



Trustees' Annual Report for the period

Period start date		Period end date	
From	01 09 2019	To	31 08 2020

Section A Reference and administration details

Charity name

Other names charity is known by

Registered charity number (if any)

Charity's principal address

Postcode

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	Maureen Farmery			
2	Joyce Evans			
3	John Mountford			
4	Ann Powell			
5	Geoff Edwardson			
6	Heather Price			
7	David Evans			
8	Janet Williams		Appt 13June19	
9	Eileen Precious			
10	Mike Owens			
11	Janet James			
12	Rev Kim Stilwell	Chair		
13	Mavis Morris			
14	Laurence Taylor			
15	Lynda Munton			
16	David Harlington	Secretary		
17	Adrian Williams			
18	Brent Waite			
19	Colin Precious			
20	Stephen Dalton			
21	Rhiannon Richardson			
22	Rev Neil Richardson		Appt 23Jul20	
23	Elizabeth Wright			
24	Edith Blair			

25	Annie Jones			
26	Freda Pugh		Rtd 12Nov20	
27	Gordon Treacy			
28	Dorothy Eadie RIP		Dcd Feb20	
29	John Eadie	Treasurer	Rtd 14Nov19 Re Appt 30May20	
30	Ruth Henley	Treasurer	Appt 14Nov19 Rtd 30May20	
31	Hayward Morris			
32	Cathy Pritchard			
33	Ron Gittings			
34	Ruth Downes		Appt 23Jul20	
35	Lindsay Beavon		Appt 23Jul20	
36	Lucie Hounslow			

Names of the trustees for the charity, if any, (for example, any custodian trustees)

Name	Dates acted if not for whole year

Names and addresses of advisers (Optional information)

Type of adviser	Name	Address

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

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Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of governing document (eg. trust deed, constitution)	Deed of Union (1932) Methodist Church Act 1976
How the charity is constituted (eg. trust, association, company)	The Church's Constitution is contained in Parts 1 and 2 of the Constitutional Practice and Discipline of the Methodist Church, CPD. The composition of the Church Council is outlined in Standing Order 610 of the CPD and is elected annually. Ludlow Methodist Church registered as a charity 18 March 2019.
Trustee selection methods (eg. appointed by, elected by)	Standing Order 607(3) limits the tenure of church stewards, treasurers or Church Council and Pastoral Committee secretaries and those elected to the Church Council under Standing Order 623 to six successive years (subject to the exception outlined in Standing Order 607(4)). Standing Order 607(1) provides that all other appointments, either those members adopted by the Church Council (up to 15) or elected at the General Church Meeting (between 6 and 15). shall be for one year.

Additional governance issues (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant, about:

- policies and procedures adopted for the induction and training of trustees;
- the charity's organisational structure and any wider network with which the charity works;
- relationship with any related parties;
- trustees' consideration of major risks and the system and procedures to manage them.

Section C Objectives and activities

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

The advancement of the Christian faith in accordance with the doctrinal standards and the discipline of the Methodist Church.
The advancement of any charitable purpose of any society, organisation, charity subsidiary or ancillary to the Methodist Church.

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)

Ludlow Methodist Church seeks to fulfil its mission by:

- Offering a welcome to all to join in conversation, worship and other activities.
- Helping people to learn about and develop faith and grow in Christian discipleship.
- Supporting members of the Church family and being a caring community with opportunities to study and pray together.
- Ensuring that all aspects of Church life reflect its open policy and make provision for all ages.
- Practising the inclusive gospel of Jesus Christ
- Working with our Christian neighbours in other local Churches, as well as people of other faith and no faith, and with the wider Church family in the Shropshire and Marches Circuit and throughout the world.

The charity Trustees have given due regard to the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on public benefit.

Additional details of objectives and activities (Optional information)

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

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

Section D

Achievements and performance

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Summary of the main achievements of the charity during the year

The pandemic has severely impacted the normal pattern of church life and activity. Up until March 2020,

- The building has been available for community use, including counselling, Alcoholics Anonymous, as well as worship, Junior Church, weddings, baptisms and funerals.
- The community café has provided reasonably priced food and drink and a space for conversation.
- The Youth Café has met on Friday evenings providing shelter, free hot drinks and video games.
- Home visiting or Care Home pastoral support has been provided. Pastoral oversight of all members and adherents has been given by a network of Pastoral Visitors.
- A parent and toddler group has been available two days/week.
- Regular weekly meetings have taken place for bible study.

Since lockdown, the work of the church in the community has continued in new and exciting ways.

- The church has continued to support the operation of our partner Charity, Hands Together Ludlow which has had a huge increase in demand for meals, prescription delivery, befriending, shopping, IT support etc. The church supports Hands Together with office space, volunteers, trustees and shared administrative support.
- The church has remained in contact with its congregation and contacts through weekly newsletters, delivered or on email, through regular telephone contact and through weekly services by Conference Call and on Zoom. Paper copies of the service have been distributed for those unable to join online.
- Online meetings have taken place for conversation, Testimony, study and prayer.
- Materials have been distributed to engage children and families.
- Working in collaboration with other churches, support has been given to the launch of a local Family Mentor scheme

Section E Financial review

Brief statement of the charity's policy on reserves

It is the policy of the church to keep six months running costs in reserves to cover unforeseen emergencies and any short-term fall in income. The free reserves at the end of the financial year were £117,784

Details of any funds materially in deficit

Further financial review details (Optional information)

You **may choose** to include additional information, where relevant about:

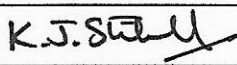
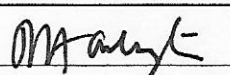
- the charity's principal sources of funds (including any fundraising);
- how expenditure has supported the key objectives of the charity;
- investment policy and objectives including any ethical investment policy adopted.

Section F Other optional information

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)	Kim Stilwell	David Harlington
Position (eg Secretary, Chair, etc)	Chair	Secretary

Date 17th June 2021



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Ludlow Methodist Church

1182508

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period from	01/09/2019	To	31/08/2020
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	Unrestricted funds to the nearest £	Restricted funds to the nearest £	Endowment funds to the nearest £	Total funds to the nearest £	Last year to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Offerings and Tax recoverable	44,977	-	-	44,977	56,786
Interest and Investment income	382	-	-	382	417
Lettings	22,256	-	-	22,256	18,771
Legacies	2,000	-	-	2,000	-
Other income	10,054	-	-	10,054	10,974
Internal Organisations	-	20,054	-	20,054	37,719
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	79,669	20,054	-	99,723	124,667
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	79,669	20,054	-	99,723	124,667
A3 Payments					
Circuit Assessment or Share	59,552	-	-	59,552	59,140
Grants and Donations	1,301	-	-	1,301	7,648
Repairs and Maintenance	17,959	-	-	17,959	20,504
Insurance, Utilities etc	10,682	-	-	10,682	8,672
Provisions	74	-	-	74	60
Other expenditure	5,317	-	-	5,317	5,700
Salaries / Professional Fees	13,678	-	-	13,678	8,099
Internal Organisations depreciation	-	21,146	-	21,146	30,312
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	108,563	21,146	-	129,709	140,135
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	26,147
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	26,147
Total payments	108,563	21,146	-	129,709	166,282
Net of receipts/(payments)	- 28,894	- 1,092	-	- 29,986	- 41,615
A5 Transfers between funds	7,956	7,956	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	138,722	19,268	-	157,990	199,605
Cash funds this year end	117,784	10,220	-	128,004	157,990

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Cash at Bank	73,063	7,143	-
	Central Finance Board & Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes deposits	44,721	3,077	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	117,784	10,220	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK

	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B2 Other monetary assets		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B3 Investment assets			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Church buildings and other property	General	306,757	254,882
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-

	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
B5 Liabilities			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees

Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
K.J. Stilwell	KJSTILWELL	19.6.21
M. A. Lyle	D HARLINGTON	12.6.21



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Independent examiner's report on the accounts

Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Charity Name
Ludlow Methodist Church

On accounts for the year
ended

31/08/2020

Charity no
(if any) 1182508

Set out on pages

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(remember to include the page numbers of additional sheets)

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/08/2020.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity's trustees, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed all the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

**Independent
examiner's statement**

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

- the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Charities Act; or
- the accounts did not accord with the accounting records; or
- the accounts did 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.

Signed: Tim Lunt

Date: 23/06/2021

Name: T Lunt

Relevant professional
qualification(s) or body
(if any):

BA FCCA MIRPM

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Belmont House, Shrewsbury Business Park,

Shrewsbury. SY2 6LG

Section B**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.