

Transfer of managing trusteeship from the Network Committee to the Property Development Committee

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Status of Paper	Final
Action Required	Decision
Resolutions	6/1. The Council receives the report. 6/2. The Council revokes its delegation to the Network Committee in respect of the Methodist International Centre and delegates the managing trusteeship and all other such governance responsibilities for Methodist International Centre to the Property Development Committee.

Summary of Content

Subject and Aims	Delegation of managing trusteeship
Main Points	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transfer of the managing trusteeship and governance responsibilities for the Methodist International Centre. • Review of the trust arrangements for the Methodist International Centre land and property to be undertaken due to the historic nature of the trusts.
Background Context	MC/13/38 The Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network

1. The Council received a paper in April 2013 that proposed the governance structure for the Discipleship and Ministries Learning Network. This established the Network Committee with the responsibility of ensuring the income generating centres provide as much income as possible for the Training Fund and overseeing the use of resources by the centres.
2. The Methodist Council delegated managing trusteeship and governance responsibilities for the Methodist International Centre to the Network Committee. The Network Committee has made great improvements in the income generation of the centre since taking over managing trusteeship but it is recognised by the members of the Network Committee that responsibility for the centre is increasingly becoming focused on how to best utilise the land and property. It is therefore proposed that managing trusteeship for the Methodist International Centre is transferred from the Network Committee to the Property Development Committee that is now established.
3. Consideration will need to be given at some point in the near future to the managing trusteeship for the North Bank Estate but an ongoing employment matter means that it would not be prudent to do so now.

4. It is proposed that managing trusteeship and all such other governance responsibilities for the Methodist International Centre are transferred from the Network Committee to the Property Development Committee. The governance responsibilities for Methodist International Centre are limited and do not include employment responsibilities due to the lease of the building to the Methodist International Centre Limited. It is however suggested that a review of the trust arrangements for the Methodist International Centre land and property is undertaken due to the historic nature of the trusts and recommendations made to the Council by April 2017 on whether the trusts should be amended or replaced. Any such amendments to the trust provisions will need to be agreed by the Conference.

*****RESOLUTIONS**

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