

**THE METHODIST CHURCH
BARNSELEY SOUTH**

REPORT AND ACCOUNTS

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

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TRUSTEES' REPORT AND ACCOUNTS
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LEGAL AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

Principal Office: Emmanuel Methodist Church
Huddersfield Road
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Registered Charity Number: 1193107

Trustees:

Minister	Revd Mick Neal
Lay Worker	Ellie Peet
Secretary	Debbie Evans
Treasurer	Vacant
Safeguarding	Hilary Simmons
Circuit Leadership Team Rep	Michael Sanderson

Representatives from each chapel:

Pilley	Barbara Tewson George Tewson
Hoyland and Birdwell	Margaret Beardsall Mavis Kitchen Kath Bodill
Wombwell	June Kilner Leslie Cooling Margaret McHale
Valley Darfield	Barbara Marsden – <i>resigned Feb-22</i> Susan Kaye – <i>resigned Feb-22</i>
Darfield Wesley	Alice Gledhill Bill Platts Beryl Platts
Great Houghton	Maureen Roebuck Joan Haywood

Principal Bankers: HSBC
5 Market Hill
Barnsley S70 2PY

Independent Examiner: Angela Hayes
Community Accountant
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The Trustees of The Methodist Church Barnley South submit their Annual Report and Financial Statements for the year ended 31 August 2022. The Trustees have prepared the accounts on a Receipts and Payments basis, in accordance with the provisions of the Charities Act 2011, pertaining to smaller charities.

The Methodist Church Barnley South was registered with the Charity Commission on 13th January 2021, registered charity number 1193107. Previously the Church was exempt from registration with the Charity Commission, under Statutory Instrument Number 2655 of 2007.

Structure, Governance and Management

As part of the Methodist Church, the charity is governed by the Deed of Union (1932) and the Methodist Church Act (1976). The governing documents are contained in "The Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church".

The Methodist Church Barnley South consists of seven chapels in the communities of Birdwell, Darfield Wesley, Great Houghton, Hoyland, Pilley, Valley Darfield and Wombwell.

The Trustees of the charity are the members of the Church Council. The Church Council has authority and oversight over the whole area of the ministry of the church, including the management of its property. The council is responsible for leadership and the determination and pursuit of policy and the deployment of available resources.

Trustees are elected to the Church Council at the General Church Meeting and eligibility for appointment is set out in the Constitution.

The Trustees who served during the period, and to the date of signing of this report, are listed on page 3 of this report.

Charitable Objectives

The purposes of the Methodist Church are, and shall be deemed to have been, since the date of the Union:

The advancement of:

- a) The Christian Faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and discipline of the Methodist Church.
- b) Any charitable purpose of any connexional district, circuit, local or other organisation of the Methodist Church.
- c) Any charitable purpose of any society or institution subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.
- d) Any purpose of any charity being a charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

Public Benefit

The trustees have taken due regard of guidance on public benefit published by the Charity Commission in planning the objectives and activities for the year.

Related parties

The charity is part of the Methodist Church and is a member of the Barnsley Methodist Circuit (registered charity number 1135240). The Methodist Circuit provides resources and employs the ministers and lay workers. The Circuit also maintains the fabric of the properties and arranges the finances for the maintenance of the member churches. The charity contributes to the cost of the Circuit through a levy known as the Circuit Assessment.

Mission Statement

The mission of the Methodist Church Barnsley South is to share the gospel of Jesus Christ by encouraging, resourcing and enabling the people and chapels of the area to serve their communities and the wider world.

We will do this by:

- Seeking to be a welcoming presence within our local communities.
- Offering worship that is accessible, appropriate and relevant in which the Gospel of Jesus Christ is proclaimed.
- Offering space and opportunities for fellowship through spiritual and secular activities.
- Ensuring our premises are well maintained and available for use by the community.
- Offering support and care through our pastoral ministry and rites of passage.
- Supporting the wider church through our ecumenical partnerships.
- Committing to give active and practical support to the needs in the wider world.

Activities and achievements

The Methodist Church Barnsley South seeks to share the gospel of Christ in the communities it serves. It maintains a Christian presence in the communities of Birdwell, Darfield Wesley, Great Houghton, Hoyland, Pilley, and Wombwell by:

- Holding four meetings of the Church Council each year to oversee the work of the Church and identify opportunities for mission – and other meetings as necessary for other groups.
- Maintaining a presence in local communities through our worship and making premises available for wider use.
- Holding regular worship in our chapels with occasional shared services.
- Sharing information about the needs of the communities we serve and events in the wider world.
- Joining in ecumenical partnerships in Hoyland and Birdwell, Wombwell and Darfield which also include arranging shared activities.

At the end of August 2021, the Hoyland chapel closed and the congregation joined with Birdwell who together formed the Hoyland and Birdwell Chapel from September 1st. This has been a year for integration and development and we have seen positive progress in the growth of the congregation and new work supported by the Community Link Worker.

As we have come out from the Covid restrictions, each chapel has looked at the activities they are able to offer and still maintain some restrictions for the safety of congregations and user groups. Whilst this has meant that in some cases our congregations have not fully recovered, many group activities were up and running by the end of the year.

Sadly, at a chapel meeting in December 2021 the members of Valley Darfield Chapel made the difficult decision to close. Financially the chapel was in a difficult situation and although members felt they could address this in the immediate term, there was not sufficient people or energy to be sustainable in the long term. There was a good congregation for the final service, held at the end of February 2022.

We have continued to maintain regular contact with all our members through our Pastoral Visitors and regularly review the pastoral needs of our congregations. We are pleased to record that at Hoyland and Birdwell, Wombwell and Great Houghton we have received new members during this year who are all making a valuable contribution to our church life.

We have joined the Circuit in following the Holy Habits programme and have also tried to become involved in the Circuit Mission Plan that was published in September 2021.

The Church Council continues to make sure that regular reports about property are received and that any maintenance work is completed as required.

Policy on reserves

The trustees have established their mission aims, taking into account all of the resources available, in terms of people, property and money. Mission initiatives/projects have been costed to take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the Quinquennial Inspection Reports.

Based on expenditure for the year September 2021 to August 2022, it should be noted that this figure was significantly increased by a one-off contribution to the Methodist Fund (contribution to pension deficit) and also by the impact of returning to 'normal' following the Covid-19 pandemic. Income in the year was reduced due to the pandemic as some people have not returned and levels of voluntary giving are still lower than they were prior to March 2022. We have closed two chapels during the year (Hoyland and Valley Darfield) which has had an additional impact. We are also anticipating challenges in 2022-23 with significant increases in energy costs.

On this basis it is likely that expenditure will be similar in this coming year and therefore the trustees feel it prudent to ensure that there are reserves to cover costs for 6 months, the Church will work to maintain reserves of approximately £66,000.

At the end of the financial year the reserves stand at £90,869, giving surplus reserves of £24,869.

The trustees plan to use reserves to resource mission and to strengthen relationships within the multi-site Barnsley South Methodist Church as follows:

- Ensuring all five chapel buildings are fit for purpose and meet health and safety requirements. (a review of properties and access audit will be carried out in 2022-23 to identify needs).
- Funding resources for worship, study and training where required.

The financial resources of all five chapels are held in a central bank account. The trustees are discussing how to share resources in a way which equips each chapel for mission in its local community and also enables the church to jointly fund shared initiatives. The trustees acknowledge that following the pandemic some chapels are financially vulnerable and steps will be taken in the coming year to strengthen this position.

Risk management

The Trustees are responsible for identifying and managing risk. The Trustees monitor and review the activities of the charity to ensure that risks are identified and that procedures have been put in place to mitigate those risks.

Financial review

During this year, a number of members have sadly died and this has resulted in some significant reductions in income. This is being carefully monitored. We are also living in a period of uncertainty due to the Covid-19 pandemic and will continue to monitor our financial position.

Statement of Trustee responsibility

The trustees are responsible for keeping proper accounting records that disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011 and the provisions of the trust deed.

The trustees are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

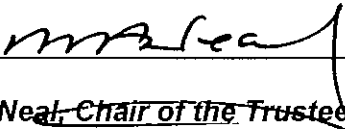
Statement of disclosure to Independent Examiner

The Trustees certify that:

- So far as we are aware, there is no relevant information of which the Independent Examiner is unaware; and
- As the Trustees we have taken all the steps that we ought to have taken in order to make ourselves aware of any relevant information and to establish that the charity's Independent Examiner is aware of that information.

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

Signed on behalf of the Trustees:

Signed  Date: 31 October 2022
Rev Mick Neal, Chair of the Trustees

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INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 August 2022, which are set out on pages 9 to 15.

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 material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act, or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

I have no concerns and I have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed Angela Hayes Dated: 31 October 2022

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RECEIPTS & PAYMENTS ACCOUNT

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 £
Receipts					
Voluntary Receipts:					
Offerings & tax recovered	2a	52,676	-	52,676	57,398
Grants	2b	500	-	500	-
Donations & appeals	2c	9,108	-	9,108	16,377
Legacies/bequests	2d	3,716	-	3,716	-
Receipts from fundraising activities	2e	12,005	-	12,005	3,114
Receipts from Church activities	2f	20,897	3,047	23,944	2,923
Receipts from investments	2g	308	-	308	173
Other receipts	2h	15,519	-	15,519	1,756
Total Receipts		114,729	3,047	117,776	81,741
Payments					
Church activities	3a	103,327	2,633	105,960	79,788
Capital projects & major works	3b	12,534	-	12,534	415
Other payments	3c	15,482	-	15,482	-
Total Payments		131,343	2,633	133,976	80,203
Excess of receipts over payments		(16,614)	414	(16,200)	1,538
Transfers & adjustments (prior year adjustment)		-	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(16,614)	414	(16,200)	1,538
Total funds brought forward	8	107,483	1,928	109,411	107,873
Total funds carried forward	8	90,869	2,342	93,211	109,411

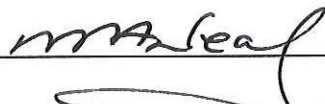
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STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES

YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2022

	Note	2022 £	2021 £
Monetary Assets			
Cash in hand		-	-
Bank Current Accounts		14,936	37,024
Central Finance Board		30,676	28,980
TMCP		45,257	41,479
Total		<u>90,869</u>	<u>107,483</u>
Add Funds held by internal organisations	6	2,342	1,928
Less funds held on behalf of external organisations	7	-	-
Total cash funds held		<u>93,211</u>	<u>109,411</u>

Approved by the Church Council and signed on their behalf by:

Signed:  Date: 31 October 2022
Rev Mick Neal, Chair of the Trustees

1. Accounting policies

Basis of the preparation of the accounts

The financial statements have been prepared using the Receipts & Payments basis, and in accordance with applicable accounting standards and the requirements of the Charity Commission. This form of accounts is available to non-company charities with an annual income less than £250,000.

Receipts & Payments Accounts are statements that summarise the movement of cash into and out of the charity during the financial year. In this context, 'cash' includes cash equivalents, for example bank accounts where cash can be readily withdrawn to pay for debts as they become due.

Funds Structure

Unrestricted funds

Represents funds which are expendable at the discretion of the members in furtherance of the objects of the charity.

Restricted funds

Restricted funds are those funds that have been provided to the charity for particular purposes and which may only be spent for the purposes for which they were given. Any balance remaining unspent at the end of the year is carried forward as a balance on the fund, unless permission is given by the funder to remove the restriction on the balance outstanding.

Restricted funds are linked to specific Chapels and are to be use as set out by the funder/donor.

Endowment funds

The Church has no endowment funds at the present time.

Income

All incoming resources are recognised when they are receivable and are accounted for gross.

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2. Analysis of Receipts

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
2a Offerings & Tax Recovered				
Regular giving	10,875	-	10,875	10,741
Collections	31,523	-	31,523	37,812
Baptism/wedding collections	1,892	-	1,892	1,102
Gift Aid Tax Recovered	8,386	-	8,386	7,743
Total	52,676	-	52,676	57,398
Other Voluntary Receipts				
2b Grants	500	-	500	-
2c Donations & appeals	9,108	-	9,108	16,377
2d Legacies/bequests	3,716	-	3,716	-
Total	13,324	-	13,324	16,377
2e Receipts from Fundraising Activities				
Fundraising	12,005	-	12,005	3,114
Total	12,005	-	12,005	3,114
2f Receipts from Church Activities				
Lettings & fees	20,897	-	20,897	2,633
Internal organisations	-	3,047	3,047	290
Birdwell kids clubs	-	-	-	-
Total	20,897	3,047	23,944	2,923
2g Receipts from investments				
Interest received	308	-	308	173
2h Other receipts				
Insurance claim (Hoyland)	-	-	-	315
Refunds re Hoyland sale	15,519	-	15,519	-
Rebates & miscellaneous	-	-	-	1,441
Total	15,519	-	15,519	1,756
Total Receipts	114,729	3,047	117,776	81,741

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS continued

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3. Analysis of Payments

Note	Unrestricted Funds £	Restricted Funds £	2022 Total Funds £	2021 Total Funds £
3a Cost of Church Activities				
Missionary & charitable giving	1,251	-	1,251	932
Connexional funds	2,127	-	2,127	2,127
Circuit Assessment	58,240	-	58,240	50,368
Heating & Lighting	16,202	-	16,202	8,116
Insurance	8,140	-	8,140	8,780
Water rates	1,156	-	1,156	650
Repairs, maintenance & cleaning	13,289	-	13,289	5,815
Staff costs	-	-	-	-
Admin expenses	2,297	-	2,297	1,790
Internal organisations	-	2,633	2,633	1,198
Other payments	625	-	625	12
Total	103,327	2,633	105,960	79,788
3b Major Works				
Audio Visual systems - Hoyland & Birdwell	12,534	-	12,534	-
Insurance works	-	-	-	415
Total	12,534	-	12,534	415
3c Other Payments				
Contribution to pension fund deficit	15,482	-	15,482	-
Total	15,482	-	15,482	-
Total Payments	131,343	2,633	133,976	80,203

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4. Trustees' remuneration, benefits and expenses

There was no remuneration, expenses or benefits made to trustees during this or the previous accounting period.

5. Land & buildings

Church buildings are the property of the Methodist Church and are therefore not recognised in the accounts of the Methodist Church Barnsley South.

6. Funds held by internal organisations

	Opening Balance £	Receipts £	Payments £	Closing Balance £
Darfield Wesley - Companions	393	717	(551)	559
Darfield Wesley - Wives	433	-	(433)	-
Darfield Wesley - Flower Club	176	359	(359)	176
Darfield Wesley - Almost New	926	1,971	(1,290)	1,607
Total	<u>1,928</u>	<u>3,047</u>	<u>(2,633)</u>	<u>2,342</u>

Internal organisations are groups that are part of the Church and report to the Trustees. The transactions are included in the accounts of the Methodist Church Barnsley South and recorded as restricted funds.

7. Funds held as custodian trustee

	2021-22 £	2020-21 £
Balance brought forward	-	-
Offerings/Gifts received for external organisations	2,265	340
Offerings/Gifts passed on to external organisations	(2,265)	(340)
Balance carried forward	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>

Funds received through offerings and gifts collected on the behalf of external organisations. The income does not belong to the Church and therefore is not included in the Receipts and Payments Account.

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8. Movement in Funds

	Opening balance £	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Transfers £	Closing balance £
Unrestricted funds					
General Reserves	107,483	114,729	(131,343)	-	90,869
	<u>107,483</u>	<u>114,729</u>	<u>(131,343)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>90,869</u>
Restricted funds					
Internal organisations (see note 6)	1,928	3,047	(2,633)	-	2,342
	<u>1,928</u>	<u>3,047</u>	<u>(2,633)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,342</u>
Total Funds	<u>109,411</u>	<u>117,776</u>	<u>(133,976)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>93,211</u>

