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**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES AND
UNAUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019
FOR
THE NEWCASTLE CENTRAL AND EAST CIRCUIT
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

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The trustees present their report with the examined financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 August 2019. The trustees have adopted the provisions of Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015).

Preamble

The Methodist Church is said to have been created after John Wesley's conversion on 24th May, 1738, it is a Free Church. The Newcastle Central and East Circuit came into being on 1st September, 2009 at the merger of the former Newcastle Heaton & Wallsend and Newcastle Brunswick Central Circuits, the latter was, in its self from a merger in the early 1970's from the Brunswick and Central & Sandyford Circuits. The calling of The Methodist Church is:

Worship, to Increase awareness of God's Presence and celebrate God's love.
Learning and caring, to help people to grow and learn as Christians.
Service, to be a good neighbour to people in need and challenge injustice.
Evangelism we make more followers of Jesus Christ.

OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES

Objectives and activities

The Circuit is constituted to advance the effective deployment of the resources of ministry, which include people, property and finance, as they relate to the Methodist Churches in the Circuit, the District and Connexion, to Churches of other denominations and to participation in the communities served by the Circuit and in ecumenical work in the area. The Constitution and Enumeration of Circuits is set out year by year in the Stations appointed by the Conference.

Grantmaking policy

The Circuit meeting is minded to make occasional grants from one of the funds. These grants are discretionary and full details are given in the accounts. The funds are:

- The general fund, for example grants to the District Benevolence fund.
- The Model Trust [formerly the Circuit Advance Fund] is exhausted.
- The City Centre Fund, this is used in the same way as a Model Trust - it is controlled by the Managing Trustees of the District.
- The Susannah Gibson Memorial Fund, grants may be made for "the sustenance of Wesleyan Methodist Ministers" - no grants have been awarded in the year under consideration.
- The Doris Nutall bequest - funds may be used at the discretion of the Circuit Meeting, but in practice money is used at and on the former South Gosforth Methodist Church, which Doris Nutall attended.
- The Elizabeth Ann Burton bequest - money was left to the former Willington Quay Methodist Church, the Circuit subsequently obtained a Charity Commission Order which allows it to control all the assets of the bequest, it should be noted that although Mrs Burton passed away in 1972 it was only in February 2011 that the Circuit became aware that there was a substantial sum of money and two Tyneside flats to be transferred to the Circuit. The flats have been refurbished and are let to people in need, via the charity Oasis Aquila.
- Bequest funds - funds may be used at the discretion of the Circuit meeting, for mission of the church.
- The Deacons' Fund - this fund was created by a vote at the Spring Circuit Meeting 2019, by agreeing to use the three remaining small Model Trusts and the balance of the general fund of the former Allen Memorial Methodist Church. In order to achieve this, a Charity Commission Order has been obtained and in the case of trust 1486 the Methodist Council voted to approve the transfer of the W R Dixon gift to the Deacons' Fund. Trust 1486 is a permanent endowment, Trust 5377 capital and income can be used and Trust 5377B income can be used and capital with restrictions. In practice, it is the intention that a Deacon can use the income only for work in the Wallsend area at their discretion.

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There is a further fund which is held and used to maintain the manses and other property owned by the Circuit and two manses owned by the United Reformed Church.

The public benefit can be clearly demonstrated by the Trustees as they have fulfilled the calling of the Methodist Church in maintaining the witness of the church throughout the area which the Circuit serves in parts of Newcastle and North Tyneside. The grants made have enabled the work to continue and young people to develop themselves and grow in faith.

ACHIEVEMENT AND PERFORMANCE

Activities during the year and achievements

The Circuit has continued to fulfil its basic role of providing ministers to be in pastoral charge of the Societies (Local Churches) which make up the Circuit and support the churches in various ways including providing financial help for their work. We provide ministers with manses (two manses are owned by The United Reformed Church, Northern Synod) and see that, through the Methodist Church and United Reformed Church Central Services, they are paid their stipends and allowances. Those manses not immediately required have been let on assured short hold leases as have the two flats in Willington Quay.

During the year under review the Circuit team was re-configured and a new Superintendent was appointed by Conference, Rev'd Paul Cleever-Thorpe, to take up the role as of 1st September 2019 there was also a change of Circuit Stewards. The Superintendent and Stewards meet regularly, as does the Circuit Leadership Team, The Circuit Meeting (Managing Trustees) met three times.

The life, work, ministry and mission of the Circuit is underpinned by prayer and public worship and personal commitment to follow Christ, using 'Our Calling' of The Methodist Church as a guide, the Circuit Mission statement being at the core of the agenda for each meeting.

**NEWCASTLE
CENTRAL
& EAST** **Circuit Mission Statement**

Active... *in demonstrating God's love in the world*

Believing... *in the transforming power of the Gospel*

Confident... *to speak about God and faith*

Determined... *to challenge injustice and build communities*

Encouraging... *fresh ways of being Church*

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The Circuit Stewards are the Lay Leaders of The Circuit, they are Managing Trustees as are all members of The Circuit Meeting and as Stewards they are responsible for managing the day to day operation of all Circuit affairs in consultation with the Superintendent Minister.

During the year under review the Circuit Stewards and Superintendent once again reviewed the 'Risk policy statement' which covers the following areas:

Financial

The Circuit Meeting is faced with the following financial risks:

- dependency on limited income sources (Assessments, investment income and donations);
- exhausting the capital resources;
- fluctuations in investment income and rental income;
- inability to attract additional donations from the general public and members;
- an unforeseen rise in demand for expenditure (for example on Manses and Chapels);
- an unforeseen increase in the actuarial shortfall on the pension funds for which the Circuit Meeting could be deemed responsible (the Circuit is already contributing to a shortfall);
- an unforeseen increase in the requirement for an additional manse or other property;
- a sustained fall in the value of investments and property held by the Circuit and appearing in the balance sheet.

Operation, Reputation and Strategy

In 2018/2019, we identified the other most significant risks as follows:

- inability to create new Methodist disciples results in further decline, ultimately resulting in the Methodist Church ceasing to exist;
- failure to provide adequate resources that enable the Circuit Meeting to discharge its responsibilities;
- the experience of Fresh Expressions fails to be integrated into the mission and ministry pathways of the Circuit;
- sudden change in policy or strategic direction enforced by The Circuit Meeting;
- dependency on limited income sources (Assessments, investment income and donations);
- the impact of economic fluctuations on our assets, liabilities and our ability to raise funds to enable us to continue our work;
- an unforeseen increase in the actuarial shortfall on the pension funds for which the Circuit Meeting could be deemed responsible;
- loss of key personnel;
- the effects of 'Brexit'.

These risks are likely to remain equally relevant throughout 2019 and 2020 and beyond.

Risk management

The Methodist Church in Great Britain has a risk management policy, which has been set by the Methodist Council for use both by the Trustees and by Circuits.

- The risk management policy is designed to identify and analyse key strategic and operational risks facing the Methodist Church and, where at unacceptable levels, to take steps to mitigate the risks.
- We define key strategic and operational risks as those that, without effective or appropriate mitigation, are highly likely to occur and would have a positive or negative impact on the Church's ability to fulfil its purpose of advancing the Christian faith in accordance with its doctrinal standards.
- These risks are reported to the Managing Trustees through a risk management process, which allows them both to challenge any assumptions the Circuit Leadership team has made about risks and also to understand the context in which decisions are taken. This helps to ensure that the most serious risks are being managed effectively.
- The trustees recognise that it is neither possible nor appropriate to seek to eliminate risk entirely. We recognise that risk-taking is inherent within the task of communicating the Gospel; John Wesley himself took risks in establishing the Methodist communities.
- Our task, therefore, is to embrace risks that aim to advance the Church's purposes while ensuring that we avoid or minimise those risks that might have a negative impact.
- Effective risk management processes will help to increase the likelihood of the Church fulfilling its mission.

The risk management report is reviewed and revised annually.

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There were a few changes to the staff team, as noted in the minutes of the Circuit Meeting, the Circuit is also served by Ministers of other traditions and the Circuit continues to have full responsibility for paying those employed by The United Reformed Church (reduced to one person with effect 1st September, 2019).

The Circuit continues to be blessed with the continuing ministry of our Supernumeraries; thanks go to Revd A. Glynn Lister J.P. who is the disciplinary officer, Rev'd Ian T White, Rev'd Joan Thornton and Revd Malcolm Newman.

The Local Preachers and Worship Leaders continue to serve the Circuit in their calling. During the year Mr Adam J Wilkinson became a fully accredited Local Preacher and his recognition service was held at Brunswick Methodist Church (his home church being Jesmond), the Circuit Meeting and members give praise and recognise his calling. There are four preachers in training.

During the year the Superintendent and Circuit Leadership Team initiated a programme of review of all Churches and projects as required by the Annual Conference of The Methodist Church. A growth or end of life plan was requested from each church, which informs the work and mission of the Circuit in coming years and months. The achievements outlined below incorporate the plans received, this being the first year of an on-going programme of review.

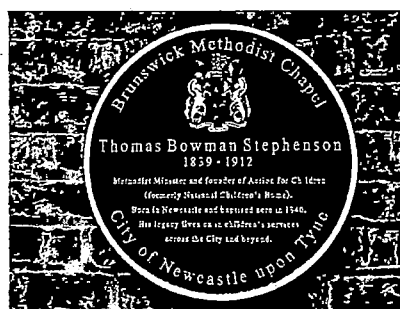
ALLEN MEMORIAL CHURCH



As reported in last year's activities the Church Council of The Allen Memorial took the decision in the spring of 2018 to ask the Circuit and The Newcastle District of the Methodist Church for permission to 'cease to meet' (close) and this was granted, the final service being on 30th September, 2018. All members transferred either to Trinity Wallsend or The Church of the Good Shepherd Battle Hill. Activities all moved to Trinity Church.

BRUNSWICK METHODIST CHURCH

A church with a heart for Newcastle



During the year Brunswick Rev'd Paul Cleever-Thorpe was stationed as minister, replacing Deacon Liesl Warren and Rev'd Michael Holland. The Church Council agreed that a planning group would prepare a programme to mark the 200th anniversary of the opening on the Chapel. In August we celebrated the anniversary of the founding of the National Children's Home and Orphanage (NCH), now known as Action For Children, by the unveiling of a plaque marking the baptism at Brunswick of Rev'd Thomas Bowman Stephenson, the founder of NCH. The Lord Mayor councillor David Cook and Chi Onwurah MP were in attendance and gave most moving speeches.

WORSHIP & PRAYER.

- Launched an informal monthly 'Breakfast Church'.
- Introduced a more varied worship pattern on a Sunday which to include 'Breakfast Church', All-age worship and Café church.
- Encourage the wider use of worship leading gifts from within our congregation and to give support to our two Local Preachers 'On Note'.

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Specific targets over the next 12 months were:

1. To grow our 'Breakfast Church' (BC) to 15-20 attenders of all ages, and to form a core worship team to plan and to run BC;
2. To enable 5-10 more people to use their gifts in worship leading.
3. To set up a new monthly, midweek time for contemporary worship and prayer.
4. To run a further 'Prayer Room' each July on a partnership basis with our Chinese congregation, Salvationists, and Brunswick-based 'Junction 42' staff. To sustain a weekly pattern of morning prayer.

LEARN, CARE AND GROW IN OUR DISCIPLESHIP.

- Build upon our fruitful Lent groups by putting resources into growing and sustaining midweek groups with the aim of deepening discipleship.
- Include the linking of Sunday worship themes/bible passages with our small group material over certain periods of the year.

Specific targets over the next 12 months were:

1. To run five 'life' groups at flexible times/venues over periods of the year;
2. To equip and support four new leaders/facilitators of 'life' groups;
3. To follow 'Bible Month' each June to link Sunday worship with 'life' group material.

SERVE OUR CITY CENTRE NEIGHBOURS.

In response to the January Prayer Room on the *Mission prayer wall* the church was encouraged to grow its partnership working with Christians based in the city centre. This culminated in a new partnership agreement being signed in March with 'Junction 42', a Christian charity based within Brunswick who work with ex-offenders.

The partnership with 'Changing Lives', who work with a variety of vulnerable groups was re-affirmed. Support will continue to be focussed upon the 'GAP' (Girls are Proud) and 'MAP' groups.

Resources continue to be put into the 'Coffee Shop' as it is the primary point of contact with those who come into our church. Brunswick will actively explore the idea of a 'Coffee Shop Pastor'.

Specific targets over the next 12 months were:

1. To put resources into growing our partnership with 'Junction 42', specifically supporting the expansion of their Job Club programme which will be accessible from September to those beyond the 'ex-offending' community;
2. To sustain the partnership working with 'Changing Lives';
3. To equip two new people to become 'Pastors' being available to respond to needs presented during the hours of 'Coffee Shop'.
4. To purchase and site a new defibrillator at the front of our building to be made available to our city centre community 24 hours a day.

EVANGELISE AND SHARE OUR FAITH.

Brunswick will be focussing efforts primarily upon developing the gifts of the congregation, and growing disciples more intentionally.

NEWCASTLE CHINESE METHODIST CHURCH

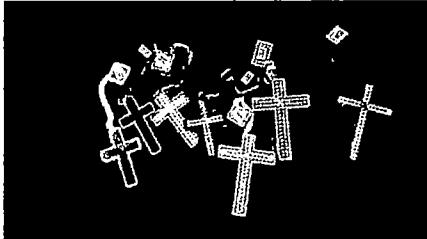
The Chinese church continued to develop links with both the Durham and Middlesbrough Chinese churches and noted that The Rev'd Lawrence Law would sit down (retire) in August 2021, he was granted a year extension to his appointment. A new safeguarding officer was appointed. The Sunday School, language classes continue to be very popular.

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COXLODGE METHODIST CHURCH

Coxlodge Methodist Church's mission statement is:



'We endeavour to be a beacon in our community offering Christian (Methodist) fellowship, hope and worship to young and old.'

It was decided to further share worship on a monthly basis with St Hugh's, Church of England. Messy Church continues to thrive. Occasional social events are run jointly with St Hugh's.

THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

The Aim:

Spreading the Good News of Jesus in Battle Hill and beyond

Our Priorities:

- (1) Develop effective opportunities to invite others
- (2) Open church for drop-in
- (3) Look at how we might benefit from linking to 'Leading Your Church Into Growth'

Develop effective opportunities to invite others

Training sessions "telling our story" to increase confidence in sharing faith with others.

A series of activities for mission week in December.

Intentionally invite people in the parish to COGS.

Increase variety of worship.

Reach out via Christian Aid coffee afternoons and other events.

Continue to host HotChocolate for teenagers.

A church toddler group was opened called "young shepherds".

HEATON METHODIST CHURCH

Using the churches original document 'Focussing a 2020 Vision' and 'Reviewing our Olympic Vision 2010 - 2013' together with further consultations, a vision for the church community was drawn up.

HMC is an eclectic mix of people with wide ranging theological views brought together in traditional Methodist worship. The theme is new growth in the form of a living tree with roots, the trunk, branches and shoots.

Worship

The Church exists to increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love.

Worship has been enhanced by using a lit candle as a focus of God's presence, love and peace at the start of the services. The church stewards also pray in the side chapel as part of the preparation for the service.

Themed preaching has been introduced using Bible books such as Ruth and James.

Small children in church

To enable families with small children to feel more comfortable at the traditional service the church transept has been set up with suitable toys and activities.

Improving the comfort of the surroundings, using cushions on the pews.

Making sense of worship when people only come occasionally

Explore how to enable people to feel welcome and take action as appropriate.

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Learning and Caring

The Church exists to help people to grow and learn as Christians, through mutual support and care.
Explore the potential of developing more small groups within the community.
Pastorally care for those in our church family who are no longer able to worship as regularly as they would like and explore how to enable them to continue to feel connected.

Prayer

HMC is developing a prayer life on a more regular basis.

Service

The Church exists to be a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice.
Develop further links with the Food Bank and endeavour to encourage more regular giving of food from the whole of the church community.
Continue to be involved in Martha & Mary and actively encourage more participation in its activities.

Evangelism

The Church exists to make more followers of Jesus Christ.
Revisit our mission statement.
Review the website and Facebook pages and make any changes necessary.

Keep the noticeboard current.

Baptism families

Build up further relationships to enable Baptism families to engage in the life of the church.

Breakfast Church

Explore how to further connect and build relationships with families who use the premises for other activities to introduce them to Breakfast Church.

Open the Book

Promote and actively encourage people to join a team along with St Gabriel's and possibly St Cuthbert's to go into Ravenswood Primary School initially.

JESMOND METHODIST CHURCH

Bringing the Heart of God into the heart of Jesmond

The 'Growth Plan' is not as a way of finding new things to do, but is part of a continuing desire to listen and respond to where God is calling us, challenging us, and enabling us through the Spirit to be church in Jesmond.

Worship

The congregation numbers have grown, welcoming eleven new church members during the year. Building on this, through continuing to develop a welcome and organising our worship space with room to grow is an important part of our plans.

JMC is committed to training and growing new younger worship leaders. All those we attend are offered teaching and the opportunity to develop gifts.

JMC has started encouraging the sharing of testimony as normal part of worship.

In continuing to develop new styles of worship and prayer JMC hosts and engages with the acoustic worship event, Sanctuary, which partners with other circuit churches

JMC continues to encourage a culture of response, offering regular prayer and ministry.

It is recognised that there is a need to develop work with young children in worship.

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Learning and Caring

JMC continues to encourage people to be part of a small group, it has successfully launched three new home groups during the year (including one which happens at the home of a housebound member). The established student Life Group, our fourth group, has doubled in size. The house groups have developed a pattern of linking their meetings with the preaching series which has aided growth and scriptural understanding. JMC continues to help new people settle and find a home at JMC.

JMC has committed to fund a student worker for an additional three years (in partnership with the circuit/district) to oversee and help the growth of students and young adults engaged in church.

JMC is committed to offering hospitality in the form of regular provided lunches during term time.

JMC has started to offer time and space in the church sanctuary for people to pray and wait on God.



Serving Community

JMC supports, helps and hosts Street Pastors as a crucial part of serving the community of Jesmond.

JMC is committed to serving students with food and welcome packs in Freshers week and at other times of the year.

JMC introduced 'Stop and Play' serving local families with young children in the community, after school.

JMC keeps developing their relationship with Café 1901.

JMC continues to be a safe space for the homeless to drop in on a Sunday to get a hot drink and a listening ear.

JMC works with local allotment growers to distribute freshly grown fruit and vegetables in September with donations to charity.

JMC continues to support the local foodbank with collections organised regularly.

Evangelism

JMC has a programme of regular engagement in outreach through the Taste of Nations event, Carols in the Café, free Hot Cross Buns at Easter and a Pentecost Outreach event.

JMC is committed to praying for friends and neighbours and help to support people to share their stories with them.

JMC has developed special services that are particularly focused on invitation, like Mother's Day service, Carols in the Café, and has plans for a Weekend of Invitation.

JMC continues involvement with the Jesmond Festival, looking for new events.

JMC has pledged to develop a partnership with the C.U. (Friday nights tea and toast) and University Chaplain in outreach.

Longbenton Methodist Church (Longbenton & Balliol Youth & Community)

There was a feeling that Longbenton needed to modernise its outlook!

Worship

The Church Council decided to develop worship with more modern songs.

LMC will explore using older children to work the computer to further develop visuals and a more modern worship experience.

LMC has started a monthly all age worship and will continue to develop more family friendly worship, for the few families who attend.

LMC has regular joint services with JMC and will look at strengthening these, and explore occasional worship with the Zimbabwean communities that meet here too.

Learning and caring

LMC has many groups using the church and through the partnership with Balliol, e.g. Young at Heart, Craft, Art, and Lunch Bunch, that seek to provide care and friendship to our community. A new monthly Coffee Morning has been introduced as a place for friendships and to help the lonely. LMC plans to find new ways to advertise its activities, such as banners on railings, leaflet distribution, posters in doctor's surgeries and sheltered housing, so isolated people are reached and friendship and food offered.

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LMC plans to review the Pastoral System to help the lonely and house bound feel more connected.

Service

Much of this happens through partnership BYCC.

LMC continues to advertise and distribute the free baked good distribution from the supermarkets.

Evangelism

LMC plans to strengthen, develop and grow links between BYCC and the church.

HAND IN HAND

The Hand in Hand project continues its work at the two activities clubs at Heaton and Wallsend.

SHIELDFIELD ART WORKS AT THE HOLY BISCUIT



Jayamini De Silva, Harmony

SAW is a Connexionally funded project based in the former Shieldfield Methodist Church.

Growth plan:

Worship

- Mid-week worship, the mixing bowl, takes place.

Learning & Caring

-Continual monitoring of IT equipment and accessories to ensure fit for purpose, catering for need of all users of the building.

Service

-Upgrade kitchen equipment is being considered to facilitate shared meals and cookery sessions with members of the local community;

- Improve signage to communicate a welcoming, inclusive, thriving and open art space;

- Improve accessibility for visitors with disabilities.

Evangelism

Increase number of visitors who enter the building and thereby widen

impact of our activities.

Aim to be more inclusive and attract a larger number of visitors.

ST. ANDREW'S, BENTON

Following conversations at the Congregational Meeting and during morning worship a plan was formulated.

The Leadership Group continues to reflect on some of the suggestions made, and helps the church to discern which might be taken forward next.

Worship

- Variety (of preachers and styles, and contrasting style of the evening services) / ambiance of the worship area / music & singing (new songs and traditional hymns, and the singing group) / Use of projector for words, images and videos / taking part / fellowship / acceptance & welcome / Messy Church

- Worship in the round / a mix of different styles and willingness to try new things (e.g. Taize) / more conversation in groups / use of silence and imagery / testimony and sharing of faith stories by the congregation / Messy Church more often / Uplifting new hymns / Cafe church / Drama / A small group of musicians / Children's service & activities (& pets?) / Healing service

Plans for growth for the coming year:

Drawing together some of the comments above, St Andrew's intends to explore Cafe Church on a Sunday, in-between Cafe/Messy Church Saturday sessions and to offer prayers for healing occasionally, as part of communion services, and to explore how to incorporate more testimony into worship.

Learning and caring

- Discipleship Groups / Bible Study (joint at West Moor) / Girls Allowed Group / Network / Corner Club / A caring church family

- Better publicity for what is already happening (notice boards in halls, info packs, leaflets) / Re-emphasis on discipleship groups (consider a name change - does it put people off?)

Plans for growth for the coming year:

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Since the Discipleship Groups were first created a number of years ago, each one has evolved with a slightly different ethos and emphasis. St Andrew's intends to celebrate this diversity, and ask each small group to define what is distinctive about it, as well as a new group being set up to focus on Eco Church issues.

Service

- Saturday Morning Coffee Mornings (raising money for charities) / Involvement with Christians Against Poverty / Distribution of flowers / Helping in hospital (taking patients to chapel service) / Corner Club (for adults with learning difficulties) / Hosting community groups and activities / Monthly Service in Springfield Park Care Home / Film nights / Providing practical help to those in need (e.g. food parcels) / Eco Church / Fairtrade / Afternoon Teas for isolated elderly people / Tidings (church magazine distribution)

- More advertising for Saturday coffee mornings / Girls Allowed Group attracts women who don't attend church - what about something for men? / Serving tea & coffee to parents who are waiting for their children in mid-week dance classes etc. / Knit & natter / Mindfulness / Exploring possibility of youth work (linked with Longbenton)

Plans for growth for the coming year:

St Andrew's is exploring the possibility of linking with Longbenton (Balliol Youth & Community Centre), initially to see what needs there might be for youth work in Benton, and if a viable project can be identified, to work towards finding the resources (including grant funding) to make it happen.

St Andrew's is looking into the possibility of some kind of electronic display just inside the church entrance to help with advertising what is going on.

Evangelism

- Carol singing & offering prayers in the Social Club (and growing links with the club) / Messy Church / Welcoming people when they come, not because of what they can do / Film nights / Acts of Kindness in the community - Christmas Angels, free mince pies at Christmas, free Hot Cross Buns at Easter etc. / Welcome Packs / Christingle service in local school

- Giving out church flowers - not always to church people (e.g. neighbours who are ill, people with struggles that congregation members are aware of, new neighbours, following up with magazine later) / More evening activities for those who work during the day / Building relationships with those who use the building (e.g. being around when groups are meeting, serving drinks to parents whose children are in activities on the premises, handing out invites to Messy Church etc.) / Open the Book (Bible Storytelling project in schools)

Plans for growth for the coming year:

St Andrew's intends to go ahead with extending the ministry of church flowers to non-church people and encouraging Discipleship Groups to consider occasional Random Acts of Kindness for users of the building (including the idea above of serving drinks to parents waiting for their children in dance classes etc.).

ST CUTHBERT'S LEP HEATON

As with last year in conjunction with other churches of Heaton Churches Together we held "Open House" to the community.

The "Soup Sanctuary & Sandwich" which started a few years ago continues to run on a Monday morning. This was started not as specifically a lunch club but to be there for people who wanted or needed someone to talk to (many people who live alone rarely see anyone from one week to the next). The church is open and there is someone to talk to. The number of people who attend is small - that is not what we are about but some of the people who really need this time come regularly and some people just walk in off the street and perhaps never come again.

ST JOHN'S LEP KINGSTON PARK

St John is an ecumenical partnership of four denominations. Rev'd Roger Mills, who was an Anglican, retired early in 2018, he was replaced by Rev'd Adele Moorhouse, a half-time Methodist Minister and the Anglican diocese are seeking to appoint a half-time Anglican priest.

Growth plan:

Worship

- Ensure continuity of worship whilst currently served by a half-time minister;
- Broaden range of styles and types of worship, including Café Church, band led services, Baptist and URC style Communion;
- Explore with young people how to make services more accessible to them;
- Include testimonies as part of worship;

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- Develop IT support for services.

Learning & Caring

- Provide a series of workshops to encourage and support members in sharing their faith;
- Offer a programme of social activities to develop fellowship with one another;
- Participate in 'Operation Christmas Child' to raise awareness of needs and mission in wider world;
- Maintain pastoral care of church members.

Service

- Investigate how the church can respond to the needs of community, through local councillors and members of the public;
- Hold a workshop to identify future mission for the church.

Evangelism

- Participate in the Diocese of Newcastle Pathways Mission;
- Run a holiday club for children over the summer;
- Develop further links with local school.

TRINITY CHURCH - GOSFORTH

Trinity Gosforth is an LEP: Methodist and URC.

Growth plan:

Worship

- Continue to assess and plan worship to ensure Trinity builds on good practice;
- Explore how to support young church groups for age range 11+;
- Develop all aspects of worship life especially use of music involving all ages.

Learning & Caring

- Ensure we have the correct people in place as welcomers and look for ways to connect them with new people;
- Develop new life groups and build relationships with group leaders;
- Develop intergenerational events.

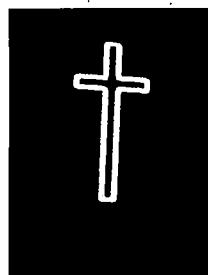
Service

- Ensure a welcome at reception and through all volunteers and staff on premises;
- Challenge unwelcoming behaviour;
- Encourage good examples of radical hospitality;
- Encourage accountability between the finance group and the congregation and raise awareness of the challenges of resourcing activities.

Evangelism

- Explore improvements to the web site;
- Constructively develop worship leading and teaching;
- Develop positive ways of using the square.

TRINITY WALLSEND



Growth plan:

Worship

- Trinity is exploring having a junior church since number of children has grown;
- Continue to reach out to Eothen Home through offering a regular service;
- Trinity is trying out different forms of all age worship, e.g. Café Church.

Learning & Caring

- Support opportunities with the Youth Club for growth;
- Trinity is exploring how to improve pastoral care to those who are no longer able to worship regularly;
- Trinity is working to develop relationships with youth organisations that use the

premises;

- Trinity is holding regular prayer sessions and different ways of praying.

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Service

- Trinity continues to serve the lonely in the community through 'Hand in Hand' and other activities;
- Trinity maintains openness to any mission opportunities in the community;
- Each year Trinity collects food for 'Walking With' send gifts to 'Shoebox Appeal', and explores other opportunities to help in the community.

Evangelism

- Trinity's church council reviews the mission plan regularly to ensure that there is a clear message;
- There have been improvements to the website and the Facebook presence;
- Trinity regularly advertises events to the community using flyers.
- Trinity will build further relationships with Baptism families;
- Trinity continues to deliver 'Open the Book' with other local churches in local schools.

WEST MOOR METHODIST CHURCH

Growth plan:

Worship

- WMMC is exploring having Café Style Church on an occasional basis;
- WMMC is working to find more ways of involving the Junior Church in taking part in worship.

Learning & Caring

- WMMC has encouraged more people to participate in the twice monthly Bible Study meetings;
- WMMC has encouraged members to read their Bibles more, by putting lectionary readings on the notices.

Service

- WMMC has explored the possibilities of running an Activity/Social Club for lonely and isolated people in the community.

Evangelism

- WMMC has tried to improve publicity for special events and services.



'PRESENCE': NEWCASTLE CENTRAL & EAST CIRCUIT IN WALKER

There is plenty to be thankful for at Pottery Bank Community Centre.



Local people appreciate the events and activities that are regularly provided at the centre. The weekly lunch club is a time when people are able to come together to share good food, conversation, friendship and to play a few games of prize bingo or a quiz. This is about more than the meal; it is part of bringing our community together and connecting with the people around us.

The Walker Women programme provides free training courses for local women, many of whom have expressed thanks, not only for the opportunities provided but for the many new friendships that have developed. Some of the women who first came to take part two years ago will be starting degree courses in September- an outcome that neither those women

nor ourselves had anticipated at the start of the project.

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ORPHAN HOUSE TRUST

It was a relatively quiet year for the trust, though all available income was distributed. Grant Applications have been considered and made to:

- Trinity Wallsend
- Blyth Central Methodist Church
- MINE money initiative NE / Byker
- Together Mission NE [year 1 of 5]
- Balliol Youth Project
- Trinity Gosforth, Open The Book
- Wesley Study Centre [year 5 of 5]
- West End Foodbank, kitchen
- Cornerstone [year 1 of 3]
- West Harton Methodist Church, Bede Circuit, South Shields Shop [year 1 of 5]

The Trust is THANKFUL to our continued source of funding (ground rent from the Orphan House site on Northumberland Street), to the organisations and individuals who apply for support and for the commitment of Trust members who give their time to this process.

Awards from WOHT favour work on small projects, which might otherwise have difficulty attracting grants from larger grant giving bodies, also from local church projects supporting children, young people or the neediest in our society, or education and health care overseas.

FINANCIAL REVIEW

Financial position

Income for the year ended 31 August 2019 totalled £1,089,990 (2018: £699,817) resulting in a surplus for the year of £159,320 (2018: a deficit of £55,721).

Funds totalled £743,381 at the year end, of which £300,013 are restricted funds and £2,082 are endowment funds. Of the £441,286 unrestricted funds, £46,370 are designated for specific purposes as detailed in the notes to the accounts.

Reserves policy – general funds

The definition of reserves is: "income which becomes available to the charity and is to be expended at the trustees' discretion in furtherance of the charity's objects, but which is not yet spent, committed or designated." The free reserves of the charity therefore exclude endowments, restricted funds, designated funds and funds already invested in fixed assets. The free reserves of the charity at the year end amounted to £62,602.

The reserves policy for the general and manse funds of the Circuit agreed by the trustees is to hold the equivalent of the relevant annual expenditure, plus an estimate of any known fluctuations. These reserves are held in the Central Finance Board deposit account. The unrestricted funds are currently below the policy, the Circuit Managing Trustees are concerned about this and mindful to address the situation as soon as possible. There are plans to balance the budget over the following two or three years and then start to re-build reserves. Should there be a funding crisis then the Managing Trustees would make an appeal to the Local Churches.

Reserves policy for the Holy Biscuit (now known as Shieldfield Art Works at The Holy Biscuit)

Holy Biscuit is a Christian presence in the art world who serves God through Art and Hospitality. We aim to champion beauty and good quality art by being brave and bold in explorations. We highlight the importance of art, which creates a platform for open discussion and allow art to lead a cultural democracy. We accept and recognise our own imperfections and shortcoming, trusting God's provisions to work with what we have.

We need reserves to continue our work as described above and our future funding is not guaranteed, particularly our funding from the Connexion, which will become progressively less and is not guaranteed beyond August 2020. Our expenditure will not shrink with less funding and we must therefore look at different sources to boost our income stream.

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FINANCIAL REVIEW continued

If Connexion funding were to stop, then the church would need to consider ceasing operations, however we would still need to meet all wind up costs, including redundancy payments of around £6,000. Charity reserves are therefore required to carry us through the next few years. We are working on marketing to let Church property as an events venue and aim to increase our hospitality image in the wider Newcastle community. We have created a safe and relaxed space for people of all faiths and none, to enter and experience warmth, love and hospitality within a Christian context, without being forced into a traditional church environment.

STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT

Governing document

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust and constitutes an unincorporated charity. The charity's treasurers of the Circuit Fund are the lay Circuit Stewards, of the Managing Trustees listed previously all are lay people excepting the seventeen ministerial staff, four of whom are retired (Rev'd John Cook passed away on Friday 17th January 2020 and was promoted to glory) and one is Principal of St John's College Durham, one is chaplain at Pilgrims Court Methodist Homes Jesmond, and eighteen Lay workers all of whom are, or were, employed either by The Methodist Church, The United Reformed Church or The Church of England. One member - Miss Ruth Hall - is a Connexional representative on the Methodist Council. Circuit meetings are held three times a year and include representatives of all the Societies (local churches) and projects in the Circuit. The Superintendent Minister (who supervises the work of the other Ministers in the Circuit) reports to this meeting as do the Circuit Stewards.

The governing body of the Circuit is the annual conference of The Methodist Church. The Methodist Church Act 1976 gives the authority under which The Methodist Church acts. The constitution practice and discipline of The Methodist Church (2019 edition) together with The Deed of Union (Act of 1929 adopted 1932) govern the activities of the Circuit.

In general, The Methodist Church is excepted from the need to register as a charity by the combined effects of Section 46(4) (A) of the Charities Act 1993 and Paragraph 4(2) (C) of the Charities (exception from registration) Regulations 1996 as amended by Statutory Instrument 2014 No 242. The Circuit, however, is a separate Registered Charity, number 1134265, in England and Wales.

The Trustees who have served during the year and since the year-end are set out on the legal and administration pages. The treasurers (Circuit Stewards) are appointed annually by the Circuit Meeting annually and the Managing Trustees are appointed either by: (a) the Societies of which they are members; (b) the Preachers' Meeting; or (c) by being ex-officio (Ministers in good standing or holding a District or Connexional Office or duly appointed Lay Workers). In practice, up to seven Circuit Stewards are appointed who serve, generally, for a minimum of 3 years and a maximum of 6.

The principal address of the Circuit's auditors, bankers, solicitors and other advisors are given as part of the reference and administrative details.

The Treasurers are responsible for the detailed examination of the Financial Statements and for recommending their adoption by the Circuit Meeting, they do this in consultation with the Circuit Treasurers Meeting, in practice they have appointed a Circuit Services Manager to handle the day to day financial and property matters, he must refer for guidance and instruction to the Circuit Stewards and Superintendent Minister. The Circuit Services Manager gave notice, in April 2019, of his intention to retire at the end of October 2020 and the Circuit Stewards are preparing a succession plan having identified one person who will become the Treasurer.

The Circuit is one of 12 of the Newcastle District and has 13 Local Churches [14 premises], of which 5 are Local Ecumenical Partnerships, the Circuit also has one other preaching place and one other set of premises that are used for 'fresh expressions of Church' - Shieldfield Art Works @ The Holy Biscuit, and has a 'presence' in Walker at The Pottery Bank Community Centre. They are contactable via the principal address of the Circuit. Funds are transferred to the Circuit on a quarterly basis to meet the commitments to the District and the upkeep of the Circuit.

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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Registered Charity number

1134265

Principal address

Brunswick Methodist Church
Brunswick Place
Newcastle upon Tyne
Tyne and Wear
NE1 7BJ

Trustees

Rev P Holwell (Chair until 31.08.19)
Deacon A Carter
Rev P Cleever-Thorpe (Chair from 01.09.19)
Rev J Jackson
Rev J Mooney
Rev A Moorehouse (appointed 1.9.18)
Deacon G Morgan
Revd K Reader
Revd Dr D Wilkinson
Revd A Wilkinson
Revd Dr G F Wilson
Major M Bellshaw (resigned 31.8.19)
Revd L Law
Revd G Hume
Mrs C Carroll
Ms G Herries
Ms L Hiorns
A Mason
Mrs A Merritt-Smith (resigned 20.11.19)

Revd J F Cook (passed away 17.01.20)

Revd B Dann
Revd M Newman
Revd J M Thornton
W Abrie
Mrs J Anderson
Mrs J Atherton
Miss P Atthey
Miss C Au (appointed 1.5.19)
L Lawson (appointed 1.5.19)
I Moore (appointed 15.5.19)
Ms R Taglione
Mrs H Dunn
Miss T Hopwood
Miss K Laws
A Nicholson
R Wylie (appointed 1.11.18)
S Willis
Mrs R Wilkinson (appointed 30.4.19)
Mrs A Weightman (appointed 15.5.19)
Mrs J Short
Mrs N Pigeon
M Burdon (resigned 31.8.19)
Mrs E Burrows (resigned 30.9.18)
W Burrows (resigned 30.9.18)

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Ms R Ching (resigned 31.5.19)
Mrs A Gallagher (resigned 30.9.18)
Ms E Gourley (resigned 30.5.19)
Mrs P Gurr (resigned 31.5.19)
M Edworthy (resigned 30.9.18)
Miss R Hall (resigned 31.5.19)
D Pigeon
Mrs E Timperley (resigned 15.5.19)
Mrs L McQuillan (resigned 30.9.18)
Ms J Moore (resigned 15.5.19)
Mrs L Morgan (resigned 15.5.19)
A Barker
Mrs J Bell
Miss P J Bennett
Miss C Brindley
Mrs K Brindley
Ms A Brown
Mrs L Bryan
H W Burchell
H Chapman
D Cowans
Mrs M Dunn
Mrs J Dymes
Mrs C L Eke J. P.
I Farquhar
Mrs B Fellows
W Filmer
Mrs J Fitzgerald
Miss S Fuller
K Gilfillan J.P.
Miss M Goldfinch
Dr L Graham
Mrs M E Graham
R H P Graham
J E Hawdon
Mrs H Hoggett
Miss A Ilderton
Miss J C Kelsall
Mrs J Keltie
Mrs L Lamb
E Leung
Mrs I Leung
Mrs J Lovell
D Lowry
P H Martin
K McKenzie
Mrs S Moore
Mrs L Morley
Mrs P Newman
Miss G Patrick
R Pickard
S J Richardson
T F Rogers
P Short
D Stabler
K Stewart
P Stewart

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Mrs. M Sykes
D W Thornton
Ms J Turner
Mrs S H Walker
M Ward
D Wells
A Wilkinson
Mrs G Wilkinson

Circuit Stewards

The Circuit Stewards, who are the treasurers of the Circuit fund, who served during the year and until the date of this report, were as follows:-

Miss P Bennett (Senior Circuit Steward)
Mrs M Graham
Mr M Burdon (retired 31.08.19)
Mr K McKenzie
Mrs J Short

Independent Examiner

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Lambert Smith Hampton
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REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS

Custodian Trustees

The Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes
Central Buildings
Oldham Street
Manchester
M1 5JQ

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 12/3/2020 and signed on its behalf by:


K McKenzie - Trustee

**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF
THE NEWCASTLE CENTRAL AND EAST CIRCUIT
OF THE METHODIST CHURCH**

Independent examiner's report to the trustees of The Newcastle Central and East Circuit of the Methodist Church

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of The Newcastle Central and East Circuit of the Methodist Church (the Trust) for the year ended 31 August 2019.

Responsibilities and basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust 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 Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.


Independent examiner's statement

Since your charity's gross income exceeded £250,000 your examiner must be a member of a listed body. I can confirm that I am qualified to undertake the examination because I am a registered member of FCA which is one of the listed bodies.

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. accounting records were not kept in respect of the Trust as required by section 130 of the Act; or
2. the accounts do not accord with those records; or
3. the accounts do not comply with the applicable requirements concerning the form and content of accounts set out in the Charities (Accounts and Reports) Regulations 2008 other than any requirement that the accounts give a true and fair view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination.

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.


Michael Moran
FCA
Robson Laidler Accountants Limited
Fernwood House
Fernwood Road
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NE2 1TJ

Date: 12/3/2020

**THE NEWCASTLE CENTRAL AND EAST CIRCUIT
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**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	2019 Total funds £	2018 Total funds as restated £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM						
Donations and legacies	2	753,322	254,193	1,446	1,008,961	647,165
Other trading activities	3	25,532	-	-	25,532	31,369
Investment income	4	54,353	1,100	44	55,497	21,283
Total		833,207	255,293	1,490	1,089,990	699,817
EXPENDITURE ON Charitable activities						
Staff Costs		432,213	-	-	432,213	528,533
Support Costs		439,297	55,506	5	494,808	222,020
Governance Costs		3,900	-	-	3,900	5,010
Total		875,410	55,506	5	930,921	755,563
Net gains on investments		179	-	72	251	25
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)		(42,024)	199,787	1,557	159,320	(55,721)
Transfers between funds	14	23,521	(23,521)	-	-	-
Net movement in funds		(18,503)	176,266	1,557	159,320	(55,721)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS						
Total funds brought forward						
As previously reported		403,271	123,747	525	527,543	639,782
Prior year adjustment	8	56,518	-	-	56,518	-
As restated		459,789	123,747	525	584,061	639,782
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD		441,286	300,013	2,082	743,381	584,061

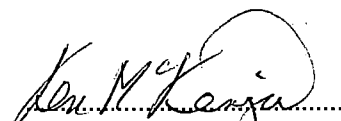
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**BALANCE SHEET
31 AUGUST 2019**

	Notes	Unrestricted funds £	Restricted funds £	Endowment funds £	2019 Total funds £	2018 Total funds as restated £
FIXED ASSETS						
Tangible assets	9	332,314	2,250	-	334,564	331,765
CURRENT ASSETS						
Debtors		21,503	-	-	21,503	16,593
Investments	10	4,743	12,711	2,082	19,536	13,062
Cash at bank		<u>135,204</u>	<u>285,052</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>420,256</u>	<u>265,130</u>
		161,450	297,763	2,082	461,295	294,785
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due within one year	11	(46,042)	-	-	(46,042)	(39,715)
NET CURRENT ASSETS		<u>115,408</u>	<u>297,763</u>	<u>2,082</u>	<u>415,253</u>	<u>255,070</u>
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES		447,722	300,013	2,082	749,817	586,835
CREDITORS						
Amounts falling due after more than one year	12	(6,436)	-	-	(6,436)	(2,774)
NET ASSETS		<u>441,286</u>	<u>300,013</u>	<u>2,082</u>	<u>743,381</u>	<u>584,061</u>
FUNDS	14					
Unrestricted funds					441,286	459,789
Restricted funds					300,013	123,747
Endowment funds					<u>2,082</u>	<u>525</u>
TOTAL FUNDS					<u>743,381</u>	<u>584,061</u>

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 12/03/2020 and were signed on its behalf by:


K McKenzie - Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

	Notes	2019 £	2018 as restated £
Cash flows from operating activities			
Cash generated from operations	1	<u>162,392</u>	<u>(63,148)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities		<u>162,392</u>	<u>(63,148)</u>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of tangible fixed assets		(7,000)	-
Purchase of fixed asset investments		(5,955)	(10,541)
Sale of fixed asset investments		-	94,050
Interest received		<u>2,110</u>	<u>1,263</u>
Net cash (used in)/provided by investing activities		<u>(10,845)</u>	<u>84,772</u>
Cash flows from financing activities			
New loans in year		7,000	-
Repayment of lease obligations		(4,906)	(1,865)
Income attributable to endowment		1,490	15
Expenditure attributable to endowment		<u>(5)</u>	<u>(1)</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) financing activities		<u>3,579</u>	<u>(1,851)</u>
Change in cash and cash equivalents in the reporting period		155,126	19,773
Cash and cash equivalents at the beginning of the reporting period		<u>265,130</u>	<u>245,357</u>
Cash and cash equivalents at the end of the reporting period		<u>420,256</u>	<u>265,130</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE CASH FLOW STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

1. RECONCILIATION OF NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) TO NET CASH FLOW FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES

	2019	2018
	£	as restated £
Net income/(expenditure) for the reporting period (as per the Statement of Financial Activities)	159,320	(55,721)
Adjustments for:		
Depreciation charges	4,201	6,770
Gain on investments	(251)	(25)
Interest received	(2,110)	(1,263)
Income attributable to endowment	(1,490)	(15)
Expenditure attributable to endowment	5	1
Increase in debtors	(4,910)	(13,376)
Increase in creditors	<u>7,627</u>	<u>481</u>
Net cash provided by/(used in) operations	<u>162,392</u>	<u>(63,148)</u>

The notes form part of these financial statements

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of preparing the financial statements

The financial statements of the charity, which is a public benefit entity under FRS 102, have been prepared in accordance with the Charities SORP (FRS 102) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities: Statement of Recommended Practice applicable to charities preparing their accounts in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland (FRS 102) (effective 1 January 2015)', Financial Reporting Standard 102 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' and the Charities Act 2011. The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention.

Critical accounting judgements and key sources of estimation uncertainty

In the application of the charity's accounting policies, the trustees are required to make judgements, estimates and assumptions about the carrying amount of assets and liabilities that are not readily apparent from other sources. The estimates and associated assumptions are based on historical experience and other factors that are considered to be relevant. Actual results may differ from these estimates.

The estimates and underlying assumptions are reviewed on an ongoing basis. Revisions to accounting estimates are recognised in the period in which the estimate is revised where the revision affects only that period, or in the period of the revision and future period where the revision affects both current and future periods.

Income

All income is recognised in the Statement of Financial Activities once the charity has entitlement to the funds, it is probable that the income will be received and the amount can be measured reliably.

Expenditure

Liabilities are recognised as expenditure as soon as there is a legal or constructive obligation committing the charity to that expenditure; it is probable that a transfer of economic benefits will be required in settlement and the amount of the obligation can be measured reliably. Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

Tangible fixed assets

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life or, if held under a finance lease, over the lease term, whichever is the shorter.

Freehold property	1% per annum
Computer equipment	straight line over 3 years

Taxation

The charity is exempt from tax on its charitable activities.

Fund accounting

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Endowment funds are subject to specific conditions by donors that the capital must be maintained by the charity.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES - continued

Hire purchase and leasing commitments

Assets obtained under hire purchase contracts or finance leases are capitalised in the Balance Sheet. Those held under hire purchase contracts are depreciated over their estimated useful lives. Those held under finance leases are depreciated over their estimated useful lives or the lease term, whichever is shorter.

The interest element of these obligations is charged to the Statement of Financial Activities over the relevant period. The capital element of the future payments is treated as a liability.

Pension costs and other post-retirement benefits

The charity operates a defined contribution pension scheme. Contributions payable to the charity's pension scheme are charged to the Statement of Financial Activities in the period to which they relate.

For lay employees there is no historic pension liability as there were no 'final salary' pension arrangements. For Ministers, the Methodist Ministers Pension scheme is currently underfunded and the Circuit, in common with all other Methodist Minister employing bodies, pays 26.9% of stipend to restore the fund to a position of being fully funded.

Financial instruments

Basic financial assets (which include debtors, cash and bank balances) and basic financial liabilities (which include creditors) are recognised at cost. Assets and liabilities classified as payable or receivable within one year are not amortised.

Investments

The charity's current asset investments are accounted for at market value with any gain or loss on sale and any movement in valuation, being recognised through the Statement of Financial Activities.

2. DONATIONS AND LEGACIES

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Administration	266,424	246,431
Assessments	438,149	400,734
Gift aid	253	-
Other incoming resources	304,135	-
	<u>1,008,961</u>	<u>647,165</u>

3. OTHER TRADING ACTIVITIES

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Books & telephone income	10,366	10,908
Sundry income	15,166	20,461
	<u>25,532</u>	<u>31,369</u>

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - continued
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Rents received	53,387	21,283
Interest received	<u>2,110</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>55,497</u>	<u>21,283</u>

5. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 August 2019 nor for the year ended 31 August 2018.

Trustees' expenses

The aggregate amount of travelling and subsistence expenses reimbursed to the trustees during the year was £20,719 (2018: £20,454). The number of persons reimbursed was 13 (2018: 13).

During the year trustees' indemnity insurance was provided of £229 (2018: 375).

The key management personnel of the charity include the circuit stewards, the superintendent, other ministers and the circuit services manager who are all managing trustees.

Total employee benefits of the key management personnel for the year were £58,503 (2018: £58,599).

6. STAFF COSTS

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Wages and salaries	432,213	452,978
Social security costs	23,495	24,255
Other pension costs	<u>50,990</u>	<u>51,300</u>
	<u>506,698</u>	<u>528,533</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2019	2018 as restated
Direct charitable expenditure	14	14
Management & admin of the charity	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>
	<u>16</u>	<u>16</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

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7. COMPARATIVES FOR THE STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds as restated £
	£	£	£	£
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS FROM				
Donations and legacies	620,000	27,150	15	647,165
Other trading activities	31,369	-	-	31,369
Investment income	<u>21,283</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>21,283</u>
Total	672,652	27,150	15	699,817
EXPENDITURE ON				
Charitable activities				
Staff Costs	528,533	-	-	528,533
Support Costs	157,181	64,838	1	222,020
Governance Costs	<u>5,010</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>5,010</u>
Total	690,724	64,838	1	755,563
Net gains on investments	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>25</u>
NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE)	(18,072)	(37,688)	39	(55,721)
Transfers between funds	<u>92,500</u>	<u>(92,500)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>-</u>
Net movement in funds	74,428	(130,188)	39	(55,721)
RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS				
Total funds brought forward	<u>385,361</u>	<u>253,935</u>	<u>486</u>	<u>639,782</u>
TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD	<u><u>459,789</u></u>	<u><u>123,747</u></u>	<u><u>525</u></u>	<u><u>584,061</u></u>

8. PRIOR YEAR ADJUSTMENT

An adjustment has been made to the prior year figures to ensure correct presentation of funds under the control of the Methodist Church. Funds had been inadvertently understated in the prior year.

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9. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Freehold property £	Computer equipment £	Totals £
COST			
At 1 September 2018	368,717	10,827	379,544
Additions	-	7,000	7,000
At 31 August 2019	368,717	17,827	386,544
DEPRECIATION			
At 1 September 2018	38,491	9,288	47,779
Charge for year	3,687	514	4,201
At 31 August 2019	42,178	9,802	51,980
NET BOOK VALUE			
At 31 August 2019	326,539	8,025	334,564
At 31 August 2018	330,226	1,539	331,765

The trustees believe that the market value of the Circuit's freehold property to be in the region of £2,500,000 which is insured for £2,793,615. Cover is in place for public liability and employer's liability, including the land at Ex-Central Methodist Church & the Orphan House land. The market value of the property held in South Gosforth is believed to be £530,000 and the Orphan House and Central land is believed to be £5,000,000.

Fixed assets, included in the above, which are held under hire purchase contracts are as follows:

	Computer equipment £
COST	
At 1 September 2018	9,248
Additions	7,000
At 31 August 2019	16,248
DEPRECIATION	
At 1 September 2018	7,709
Charge for year	514
At 31 August 2019	8,223
NET BOOK VALUE	
At 31 August 2019	8,025
At 31 August 2018	1,539

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10. CURRENT ASSET INVESTMENTS

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Unlisted investments	<u>19,536</u>	<u>13,062</u>

11. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Hire purchase (see note 13)	564	1,864
Accruals and deferred income	<u>45,478</u>	<u>37,851</u>
	<u>46,042</u>	<u>39,715</u>

12. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE AFTER MORE THAN ONE YEAR

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Hire purchase contracts (see note 13)	<u>6,436</u>	<u>2,774</u>

13. LEASING AGREEMENTS

Minimum lease payments under hire purchase fall due as follows:

	2019	2018 as restated
	£	£
Net obligations repayable:		
Within one year	564	1,864
Between one and five years	<u>6,436</u>	<u>2,774</u>
	<u>7,000</u>	<u>4,638</u>

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.9.18 £	Prior year adjustment £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.8.19 £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	346,535	56,518	(31,658)	23,521	394,916
Methodist Women in Britain	294	-	(55)	-	239
Hand in Hand	11,804	-	(2,577)	-	9,227
The Holy Biscuit	44,531	-	(12,419)	-	32,112
Walker Benevolent Fund	107	-	(58)	-	49
Deacon Fund	-	-	1,177	-	1,177
Dixon bequests	-	-	3,566	-	3,566
	403,271	56,518	(42,024)	23,521	441,286
Restricted funds					
Doris Nuttall bequest	2,208	-	16	-	2,224
Property Fund	10,901	-	199,612	74,539	285,052
Elizabeth Burton bequest	101,282	-	92	(99,060)	2,314
Dorothy Burns bequest	9,356	-	67	1,000	10,423
	123,747	-	199,787	(23,521)	300,013
Endowment funds					
The Susannah Gibson memorial fund	525	-	5	-	530
WR Dixon Gift	-	-	1,552	-	1,552
	525	-	1,557	-	2,082
TOTAL FUNDS	527,543	56,518	159,320	-	743,381

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	745,208	(776,866)	-	(31,658)
Methodist Women in Britain	2,053	(2,108)	-	(55)
Hand in Hand	7,520	(10,097)	-	(2,577)
The Holy Biscuit	73,813	(86,232)	-	(12,419)
Walker Benevolent Fund	42	(100)	-	(58)
Deacon Fund	1,181	-	(4)	1,177
Dixon bequests	3,390	(7)	183	3,566
	833,207	(875,410)	179	(42,024)
Restricted funds				
Doris Nuttall bequest	19	(3)	-	16
Property Fund	255,185	(55,573)	-	199,612
Elizabeth Burton bequest	1	91	-	92
Dorothy Burns bequest	88	(21)	-	67
	255,293	(55,506)	-	199,787
Endowment funds				
The Susannah Gibson memorial fund	15	(3)	(7)	5
WR Dixon Gift	1,475	(2)	79	1,552
	1,490	(5)	72	1,557
TOTAL FUNDS	1,089,990	(930,921)	251	159,320

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

Comparatives for movement in funds

	At 1.9.17 £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.8.18 £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	385,279	(18,284)	36,058	403,053
Methodist Women in Britain	82	212	-	294
Hand in Hand	-	-	11,804	11,804
The Holy Biscuit	-	-	44,531	44,531
Walker Benevolent Fund	-	-	107	107
	<u>385,361</u>	<u>(18,072)</u>	<u>92,500</u>	<u>459,789</u>
Restricted funds				
Doris Nuttall bequest	4,029	(1,821)	-	2,208
Property Fund	46,724	(35,823)	-	10,901
Elizabeth Burton bequest	178,337	(55)	(77,000)	101,282
Dorothy Burns bequest	24,845	11	(15,500)	9,356
	<u>253,935</u>	<u>(37,688)</u>	<u>(92,500)</u>	<u>123,747</u>
Endowment funds				
The Susannah Gibson memorial fund	486	39	-	525
	<u>486</u>	<u>39</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>525</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>639,782</u>	<u>(55,721)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>584,061</u>

Comparative net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	670,431	(688,715)	-	(18,284)
Methodist Women in Britain	2,221	(2,009)	-	212
	<u>672,652</u>	<u>(690,724)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(18,072)</u>
Restricted funds				
Doris Nuttall bequest	74	(1,895)	-	(1,821)
Property Fund	26,966	(62,789)	-	(35,823)
Elizabeth Burton bequest	99	(154)	-	(55)
Dorothy Burns bequest	11	-	-	11
	<u>27,150</u>	<u>(64,838)</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>(37,688)</u>
Endowment funds				
The Susannah Gibson memorial fund	15	(1)	25	39
	<u>15</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>39</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>699,817</u>	<u>(755,563)</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>(55,721)</u>

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined position is as follows:

	At 1.9.17 £	Prior year adjustment £	Net movement in funds £	Transfers between funds £	At 31.8.19 £
Unrestricted funds					
General fund	385,279	56,518	(49,942)	59,579	451,434
Methodist Women in Britain	82	-	157	-	239
Hand in Hand	-	-	(2,577)	11,804	9,227
The Holy Biscuit	-	-	(12,419)	44,531	32,112
Walker Benevolent Fund	-	-	(58)	107	49
Deacon Fund	-	-	1,177	-	1,177
Dixon bequests	-	-	3,566	-	3,566
	<u>385,361</u>	<u>56,518</u>	<u>(60,096)</u>	<u>116,021</u>	<u>497,804</u>
Restricted funds					
Doris Nuttall bequest	4,029	-	(1,805)	-	2,224
Property Fund	46,724	-	163,789	74,539	285,052
Elizabeth Burton bequest	178,337	-	37	(176,060)	2,314
Dorothy Burns bequest	<u>24,845</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>78</u>	<u>(14,500)</u>	<u>10,423</u>
	<u>253,935</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>162,099</u>	<u>(116,021)</u>	<u>300,013</u>
Endowment funds					
The Susannah Gibson memorial fund	486	-	44	-	530
WR Dixon Gift	-	-	1,552	-	1,552
	<u>486</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>1,596</u>	<u>-</u>	<u>2,082</u>
TOTAL FUNDS	<u><u>639,782</u></u>	<u><u>56,518</u></u>	<u><u>103,599</u></u>	<u><u>-</u></u>	<u><u>799,899</u></u>

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

A current year 12 months and prior year 12 months combined net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources £	Resources expended £	Gains and losses £	Movement in funds £
Unrestricted funds				
General fund	1,415,639	(1,465,581)	-	(49,942)
Methodist Women in Britain	4,274	(4,117)	-	157
Hand in Hand	7,520	(10,097)	-	(2,577)
The Holy Biscuit	73,813	(86,232)	-	(12,419)
Walker Benevolent Fund	42	(100)	-	(58)
Deacon Fund	1,181	-	(4)	1,177
Dixon bequests	3,390	(7)	183	3,566
	1,505,859	(1,566,134)	179	(60,096)
Restricted funds				
Doris Nuttall bequest	93	(1,898)	-	(1,805)
Property Fund	282,151	(118,362)	-	163,789
Elizabeth Burton bequest	100	(63)	-	37
Dorothy Burns bequest	99	(21)	-	78
	282,443	(120,344)	-	162,099
Endowment funds				
The Susannah Gibson memorial fund	30	(4)	18	44
WR Dixon Gift	1,475	(2)	79	1,552
	1,505	(6)	97	1,596
TOTAL FUNDS	<u>1,789,807</u>	<u>(1,686,484)</u>	<u>276</u>	<u>103,599</u>

Unrestricted Funds

General Funds

These are funds that are available to be spent for any purpose by the charity.

Methodist Women in Britain

The Methodist Women in Britain, previously known as The Network Group and sometimes referred to as the Circuit Network, is a fellowship aimed at women of all ages within the church, who support each other and raise funds each year for 'the Easter offering', a Connexionally designated charity of the year. There are pastoral groups, fellowships and social activities. A small amount of the group's income is used for administrative costs, but most money is handed on to support the wider church.

Hand in Hand

A project was founded more than ten years ago by the former Heaton and Wallsend Circuit, based at Trinity Church Wallsend, serving the elderly and isolated in Wallsend. As time passed, the project expanded and provided lunch clubs, reminiscence and activity clubs as well as a befriending and visiting in homes service in Wallsend, Heaton, Longbenton and other places in North Tyneside. About seven years ago the project grew rapidly because of Lottery grant funding. Sadly, when the grant finished in 2017, the management committee was unable to find a follow on funder and the project shrank significantly and now only operates from Trinity and Heaton Methodist Churches. Consequently, Hand in Hand has returned to be completely controlled by the Circuit with a small management group chaired by Rev'd Gavin Hume and legacy funds are being used to ensure that there are high quality lunch and activity clubs.

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

The Holy Biscuit

Shieldfield Methodist Church closed as Local Church or Society, and in about 2006 the premises were rented to various organisations including a local radio station. By 2009 there was a proposal to sell the site but Rev'd Rob Hawkins in consultation with local businessman Ramy Zac, proposed a radical suggestion to develop and arts expression of Church, a form of Fresh Expressions of Church, using the premises. Mr Zac said that he would carry out, at his expense, a major refurbishment and Rob would set up the organisation of what quickly became known as The Holy Biscuit - it being opposite the Biscuit Factory art gallery. Until recently it has operated as a separate fund, but it is now felt that it should be an internal organisation of the Circuit, which 'owns' it.

The project has grown and now receives significant grants from the Methodist Connexional grants committee and is seen as an integral part of the arts scene in Newcastle. There are links to both universities in Newcastle and the one in Sunderland as well as the Ouseburn arts community. The Holy Biscuit is now reaching out to the local community, schools and other churches in Shieldfield. As well as providing gallery space, the premises are well used, for example, painting for fun (working with those who have health problems), schools work and church with a difference mid-week services.

The Walker Benevolent Fund

This fund represents funds that have been set aside for use at the discretion of the Deacon.

The Deacon Fund

This fund represents Model Trust funds transferred from the former Allen Memorial Methodist Church, the capital and income from which can be used at the discretion of the Deacon.

The Dixon bequests

This fund represents Model Trust funds transferred from the former Allen Memorial Methodist Church, the income from which can be used at the discretion of the Deacon and capital may be used with certain restrictions.

Restricted Funds

The Doris Nuttall bequest

This fund represents funds donated to provide for the repair and refurbishment of the Trinity Christian Community Centre. The fund is held in cash.

The Property Fund

This fund represents funds relating to the sale, letting or other disposition of land which is Circuit property. The authority to sanction schemes for the application of capital money in the fund rests with the Circuit meeting, subject to approval by the Synod. The fund is represented by investments.

The Elizabeth Burton bequest

This fund represents part of the fund bequeathed to Willington Quay (Wesleyan) Central Methodist Church, the funds to be used for general use and support of the cause. Funds are held in cash and property.

The Dorothy Burns bequest

This fund represents funds donated to the Belmont Methodist Church, upon the sale of which, were allocated to the Newcastle (Central & East) Circuit. The funds are to be used for general use and support of the cause. Funds are held in cash.

Endowment Funds

The Susannah Gibson Memorial Fund

This fund represents monies left to the church by the late Susannah Gibson, the income from which can be used 'for the sustenance of Wesleyan Ministers'.

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14. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS - continued

The WR Dixon Gift

This fund represents Model Trust funds transferred from the former Allen Memorial Methodist Church, which is a permanent endowment and therefore only the income may be used at the discretion of the Deacon.

15. VOLUNTEERS

The charity places great value on the contributions that volunteers make to the organisation. Over the course of the year, we benefited greatly not only from the considerable time, energy and expertise given by the managing trustees and Circuit stewards, but other volunteers as well.

Some of the trustees are local preachers and they lead worship and fellowship in the Churches. There are approximately 10 other voluntary officers who undertake other roles.

16. RELATED PARTY DISCLOSURES

There were no related party transactions for the year ended 31 August 2019.

17. ULTIMATE CONTROLLING PARTY

The ultimate controlling party of the Circuit is considered to be the Annual Conference of the Methodist Church.

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	2019 £	2018 as restated £
INCOME AND ENDOWMENTS		
Donations and legacies		
Administration	266,424	246,431
Assessments	438,149	400,734
Gift aid	253	-
Other incoming resources	<u>304,135</u>	<u>-</u>
	1,008,961	647,165
Other trading activities		
Books & telephone income	10,366	10,908
Sundry income	<u>15,166</u>	<u>20,461</u>
	25,532	31,369
Investment income		
Rents received	53,387	21,283
Interest received	<u>2,110</u>	<u>-</u>
	<u>55,497</u>	<u>21,283</u>
Total incoming resources	1,089,990	699,817
EXPENDITURE		
Charitable activities		
Wages	432,213	452,978
Social security	23,495	24,255
Pensions	50,990	51,300
Telephone	10,520	8,658
Postage and stationery	6,798	7,436
Other expenses	36,998	55,690
Gifts and donations	10,000	-
Assessments	100,883	102,853
Travel	18,632	18,721
Independent examiner's fees	3,900	5,010
Repairs and property costs	118,051	22,483
Connexional funds	12,613	(591)
Pulpit supply	3,190	-
The Holy Biscuit costs	86,232	-
Hand in Hand costs	10,097	-
Methodist Women in Britain costs	2,108	-
Depreciation of freehold property	3,687	3,687
Depreciation of computer equipment	<u>514</u>	<u>3,083</u>
	<u>930,921</u>	<u>755,563</u>
Total resources expended	930,921	755,563
Net income/(expenditure) before gains and losses	159,069	(55,746)

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**DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES
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	2019 £	2018 as restated £
Realised recognised gains and losses		
Realised gains/(losses) on fixed asset investments	<u>251</u>	<u>25</u>
Net income/(expenditure)	<u>159,320</u>	<u>(55,721)</u>