

Church Checklist

Property Checklist for Annual Inspections by the Property Stewards

This form is made available so that the inspection can be carried out during the light summer evenings. When the report has been completed it should be brought, along with any recommendations or proposals, to the autumn meeting of the Church Council where it will be included in the approval of the Church Return.

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

The Site and Building Surroundings	1	2	3
Are the boundary walls, fences and gates in good condition?	NA.	Yes	No
Are paths, steps and ramps in good condition and free from hazards?	NA.	Yes	No
Are the manhole covers sound and are drains running freely?	NA.	Yes	No
Are signs/notice boards in good condition and with up to date information?	NA.	Yes	No
Are the grounds, surrounding areas and vegetation adequately maintained?	NA.	Yes	No
Are any car parking areas safe and in good condition?	NA.	Yes	No
Is there adequate provision for wheelchair access?	NA.	Yes	No
Are there any other external features on which to report?	NA.	Yes	No

The Exterior of the Building	1	2	3
General Structure: Wall			
Are the external walls satisfactory?	NA.	Yes	No
Are there any indications of penetrating dampness	NA.	Yes	No
Is the external ground level at least 150mm below damp course level?	NA.	Yes	No
Are all airbricks clear?	NA.	Yes	No
Is the building free of timber decay?	NA.	Yes	No
Is there damage due to vandalism?	NA.	Yes	No

The Exterior of the Building	1	2	3
Roof structure and coverings			
Are all roof coverings (pitched and flat) in good condition?	NA.	Yes	No
Are all flashings, edges and junctions satisfactory?	NA	Yes	No
Are all roof spaces free of water penetration?	NA.	Yes	No
Rainwater disposal			
Are all gutters and downpipes clear and working properly?	NA.	Yes	No
Are all gullies clear?	NA.	Yes	No 🗌
External doors & windows			
Are all external doors in good condition?	NA.	Yes	No
Are all window frames in sound condition?	NA.	Yes	No 🗌
Are there any defective windowpanes?	NA.	Yes	No 🗌
Are any window guards satisfactory?	NA.	Yes	No 🗌
External decorations			
Are all the decorations to woodwork, metalwork etc., in good condition?	NA.	Yes	No
The interior of the building	1	2	3
Ceilings, walls, partitions & doors			
Are all ceilings satisfactory and in good decorative order?	NA.	Yes	No
Are all walls, including internal and partitions, satisfactory?	NA.	Yes	No
Are there any signs of dampness and or timber decay?	NA	Yes	No
Are all internal doors satisfactory?	NA.	Yes	No
Are all windows sound and secure?	NA.	Yes	No
Floors & balconies etc.			
Are all floors sound and the floor coverings clean and in good order?	NA.	Yes	No

The Building Services	1	2	3		
Heating System	Heating System				
Is the heating system satisfactory and in good working order?	NA.	Yes	No _		
Has there been an annual boiler inspection?	NA.	Yes	No		
Is the gas installation satisfactory?	NA.	Yes	No		
Electrical Installation & appliances					
Is the electrical installation satisfactory?	NA.	Yes	No		
Kitchen & sanitary facilities					
Are all the kitchen facilities in good order?	NA.	Yes	No		
If kitchens are used for food preparation, are the requirements of the Local Authority Environmental Health Department being complied with?	NA.	Yes	No		
Are the toilet facilities and all the sanitary fittings clean and in good order?	NA.	Yes	No		
Are there adequate toilet facilities for the disabled?	NA.	Yes	No		
Security, Access, Health and Safety	1	2	3		
Fire Precautions (see <u>Methodist Insurance Guidanc</u>	e notes)				
Are all means of escape maintained and escape routes kept clear?	NA.	Yes	No _		
Are all exit signs and emergency lighting satisfactory?	NA	Yes	No		
Has any emergency lighting system/fire alarm system been tested?	NA.	Yes	No		
Are fire extinguishers/blankets kept in position?	NA.	Yes	No		
Are fire extinguishers serviced annual by a BAFE company?	NA.	Yes	No 🗌		
Are all fire notices properly displayed?	NA	Yes	No		
Health and Safety					
Has the mandatory Health & Safety Risk Assessment been carried out and reviewed? (see Methodist Insurance Guidance notes)	NA.	Yes	No		
Are there potential hazards for children, elderly and infirm persons?	NA.	Yes	No		
Is there an approved first aid kit on the premises?	NA.	Yes	No		
Health and Safety					
Is there an "accident book" for recording accidents?	NA.	Yes	No _		

Security, Access, Health and Safety		1	2		3
Have the managing trustees as "duty holders" carried out their management inspection of the asbestos (as required under the "Control of Asbestos Regulations 2012")? See updated Technical Guidance Note T12 (available on the Methodist website); also Control of Asbestos 2012		NA	Yes		No
Environment Audit	Environment Audit				
Has an environmental audit been carried out as a recommended contribution to the Connexional Environmental policy? (see the <u>Carbon Reduction</u> page for more information)		NA	Yes		No
Facilities for the disabled					
Equalities Act (2010) Has full provision been made to comply with the Equalities Act?		NA.	Yes		No 🗌
Have you undertaken an access audit of the premises?		NA	Yes		No
Signed:	Position Held:			Date:	