

Trustees' Annual Report for the period Period start date Period end date 1 Sep 2019 To 31 Aug 2020

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Section A	Reference and	i administrati	on details

Wilmslow Methodist Church				
1129459				
Kings Close				
Water Lane				
WILMSLOW, Cheshire				
Postcode	SK9 5AR			
	1129459 Kings Close Water Lane WILMSLOW, Cheshire			

Names of the charity trustees who manage the charity

	Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
1	THOMAS Rev Katy	Minister and Chairperson		Methodist Conference
2	FALLOWS Mrs Jocelyn	Trust Secretary		Trustees
3	BARNEY Mrs Marie			Member's Meeting
4	BERRY Rev Philip	Circuit Minister		Methodist Conference
5	BOURNE Mrs Pat			Member's Meeting
6	COE Mrs Emma	Children and Family Worker		Trustees
7	COWARD Mrs Heather			Member's Meeting
8	DEVERELL Mr Bill	Church Treasurer		Trustees
9	DEVERELL Mrs Jenny	Church Administrator		Trustees
10	EVANS Mrs Margaret			Member's Meeting
11	GIBBS Mrs Jenny			Member's Meeting
12	GODDARD Mr Roger	Property & Finance Committee Chair		Trustees
13	GODDARD Mrs Christine	CCSW		Member's Meeting
14	HASSELL Mrs Julie	Pastoral Secretary		Trustees
15	HOLT Mrs Gwyn	Sunday Kids		Trustees
16	HOUGHTON Mrs Joan	Choir		Trustees
17	KENNEDY Mr Ian	Property Steward and Scouts		Trustees
18	KENNEDY Mrs Christine	Safeguarding Officer		Trustees
19	PEACOCK Rev Philip	Circuit Superintendent Minister		Methodist Conference

20	PERRY Mr Simon	Gift Aid Co-ordinator	Trustees
21	SAXTON Mrs Janet	Former Steward	Member's Meeting
22	SINGER Mrs Christine	Pre School Manager	Trustees
23	THOMPSON Mrs Ann	Churches Together	Trustees
24	TONKS Dr David		Member's Meeting
25	TUCKER Ms Avril		Leadership Team

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

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Type of governing document (e.g. trust deed, constitution)	Act of Parliament DEED OF UNION (1932) AND METHODIST CHURCH ACT (1976)
How the charity is constituted (e.g. trust, association, company)	Trust
Trustee selection methods (e.g. appointed by, elected by)	All members of the Church Council are Trustees. Appointments are made to Church Council in accordance with the list at Section A and to be eligible the appointee must have been received into the membership of the church or have had his membership transferred from another church.
	The Church Council meets three times a year and is responsible for making decisions on all matters of general concern and importance to the church and on how the church funds are to be spent. The Church Council receives reports from a number of committees including finance, property, worship, pastoral, children and family worker, missions, URC/Methodist covenant steering group and circuit. An annual meeting is held to which all members of the church are invited.

Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects (include within this section the statutory declaration that trustees have had regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit)

The Methodist Church Act 1976 provides that;

The purposes of the Methodist Church are and shall be deemed to have been since the date of union the advancement of:-

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

When planning activities to further the purposes of the church the Church Council takes into account the:-

1] Methodist Calling

This is to respond to the gospel of God's love in Christ and to live out discipleship in worship. This is underpinned by the belief that:-

- a. The Church exists to increase awareness of God's presence and to celebrate God's love.
- b. The Church exists to help people to grow and learn as Christians through mutual support and care.
- c. The Church exists to be a good neighbour to people in need and to challenge injustice.
- d. The Church exists to make more followers of Jesus Christ.
- 2] Charity Commission guidance on public benefit and in particular specific guidance on charities for the advancement of religion.

 In particular we try to enable people to practice their faith through the provision of worship, hible study and prayer. We endeavour to provide

provision of worship, bible study and prayer. We endeavour to provide pastoral care both to our church members and to the wider community. We work to serve our local community through the availability of our premises for use by local groups. We also support local charities, international charities and worldwide disaster areas.

During the period 1 September 2019 to 31 August 2020 the Church family committed to focus time and resources on the following 3 areas:

- 1) Welcome/Pastoral Care
- 2) Worship & Study
- 3) Witness

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include further statements, where relevant, about:

- policy on grant making;
- policy programme related investment;
- contribution made by volunteers.

The work of the church could not be undertaken without the dedicated and enthusiastic support of its volunteers. The Trustees are grateful to all church members who work tirelessly in many capacities to ensure that the church is run well, and its buildings are kept in good repair. The Trustees would also like to thank those church members who give freely of their time so that the church can continue to serve the local community. These volunteers are too many to mention by name but their contribution is essential to the ministry of the church and much valued.

Section D

Achievements and performance

Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

As well as our weekly Sunday worship programme, Wilmslow Methodist Church provides many weekly activities and groups for all ages, throughout the year. Full details can be found on our website: www.wilmslowmethodists.org.uk
For a full report of all that has happened this year, plus copies of recent Annual Reports are available on request, by emailing our Church Office.

Listed below is a summary of the more recent initiatives in our 3 areas of focus: 1. Welcome/Pastoral Care; 2. Worship & Study; 3. Witness.

It should be noted that many areas of church life have been affected by Coronavirus restrictions since March 2020. However we have been grateful that several groups have been able to continue via online groups, using Zoom online conferencing.

1) Welcome/Pastoral Care

We are especially grateful to our loyal team of pastoral visitors, organised by our Pastoral Secretary, who support and share in the joys and sorrows of our church community. Our 'flower ministry' plays a vital role, bringing joy to worshippers and also to those who receive flower deliveries from our team. This has been such a vital role since March 2020 during the periods of national lockdown. Our Church Office is usually the information hub of the church, along with our Coffee Lounge, providing hospitality and a welcome to visitors from our busy town centre community. Until lockdown, both were staffed every morning from Monday to Friday, providing an open door to those participating in the many weekly church and community group meetings, as well as individuals needing a listening ear. Since March 2020, the office was closed, and a phone call and shopping network was established to keep in touch with those living alone, In addition, a Saturday Morning Coffee chat on Zoom has proved a welcome opportunity for members to keep in touch with one another.

2) Worship & Study

From September to March 2020, regular worship continued as follows: a weekly 10.30 am Sunday worship, a monthly 9am *Contemplative Communion* and evening *Mindful Church* as well as a quarterly Café Church. Since March 2020 a dedicated worship team has delivered a 20 minute service via YouTube once a week. The service has contributions from members of 3 churches, Wilmslow, Styal and Handforth. This has been extremely well received and has provided vital spiritual encouragement and hope during the most challenging time in a generation.

Opportunities for adult study were provided by Rev Katy Thomas and Chris Goddard (CCSW) as follows: *Mindfulness & Christian Spirituality* courses exploring contemporary mindfulness, alongside the ancient Christian contemplative tradition; a book study on Rob Bell's *What is the Bible?* and an Advent book study and group meeting, including Ignatian scripture reading. The *Whats App* bible study and online *Mindful Oasis* sessions have continued since September '19, providing home study resources, as well as being a point of contact. These groups have been especially appreciated during lockdown

3) Witness

Our Family and Outreach work continues to spread in the community, under the leadership of our lay worker, Emma Coe. As well as regular weekly groups, a programme of family friendly events is offered during term-time, including *SK Club*, celebrating the main Christian festivals, and *Mini Ciné*, a film night for early years children and parents. Emma also regularly takes school assemblies for Key Stage 2 (juniors) at Lacey Green School once a term and for the whole school at the major Christian Festivals. Since March 2020, several of these activities have been delivered online and videos made to send out to the school. Our *Craft & Chatter* group continued making crafts to decorate the church and noticeboards, including knitted rainbows to show support for the NHS. The *In-Together* group continued to provide hospitality, activities and a safe space for dementia clients until March 2020. Both these groups found ways to meet online during lockdown, which has been greatly appreciated. Added to that, we have connected to many more people through our weekly YouTube Service (see 2. Worship and Study above).

Section E	Financial review
Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves	The Reserves Policy is attached to the Accounts

Section G Declaration

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)	
Full name(s)	Rev Kathryn Thomas
Position (e.g. Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair
Date	2 Feb 2021

Church Accruals Accounts



REPORT AND ACCOUNTS (ACCRUALS BASIS)

for the year ended 31 August 2020

	Wilmslov	Church	
tered Charity - Registr	ation number (if applicable)		1129459
	Circuit No	19/15	
Minister	Rev. Kathryn Thomas]
Church Stewards	Mrs Jocelyn Fallows		
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Mr Bill Deverell

ChurchTreasurer

Wilmslow Methodist

Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) for the year ended 31 August 2020

	Notes to the account	General Fund	Designated Funds (unrestricted)	Restricted Funds	Endowment Funds	Total 2019-20	Total 2018-19
	account	£	£	£	£	£	2010-19
Income	4 0	£	L	L	L	L	
	1 - 8	62,000				62.000	FO 72F
1 Offerings		62,988				62,988	59,735
2 Donations 3 Gift aid		1,815 14,430				1,815	1,991
		,				14,430	14,504
4 Interest and investment income		543				543 0	509
5 Income from investment properties				00.242		•	125.026
6 Internal organisations 7 Other charitable income		26 000		90,343 -8,210		90,343	135,036
8 Total income		26,808	0	*	0	18,598	26,034
		106,583		82,133		188,717	237,810
Expenditure	ı						
9 Salaries, NIC & Pension costs		24,694		78,548		103,242	112,591
9a Circuit assessment or share		52,718				52,718	52,196
10 Grants and donations		0				0	2,845
11 Property maintenance		11,086				11,086	10,182
12 Insurance, utilities etc		12,647				12,647	13,479
13 Depreciation						0	0
14 Office expenses		2,284				2,284	1,210
15 Other expenditure		1,849				1,849	1,177
16 Internal organisations				8,416		8,416	11,372
17 Total charitable expenditure		105,278	0	86,964	0	192,242	205,051
18 Gains/(losses) on monetary investments						0	0
19 Gains/(losses) on investment properties						0	0
20 Net income/(expenditure)		1,306	0	-4,831	0	-3,525	32,759
21 Transfers between funds		-250	250	0		0	0
22 Other gains/(losses)				29,396		29,396	90,426
23 Net movement in funds		1,056	250	24,565	0	25,871	123,185
24 Total funds brought forward		67,218	22,900	2,726,118		2,816,237	2,693,054
25 Total funds carried forward		68,274	23,150	2,750,684	0	2,842,108	2,816,237

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Balance Sheet as at 31 August 2020

		Unrestricted	Designated (Unrestricted)	Restricted	Endowment Funds	Totals this year	Totals last year
		£		£	£	£	£
Tangible Fixed Assets*							
	Notes						
Land & Buildings	9			2,703,751		2,703,751	2,674,355
Total fixed assets				2,703,751		2,703,751	2,674,355
Current Assets				,, -		,,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Debtors and Prepayments	10	8,807				8,807	8,595
Cash at Bank and in hand	10	14,110		356		14,466	8,640
Trustees for Methodist Church	10	14,110		330		14,400	0,040
Purposes deposits							
Central Finance Board Deposits		50,961	23,150	1,000		75,112	79,188
Other				45,576		45,576	50,407
Total current assets		73,879	23,150	46,933		143,962	146,829
Creditors and Accruals (due in under				,			
1 yr)	11	5,605				5,605	4,947
Net current assets (liabilities)		68,274	23,150	46,933		138,357	141,882
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Total assets less current liabilities		68,274	23,150	2,750,684		2,842,108	2,816,237
Loans and creditors due after 1 year							
Provisions for liabilities and charges							
Net assets		68,274	23,150	2,750,684		2,842,108	2,816,237
Funds of the Church	12						
Unrestricted funds		68,274				68,274	67,218
Designated funds			23,150			23,150	22,900
Restricted funds		_		2,750,684		2,750,684	2,726,118
Endowment funds			_				
Total Funds		68,274	23,150	2,750,684		2,842,108	2,816,237
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		Opening balance	Receipts	Payments	Net Receipts/	Adjustments	Closing
					Payments		balances
Internal Organisations							
Fri LC		320	1,186	1,307	-121		199
Pre-school		46,219	87,954	93,607	-5,653		40,566
In Together		3,867	1,204	260	944		4,811
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Total		50,407	90,343	95,174	-4,831		45,576

Signed

W Deverell 9/10/20

Church Treasurer

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Notes to the Accounts

1. Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared under the Charities Act 2011 in accordance with FRS102 (Charities SORP (FRS102)) and the Charities Act 2011

2. Funds

The funds held constitute: General Funds held for any purpose of the Church which are Unrestricted. Restricted funds which are held for a narrower purpose including those for internal organisations. There are also the following Endowment funds as listed. Details of each material fund are disclosed in note 16. Any funds may be represented by more than just cash.

3. Accounting policies

Basis

These accounts have been prepared on the basis of historical cost except that investments are shown at their market value at the end of the year, on the accruals basis to show a true and fair view of the Church's financial position and activities.

Income

Income is included in the Statement of Financial Activities (SOFA) when the Church becomes entitled to the resources, and the trustees are reasonably certain they will receive the resources; and the monetary value can be measured with sufficient reliability.

Expenditure

This is recognised when a liability is incurred, or a constructive obligation arises, that results in the payment being unavoidable. Liabilities are recognised as soon as an outflow of economic benefit is considered more likely than not under the legal or constructive obligation committing the Circuit to pay out resources.

Grants

Grants made by the Church from its own funds are recognised in full at the time of agreement or when the Church accepts that there is a legal or operational obligation to make the payment. When the grant is recurrent over more than one year the balance payable in future years is treated as a provision for future commitments in the Balance Sheet against the appropriate fund, the provision being released in future years as instalments are paid in accordance with the originally agreed terms.

VAT

Since the Church is not VAT registered, all input VAT is charged with the expenses to which it refers.

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Tangible fixed assets for use by the Church

These are capitalised if they can be used for more than one year, and individually cost at least £1,000.

Investment Properties

Investment properties - no property is currently deemed to not be held for the long term purposes of the charity.

Investments

Investments are valued in the balance sheet at market value at the year end. Investment income is included in the accounts when receivable and any gains or losses on revaluation at the year end are shown in the SOFA.

Debtors and Prepayments

Debtors include outstanding lettings invoices in August.

Creditors

Creditors includeoutstandings relatimng to utilities, telephones, etc in August.

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4 Donations and logics	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2020	2019
4. Donations and legacies				Total £	Total £
Collections	62988			62988	59735
Tax credits	14430			14430	14504
Donations	1815			1815	1991
Legacies	0			0	0
Total	79232	0	0	79,232	76230
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				2020	2019
5. Charitable activities	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
				£	£
Fund raising and grants	1683			1683	149
Other					
Total	1683	0	0	1683	149
	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	2020	2019
6. Other trading activities				Total	Total
	£	£		£	£
Letting	20905		-8,210	12695	21920
FITS	4220			4220	3966
				0	0
				0	0
Total	25125	0	-8,210	16915	25886
				2020	2019
7. Investment income	Unrestricted	Designated	Restricted	Total	Total
7. Investment income	£	£		£	£
Central Finance Board	549	L	•	549	488
CAF fees	-20			-20	0
RBS	-20 14			-20 14	22
Total	543		0	543	509
Total	343		· ·	343	303
				2020	2018
8. Other	Unrestricted		Restricted	Total	Total
	£	£		£	£
				0	0
				0	0
				0	0
				0	0
				0	0
Total	0		-	0	0

9. Tangible Fixed Assets

Cost or valuation

COSt Of Valuation							
Insurance Valuation used Building Only	Church (non investment) land and buildings	Other non investment land and buildings	Investment properties (land and buildings)	motor vehicles	Fixtures, fittings and equipment	Payments on account and assets under construction	Total
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Balance brought forward	2,674,355						2,674,355
Additions							
Revaluations (+/-)	29,396						29,396
Disposals (-)							
Transfers * (+/-)							
Balance carried forward	2,703,751						2,703,751
Accumulated depreciation							
Balance brought forward							
Depreciation charge for year (-)							
Revaluations (+/-)							
Disposals (-)							
Transfers* (+/-)							
Balance carried forward							
Net book value							
Brought forward	2,674,355	-	-	-	-		2,674,355
Carried forward	2,703,751	-	_	_	-		2,703,751

^{*} The "transfers" row is for movements between fixed asset categories.

^{**} Indicate the method of depreciation by deleting the method not applicable (SL = straight line; RB = reducing balance). Also indicate the rate of depreciation: for straight line, depreciation is based on the anticipated life of the asset (in years); for reducing balance, a percentage annual deduction is made each year.

10. Analysis of current assets

Debtors and prepayments	£	£
Pre paid assessments	Nil	Nil
Accrued income	8,807	8,595
Other debtors	Nil	Nil
Total debtors and prepayments	8,807	8,595

This year

Last year

Analysis of cash at bank

Bank balance held in RBS	14,446	8,586
Bank balance held in NatWest etc (for Pre School)	40,319	46,157
Bank balance held in CFB	75,112	79,188
Petty Cash & Int. Orgs. Cash	304	174
Total Cash and Bank	130,181	134,105

11. Analysis of current liabilities and long term creditors

Trade Creditors	298	345
Other Creditors	5,307	4,602
Total Current Liabilities	5,605	4,947

Capital commitments and contingent liabilities

At the 31 st August 2020 $\,$ the Church has no capital commitments.

No Contingent liabilities were identified at 31st August 2020

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12. Detailed analysis of individual fund movements

Unrestricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
General Fund	67,218	106,583	-105,278	-250		68,274
Totals	67,218	106,583	-105,278	-250	_	68,274

Designated Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Major Gifts	2,438					2438
Property	20,462					20,462
C&F Worker				250		250
Totals	22,900			250		23,150

Restricted Funds

Fund Name	Opening Balance	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation gains/losses	Closing Balance
Benevolent Fund	356					356
Legacies Fund	1,000					1000
Fixed Assets	2,674,355				29,396	2,703,751
Internal Orgs	50,407	90,343	-95,174			45,576
Tot	als 2,726,118	90,343	-95,174		29,396	2,750,684

Endowment Funds

Endowment Funds						
Restricted Fund Name	Opening	Income	Expenditure	Transfers	Revaluation	Closing Balance
	Balance				gains/losses	
To	tals					

Fund purposes

See Reserves Policy

Reasons for transfer between funds

See Detailed Notes

Wilmslow Church

DECLARATIONS

Treasurer

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

Signature of Treasurer		W Deverell	Date	09-Oct	-20	
Name	Γ	W A R Deverell]			
Address 12 Thorngrove Hill WILMSLOW SK9 1DF			_			
Presentation to the Chi	urch Coun	cil Meeting for approval.				
I confirm that the Accounts	were, prese	ented to the Church Council Meeting o	n			
and were approved.						
Signature of the Chair of the meeting		Kathryn Thomas				
Name of the Chair of the meeting		Rev Kathryn Thomas	<u>-</u>]			
Date	_		-			
Independent Examiner	s Report t	o the Trustees of the				
		Wilmslow Methodist Church				

Respective responsibilities of Trustees and Examiner

I report on the Church Accounts for the year ended 31st August

The Church's trustees are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The Church'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.

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It is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011;
- 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.

Wilmslow Church Basis of Independent Examiner's Report

My examination was carried out in accordance with the 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 you as Trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a "true and fair view" and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statement below.

Independent Examiner's Statement

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that in any material respect the requirements:
 - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 130 of the Charities Act 2011.
 - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records and comply with the accounting requirements of the Charities Act

have not been met; or

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

Name	Pet		
Signature	Peter	· de la Wyche	
Relevant Professiona	al qualificatio <u>n or body</u>		
		FCA	
Address		16 Lindow Fold Drive WILMSLOW SK9 6DT	
Date	10/11/20		

RESERVES POLICY

Report on behalf of **WILMSLOW Methodist Church** (*Church Council/ Circuit Meeting/District) To **BRAMHALL AND WYTHENSHAWE** (*Circuit Meeting/District/Resourcing Mission Office) We submit our annual report in accordance with the We have agreed a Reserves Policy which is requirements of the Methodist Conference and the set out overleaf and is recorded in the Charities SORP. trustees' minutes and our Annual Report **(I)** The trustees have established their mission We recognise the need to be accountable as aims taking into account all of the resources charity trustees for all the money which comes available in terms of people, property and into our hands and will provide further money information as required by the Circuit/District/Connexion Mission initiatives/projects have been costed (ii) or estimates made of projected future costs Our Report is attached overleaf which take into account the needs of the buildings and the requirements of the * please delete as appropriate Quinquennial Inspection Report/s To be completed by Receiving Body The BRAMHALL AND WYTHENSHAWE *Circuit Meeting/District/Resourcing Mission Office received the RESERVES POLICY of **WILMSLOW Methodist Church** *Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District YES /NO Policy accepted and acknowledgement sent to the trustees Policy noted and the following enquiries made of the trustees Responses received and any further action taken *Circuit/District/Resourcing Mission Office **Signatures** Date.....

* Please delete as appropriate

RESERVES POLICY of

WILMSLOW Methodist Church

(*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District)

1.	General Funds held at Y/E 31/08/20	£68,274
2.	Restricted and Designated Funds held at Y/E 31/08/20	£24,507
3.	Endowment Funds held at Y/E 31/08/20	£0

The Reserve Funds held by the Church are set out below. The Funds are described as Unrestricted where they can be used for any Church purpose, designated where the Church Council has determined they should be applied for a particular purpose or Restricted where the use of the funds is proscribed by some form of legally binding rules. The level of individual Reserves and of the total Reserves held is monitored by the Finance Committee on an ongoing basis. The Finance Committee seeks to ensure that adequate but not excessive Reserves are held for the anticipated needs of the Church. They then make recommendations from their review to the Church Council which determines any actions to be taken as a result.

4. **General Fund** (Unrestricted)

The General Fund comprises the accumulated surpluses and deficits on our normal income and expenditure. We aim to hold around four months' average expenditure (about £30,000) to allow for variations in cash flows and the risk of loss of short-term letting income from church rooms. At the year end the balance was ££68,274.

5. **Benevolent Fund** (Restricted)

The Benevolent Fund is held to allow the Minister to make small payments to needy persons who approach the Church for urgent assistance. We aim to hold around £100 in this fund. At the year end the balance was £356. There was no activity on this fund during the year.

6. **Property Fund** (Designated)

The Property Fund is held to provide for major repair and refurbishment expenditure for the building. We aim to hold £20,000 in this fund to ensure such work can be undertaken promptly. At the year end the balance was £20,462. Where relevant costs arise, we seek to utilize other restricted funds first to maximize the funds available for designated or unrestricted purposes within the Church Council's control. If required, this Fund would be topped up by either special fundraising activity or a transfer from the General Fund. There was no activity on this fund during the year.

7. **Legacies** (Restricted)

The Legacy Fund comprises bequests to the Church whose use is determined by either Methodist Church Model Trust rules or by the terms of the Will. We seek to utilize these funds for major one-off expenditure such as the purchase of expensive equipment for use in the building. By its nature there is no target level for this fund. The fund currently holds £1,000. There was no activity on this fund during the year.

8. **Major Gifts** (Designated)

The Major Gift Fund comprises significant one-off gifts to the Church where it is felt appropriate to hold them outside the General Fund and utilize them for significant one-off expenditures, including support for emergency appeals. By its nature there is no target level for this fund. The fund currently holds £2,438. There was no activity on this fund during the year.

9. **Children and Family Work** (Designated)

This fund was opened in September 2019 by the donation of £250 to support work with children and families. There was no activity on this fund during the year.

10. **Internal Organisations** (Restricted) This money comprises all the reserves of Internal Organisations. These reserves are small except for Pre-School. At year end the total was 45,576 of which £ 40,566 related to the Pre-School. The Pre-school balance is approximately six months' operational costs. £4,811 relates to the In Together Café and £199 to Lunch Club.

This Reserves Policy has been approved by WILMSLOW Methodist Church (*Church Council/Circuit Meeting/District)

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