

**Report of the Connexional Trustees
for Connexional Offices Central Buildings, Manchester**

1 The Methodist Council is party to the Joint Management Agreement signed in 1996 and appoints trustees to fulfil its responsibilities under the Model Trusts under this agreement.

2 The Managing Trustees appointed by the Council are:-

Mr Ronald W G Lucas (Chair)
Ms Anne Hughes Holmes
Mr Nick Moore
Mr Philip Morrey
Mr Alan Pimlott
Revd David Westhead

3 The Connexional Trustees met on 22nd January 2009 and reported as follows.

4 **Matters for report**

4.1 The Connexional Trustees received the Report and Accounts of the Management Committee for Central Buildings, Manchester for the year ended 31st August 2008.

The financial arrangements work well and are kept under constant review.

4.2 The Management Committee completed two major schemes of repairs and upgrades to the building during the year.

4.3 The Joint Management Agreement is currently being reviewed and updated to take account of recent changes.

4.4 The Trustees commend the ongoing work of the Management Committee on behalf of the Church bodies.

5 **Team Focus**

The major review of Connexional Team staff working in the Resourcing Mission Office is due to take place in 2009-10 for implementation by 31 August 2010.

6 **Meeting of Joint Representatives of Central Buildings**

Representatives of the Methodist Centre, the Manchester Circuit and the Connexional Trustees and from the Trustees for Methodist Church Purposes meet twice yearly with representatives of the Management Committee. This has proved a beneficial and effective means of communication and consultation.

Alan Pimlott

on behalf of the Connexional Trustees for the Connexional Offices, Central Buildings, Manchester