Name of Church …………………………………………………………… No………..

**Declarations and Scrutiny**

I confirm that these accruals-based accounts for the year to 31 August 2023 have been prepared from the records of the Church and that they include all funds under the control of the Church trustees.

Signature of treasurer ……………………………………………………… Date……………………..

Name and address of treasurer ………………………………………………………………………….

…………………………………………………………………………………. Post Code………………

**Presentation to the Church trustees**

I confirm that the annual report and accounts for the year ended 31 August 2023 were/will be\* presented to the meeting of the Church trustees held on ……………..

Signature of the Chair of the meeting: ……………………………………………………………………

Name of the Chair of the meeting: …………………………………………… Date ……………………

**Independent Examiner’s Report to the Trustees of the**

**……………………..……………………..Church**

**Charity Number …………..**

**Responsibilities and basis of report**

I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the …………………………………. Church for the year ended 31 August 2023 set out on pages … to …. As the Church’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 Church’s accounts carried out under section 145 of the 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.

\* delete or circle as appropriate

Name of Church ………………………………………………………………………… No ………….

**Independent Examiner’s Statement**

[The Church’s gross income exceeded £250,000 and I am qualified to undertake the examination by being a qualified member of (*insert name of applicable listed body*)]. *Delete* [ ] *if not applicable.*

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination (other than that disclosed below\*) which give me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

* the accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act; or
* the accounts do not accord with the accounting records; or
* 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
* the trustees’ annual report is not consistent with the accounts

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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.

I have/have not\* obtained independent verification of all investments with the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes or held in other trusts, bank balances and funds at the Central Finance Board of the Methodist Church which are individually in excess of £10,000 (ten thousand pounds) at the balance sheet date.

Signature of independent examiner ………………………………………………………………….

Name of independent examiner ……………………………………………………………………….

Relevant professional qualification of independent examiner ………………………………………

Name of firm (where appropriate) ………………………………………………………………………

Address ……………………………………………………………………………………………………

……………………………………………………………………………….. Post Code ………………

Date …………………………………………

\* delete or circle as appropriate

May 2023