

Report from the Strategy and Resources Committee (SRC)

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Resolution	67/1. The Council receives the report.

The SRC met on 30 April 2018 and reports as follows to the Methodist Council:

1. The SRC had some discussion about the disposal of Methodist property at an under-value under the Model Trust 20 policy. It continued to be concerned about this issue and noted that the Council had this under review.
2. The committee approved the membership of the Implementation Group which was to develop and suggest ways of implementing the recommendations of the Working Party on Legal and Property Support for Managing Trustees.
3. The committee noted that it had been directed by the Methodist Council to take forward the redevelopment of Methodist Church House (MCH) and agreed that the initial stages in the planning of the redevelopment should be undertaken by the Connexional Secretary and the chair of the MCH Management Committee and that project managers should be appointed as soon as possible.
4. The committee approved the process for a statutory consultation of members of the lay employees pension scheme (PASLEMC) regarding the future of the scheme.
5. The committee was content with the changes being implemented in the staffing of the Connexional Team.
6. The committee commented on the document "Reaffirming *Our Calling*" and commended it for discussion at the Conference.

The SRC met on 13 September 2018 and reports as follows to the Methodist Council:

1. The SRC noted that the Implementation Group arising from the Working Party on Legal and Property Support for Managing Trustees had begun its work.
2. The committee discussed the amount of work to be done as a result of the decisions of the 2018 Conference and the impact it would have on the work of the team. It asked that a brief document be prepared for the Council for information. The committee would receive progress reports during the year and inform the Council of any delays or difficulties which may arise. (See MC/18/72.)
3. The committee discussed how the Districts could be supported as they developed their plans to take forward the reaffirmation of *Our Calling*.
4. The committee was pleased to note that Dr Daleep Mukarji had been nominated by the Council as chair of the SRC from 1 September 2019.

5. The committee received an update from the Connexional Secretary on the staffing in the Team and the recent changes that had been implemented.
6. The committee noted that the engagement with Fresh Expressions was embedded in the Discipleship and Evangelism cluster and agreed that there was no need to become a contributor to the creation of a new Community Interest Company called FX Resourcing.
7. The committee recommended to the Council the terms of reference for the Methodist Church House Building Project Sub-Committee. (See MC/18/83.)
8. The committee received a report on the Centenary Hall Trust and a corporate structure for the Methodist Church House redevelopment. It made recommendations to the Council. (See MC/18/80.)
9. The Committee had further discussion about a Connexional Property Strategy and received a report from the Property Development Committee. It recommended the strategy to the Council. (See MC/18/74.)
10. The committee received a report on the establishment of the Methodist 21st Century Fund for the funding of property projects and made recommendations to the Council. (See MC/18/71.)

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