**NORTHAMPTON METHODIST DISTRICT SYNOD**

**Property Secretary’s Report to Synod meeting on 10th May 2025**

If my records are correct, I have not submitted a report to Synod since September of 2023, for which I sincerely apologise. This report summarises all consents given since that last report, together with those projects currently on the system and awaiting consent or connexional authorisation. It incorporates activity to 10th April 2025. The report also incorporates annual returns submitted to the same date.

***Consents Given***

**Oxford – 01**

52226 – Watlington (CA) – removal of three pews – cost £100 – consent 20.11.23

53077 – Woodstock (CA) – retrospective consent to stonework repairs – cost £14,118 – consent 16.2.24

53748 – 8 St Leonards Close – letting of surplus manse – consent 2.9.24

54370 – Rose Hill – installation of solar panels – cost £21,810 – consent 3.3.25

**Wantage & Abingdon – 02**

52255 – 50 Lydalls Close – Major manse upgrade – cost £23,400 – Circuit £19,400, District £4,000 – consent 25.8.23- -

52255 – 50 Lydalls Close – amendment to funding entries – consent 11.3.24

52546 – Didcot – solar panels – cost £30,000 – Circuit £3,000 – consent 11.10.23

52546 – Didcot – amendment to include District grant – cost £30,000 – Circuit £3,000, District £3,000 – consent 20.2.24

53182 – 28 St Amand Drive – mobility modifications to manse – cost £214,954 – Circuit £38,900, District £60,000, connexional funds £56,400 – consent 9.6.24

53182 – 28 St Amand Drive – amendment to adjust funding – consent 27.11.24

53182 – 28 St Amand Drive – amendment to adjust funding – consent 6.1.25

53316 – 28 St Amand Drive – solar panels & EV charging point – cost £15,000 – District £4,500 – consent 9.6.24

**West Oxfordshire – 03**

52220 – Burford (L2/CA) – sale of closed chapel – projected income £771,000 – consent 31.1.24

52221 – Burford (L2/CA) – leasehold disposal of burial ground – projected income £10,000 – consent 31.1.24

53280 – 29 Burwell Meadow – sale of manse – projected income ££450,000 – consent 17.5.24

53966 – Freeland (L2) – sale of closed chapel – projected income £150,000 – consent 14.3.25

54027 – High Street (CA) – new lease of shop unit – cost 12.12.24

54052 – Carterton – replacement heating system – cost £5,715 – consent 20.11.24

54303 – High Street (CA) – new let of church flat – consent 10.3.25

**Banbury – 05**

52183 – 1 Waller Drive – EV charging point – cost £1,074 – consent 9.1.24

52419 – Middleton Cheney – sale of closed chapel – projected income £295,000 – consent 20.6.24

52612 – Hinton – Redevelopment phase 1 – cost £126,800 – Circuit £61,000, District £35,000 – consent 2.10.23

52612 – Hinton – Amendment to correct funding entries – consent 9.1.24

52701 – Hinton – Redevelopment phase 2 – cost £30,000 – District £25,000 – consent 8.2.24

**Leicester Trinity – 07**

52290 = Bishop Street – lease of top floor to Community Cycles – consent 6.2.25

52292 – Bishop Street – lease part of first floor to After18 – consent 14.5.24

52293 – Bishop Street – addition to existing lease to Zinthiya Trust – consent 27.3.25

53412 – Birstall – concert hall refurbishment – cost £4,874 – consent 14.6.24

54428 – Great Glen (L2/CA) -video projection to hall – cost £4,420 – consent 14.3.25

54369 – 12 Cross Street – renewal letting of caretaker’s cottage to LA – consent 27.3.25

**Leicester West - 09**

52038 – St Andrew’s, Glenfield Road East – stonework repairs – cost £70,260 inc scaffolding – Circuit £7,026 – consent 20.9.23

52038 – St Andrew’s, Glenfield Road East – amendment to - orrect funding entries – consent 28.2.24

52865 – Enderby – sale of closed chapel – projected income £325,000 – consent 29.1.24

53404 – New Parks – Regeneration phase 1 – cost £5.244 – Circuit £2,000, District £1,600 – consent 26.11.24

**Hinckley – 11**

52233 – 15 Westminster Drive – sale of manse – projected income £430,000 – consent 13.12.23

**Northampton – 13**

52676 – 75 Kentstone Close – sale of manse – projected income £325,000 – consent 23.11.23

**East Mercia – 14**

51820 – 120 Connolly Drive – sale of manse – projected income £340,000 – consent 29.11.23

51821 – 2 Rowan Drive – sale of manse - projected income £320,000 – consent 30.6.24

52882 – Daventry – resurface car park – cost £23,250 – Circuit £4,999 – consent 22.12.23

53145 – Bilton – replace front doors – cost £3,065 – consent 6.3.24

53226 – 56 London Road – sale of manse – projected income £425,000 – consent 14.5.24

53229 – 1 Abbotsbury Drive – purchase of manse – projected cost £450,000 – Chapel Aid bridging loan – consent 14.5.24

53614 – Paddox – solar panels – cost £11,000 – consent 11.6.24

53740 – Lutterworth (CA) – refurbish toilet area – cost £30,360 – consent 24.9.24

53817 – Lutterworth (CA) – replacement heating system – cost £35,000 – consent 14.11.24

53996 – 90 Proclamation Avenue – sale of manse – projected income £400,000 – consent 25.2.25

54365 – Market Harborough (CA) – roof repairs – cost £41,136 – Circuit £20,568 – consent 5.3.25

**Stamford –** **15**

53557 – 17 Hereward Street – new letting of caretaker’s house – consent 28.11.24

53765 – 2 Wensum Close – letting of surplus manse – consent 31.10.24

**Peterborough – 21**

53756 – 89 Birchtree Avenue – letting of surplus manse – consent 29.8.24

**Nene Valley – 23**

42614 – Raunds – Rise up & Build – cost £404,334 – Circuit £125,000, District £50,000, shortfall £4,218 – consent 24.10.23

53735 – 5 Ashby Close – letting of surplus manse – consent 8.2.25

**Milton Keynes – 26**

52208 – Woburn Sands (CA) – Damp remedial works – cost £15,000 – District £10,000 – consent 6.9.23

53806 – Queensway – demolish derelict outbuilding – cost £15,530 – consent 14.1.25

**High Wycombe – 27**

52407 – 98 Wycombe Road – sale of manse – projected income £900,000 – consent 19.9.23

52408 - new property – purchase of manse – projected cost £997,500 – consent 19.9.23

52655 – Marlow Bottom – sale of closed chapel – projected income £300,000 – consent 2.2.24

53053 – 9 Rye View – sale of manse – projected income £650,000 – consent 17.5.24

53682 – The Avenue – sale of closed chapel – projected income £900,000 – consent 4.9.24

**Amersham – 28**

51903 – St John’s – sale of closed chapel – projected income £1.25m – consent 13.12.23

**Vale of Aylesbury – 29**

52646 – 47 King Edward Avenue – sale of manse – projected income £650,000 – consent 19.10.23

***Awaiting Consent***

**West Oxfordshire – 03**

47489 – Carterton – Sanctuary project – under review

**Amersham – 28**

48689 – Lee Common – sale at undervalue to Hope Romanian Baptist Church – Awaits approval by Synod and Connexional Council

***Awaiting Connexion***

**Hinckley – 11**

54545 – Stoke Golding – Refurbishment – cost £60,000 – awaits funding

**Peterborough – 21**

53875 – Elton – sale of closed chapel – projected income £175,000

***Annual Returns***

District Return – complete

Circuit Returns – complete 4, in progress 0, not started 15

Church Returns – complete 86 (45%)

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