

Annual Returns

Please find below the new questions on the Annual Returns site. These answers will need to be input on the Annual Returns site and should not be emailed into the Connexional Team.

Name of Church	Name of Circuit	Date Year Ending
		31/08/

All fields are required unless otherwise specified

Property

This section refers to properties generally. To access the form relating to specific properties, please download the Property Information form instead.

Condition of Properties		
Has the Church Council received the Report following the annual inspection of the chapel and ancillary properties?	Yes ___	No ___
What work has the church undertaken in the last year to reduce its carbon footprint and to reduce energy consumption in line with the Connexional recommendations "Hope in God's Future - Christian Discipleship in the context of Climate Change"?		
What recommendations or proposals are to be recorded in the Church Council Minute Book?		
How much (in £'s) did the Managing Trustees spend on repairs and maintenance during the past year (Standard Form of Accounts)?	£	
How much (in £'s) have the Managing Trustees budgeted/estimated will be spend on repairs and maintenance next year? (This should include any outstanding matters from the Quinquennial Inspection report)	£	
What additional estimated expenditure (in £'s) is planned for improvement/development schemes over the next 5 years?	£	
What are you annual energy costs?	___	< £1,000
	___	£1,000 to £4,999.99
	___	£5,000 to £9,999.99
	___	>= £10,000
Does the church use a green energy tariff?	N/A ___	Yes ___ No ___
Insurance Information		
Are all premiums up to date?	Yes ___	No ___

Has there been any significant change of circumstance in the last year which might influence the assessment of the risk?	Yes ___	No ___
If yes, has the insurer been informed?	Yes ___	No ___
Is the property used by outside organisations?	Yes ___	No ___
If yes, do you have a rental agreement?	Yes ___	No ___
If yes, has the insurer been informed of use by outside organisations?	Yes ___	No ___

Mission and Ministry

Do you agree with the statement, "My church has an up-to-date mission plan with concrete action points that direct our mission and evangelism"?	Yes ___	No ___
Has your church started a New Place for New People in the past year?	N/A ___	Yes ___ No ___
Does your church host or support any of the following mission projects? Select as many as apply	___	A foodbank, community pantry or similar
	___	A refugee or asylum-seeker centre, drop-in space, or another project working with refugees and asylum seekers
	___	A warm space, warm hub, warm welcome space or similar
	___	A homeless centre, drop-in space, or another project working with homeless people.

Action for Hope

The 2020 Methodist Conference set an aspirational target of net-zero carbon emissions by 2030. Asking these questions help us to co-ordinate work towards this aim.

Has your Church Council agreed to a plan to reduce the church's carbon footprint, aiming for net zero by 2030?	___	Yes
	___	No
	___	Already net zero
	___	Have a plan to reach net zero by another date.
	___	Unsure
Do you have any of the following? Select as many as apply.	___	On site solar generation (e.g. solar panels)
	___	On site wind generation (e.g. wind turbine)
	___	Other on site energy generation (e.g. hydro power)

	<input type="checkbox"/>	Heat pump
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Biomass boiler
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Water capture/reuse
Do you have a 100% renewable tariff?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unsure
What is your annual gas cost?	<input type="checkbox"/>	N/A
	<input type="checkbox"/>	< £500
	<input type="checkbox"/>	£500 to £2,499.99
	<input type="checkbox"/>	£2,500 to £4,999.99
Do you use any of the following fuels? Please select as many as apply.	<input type="checkbox"/>	LPG
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Oil
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Wood
Has your church responded to climate change with worship and/or teaching in the last year?	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Unsure

Sign Off

Completed By: _____

Completed Date: _____

Additional Notes:
