c7)	61,075 (c6)	56,127 (c8)
e10	TOTAL CASH FUNDS HELD BY CHURCH	130,050	138,703	(8,653)		73,899 (x)	65,246 (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		
f2	17,574	20,047
f3		
f4	43,501	36,079
f5		
f6		
f7	61,075 (c6)	56,127 (c8)
f8	12,824 (e11)	9,119 (e12)
f9	73,899 (x)	65,246 (y)

SECTION G

OTHER ASSETS and LIABILITIES

	At 13 February 2021	At 27-Feb-20
g1		
g2	8,047,781	8,039,793
g3	154,765	154,611
g4		
g5		

f4 Include only Funds held at the Central Finance Board
f5 Include only Funds held at Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
g1 Include any other investments (not the cash element of TMCP trusts accounts this is included in line f5)

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

I confirm that I have prepared the accounts from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church Council

Signature of Treasurer



Date

28/9/21

Name

Robin Duckering

Address

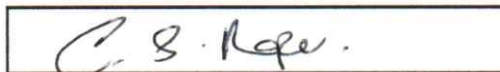
6 Scoldens Close, Modbury, Devon, PL21 0SN

Presentation to the *Church Council for approval.

I confirm that the Accounts have been presented to the Church Council on
and were approved.

6/10/21

Signature of the Chair of the meeting



Name of the Chair of the meeting

Rev Amanda Roper

Date

6/10/21

Independent Examiner's Report to the Trustees of the

Ivybridge Methodist Church

This Report is on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August

2021

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

The charity's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year under section 144 of the Charities Act 2011 (the Charities Act) and that an independent examination is needed.

It is my responsibility to:

- < Examine the accounts under Section 145 of the Charities Act
- < to follow the procedures laid down in the general Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the Charities Act), and
- < to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with general Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from the trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair' view and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention (other than that disclosed below*):

(1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:

- to keep accounting records in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act;
- to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act have not been met; or

(2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply appropriate*

(3) I ~~have~~/have not* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes ("TMCP") or held in other Trusts, Bank balances and Funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church ("CFB"), which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

** Please circle as appropriate*

Name

ALE+ HAMMARSTON

Signature

Relevant Professional qualification or body

Address

6 CROWWELL PARK
MOSBURY DEWON PL210RS

Date

15-01-2022