Decisions made, Documents Signed and Action taken by the Council since its last meeting

1. Decisions

- 1.1 The Council appointed the Revd Margaret P Jones as Chair of the Southlands Liaison Group and Southlands Methodist Trust, with effect from 1 September 2016.
- 1.2 The Council appointed Mr Maurice Aspey to the Methodist Church House Management Committee, with effect from May 2016.
- 1.3 The Council agreed to the sale of Building Blocks Centre, Trinity Methodist Church, Leeds (South and West) circuit. The building is subject to a sharing agreement with the Church of England. The agreement provides that the Methodist Council shall decide how the Methodist Church's proportion of the net proceeds of sale shall be applied. The Chair of the Council agreed that the proceeds should be applied as if the property were held on Model Trusts.
- 1.4 The Council appointed the Property Development Committee.
- 1.5 The Council appointed a small group to consider requests for sales at an undervalue under Model Trust 20.

2. Documents signed and consent given

- 2.1 The Secretary of the Conference and the Connexional Secretary have signed, on behalf of the Methodist Church, an Amendment to the Property Development Facility Agreement for The Wesley. This was to ensure that HSBC had approved capital expenditure by MIC Limited on the building.
- 2.2 The Secretary of the Conference and the Assistant Secretary have signed, on behalf of the Methodist Council, a letter of engagement of external auditors, instructing a firm to undertake an audit of the accounts for the Methodist Church in Uganda, this will be funded from World Church funds.
- 2.3 The Secretary of the Conference and Prof Peter D Howdle signed a Deed of Amendment to the Pension and Assurance Scheme for Lay Employees of the Methodist Church in order to give effect to earlier decisions of the Council which make changes to clause 5 of the scheme.

3. Action by the Chair

- 3.1 The Chair appointed Dr Jonathan Rippin to attend the Synod of German-Speaking Lutheran, Reformed and United Congregations in Great Britain, held from 22-24 April 2016.
- 3.2 The Chair appointed Dr Daleep Mukarji to the small group which, on behalf of the Council, considers extensions of appointment for those presbyters and deacons who are serving in appointments which are under the control of the Council.

***RESOLUTION

70/1. The Council receives the report.