

# Street Pastors (Portsmouth)

## Annual Report & Financial Statements for the Year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021

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## **REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2020**

### **Street Pastors (Portsmouth)**

#### **Board of Trustees:**

Geoff Hawkins (Chair)  
Charles Burns  
Rev Samantha Duddles  
Jan Fuller (Resigned 26<sup>th</sup> July 2021)  
Rev Anne McCabe  
Tessa Most (Appointed 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022)  
Tom Thorpe (Appointed 1<sup>st</sup> July 2022)}

#### **Registered Address:**

St Luke's Church, Greetham Street, Portsmouth, PO5 4LH

#### **Independent Examiner:**

Alan Kidby, AA Accountancy Ltd, 68 Kensington Road, Portsmouth, PO2 0JR

## **Report of Board of Trustees**

The Board of Trustees presents its report and the accounts for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2021.

## **Governance**

Street Pastors (Portsmouth) is governed by its Memorandum and Articles of Association. The trustees, who are also the directors of the company, meet regularly, usually 6 times a year. The purpose of these meetings is to set the main priorities for the charity and to oversee the operation of the charity by receiving reports on its activities and finances.

## **Objects**

The objects for which Street Pastors (Portsmouth) is established are:

*To promote the benefit of the inhabitants of Portsmouth and the surrounding area and such other local communities in the United Kingdom and the world as the Trustees may from time to time determine in accordance with the Christian principles contained in the Statement of Beliefs in the Schedule hereto by associating with the statutory authorities and voluntary organisations with the object of improving their conditions of life.*

## **Main Activities**

The aim of Street Pastors (Portsmouth) is to contribute towards making Portsmouth a 'kinder, safer city' by providing a service of practical care, friendship and a prayerful presence. We deploy teams of volunteers drawn from local churches on the city centre streets every Friday and Saturday night. We also provide teams of School Pastors during the daytime to 2 schools.

## **Review of achievements during the year**

2021 has continued to be a challenging year for the delivery of our services because of the changing restrictions imposed by the coronavirus pandemic. This has required a flexible approach to the delivery of Street Pastor patrols in the night-time economy with teams showing great initiative and adaptability on a weekly basis to ensure their safety and remain responsive to the needs of our community. This is a credit to the commitment and faithfulness of all those involved in this ministry. School pastors have been adversely affected as schools have been in lock down for long periods of time in 2021 and we were unable to operate at all during 2021.

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"A rough sleeper who we are familiar with handed us a mobile phone which they had found in the public toilet. At our break at base we charged it up and were able to reunite it with its very thankful and tearful owner outside one of the clubs."

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## **Street Patrols and Street Pastor Volunteers**

Throughout the year we have continued to be a trusted, reliable, uniformed presence on the streets of Portsmouth. In partnership with the City Council and the Police we have provided daytime patrols along Southsea seafront for much of the year as the closure of the hospitality industry and night-time economy has meant that our normal activity has not been possible.

Our volunteers are organised into 8 teams with each Street Pastor going out at least once every four weeks. This continues to work well and it is a credit to our volunteers and their willingness to swap and cover when necessary to make up viable teams each week.

At the end of 2021 we had 37 active Street Pastors, and 4 Street Pastors who were shielding. Recruitment and training during 2021 was very difficult in 2021 as only 2 new Street Pastors were trained. By the end of December 2021, we had 26 women and 15 men.

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"We chatted with door staff who has been in the job for over ten years now. He told us he's feeling a bit rough around the edges and his job is getting to him a bit more as time goes on. He seemed glad to have someone to say that to. We told him we hoped he had a good night."

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Training of new Street Pastors continues twice a year and is carried out regionally, this is proving to be an efficient way of offering our new Street Pastors excellent training. The training is provided by the police, emergency services, mental health

practitioners, church leaders and youth workers to name a few. It ensures that our Street Pastors are well equipped to deal with the various scenarios they encounter on the streets.

### *Contacts on the Streets and Referrals*

As a part of our partnership with Portsmouth City Council we continue to provide statistical records of "meaningful contacts" and referrals.

The tables below show the level of activity for the past 5 years.

Category	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Alcohol/Substance	152	70	307	404	282
Vulnerability	73	125	382	601	702
Vulnerable – self inflicted	29	14			
Active Calming	46	17	60	35	28
Passive Calming	23	16	56	83	60
Total	323	242	805	1,123	1,072

Each of the above categories show the main reason for an incident being recorded as a contact. Each contact is only categorised once even though in some cases there are multiple reasons, consequently the totals reflect the total number of incidents but not the complexity, duration or number of individuals of each incident.

Street Pastor patrols work with the Police to identify predatory behaviour around the NTE, this includes monitoring vehicles used by potentially predatory occupiers. Our teams also engage with women who are being spoken to by predatory males outside clubs and alert CCTV and the Police to those individuals who gather outside clubs to prey on the vulnerable.

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"As we walk through Guildhall Square, we saw a man sat on the steps. We begin to talk to him and he told us his name, and explained that he is an alcoholic who has been in and out of prison. We sit and chat with him for over 30 minutes and he explains that he is a Christian and we have a long faith conversation including prayer, and the man prayed for us."

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With the closure of the night-time economy throughout the lockdowns and our teams patrolling during the day, we met a different demographic. Consequently, the data are completely different from previous years. We did meet vulnerable individuals on our daytime patrols but almost all the alcohol/substance contacts happened within the night-time patrols.

### *Referrals*

<b>Referrals</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2019</b>	<b>2018</b>	<b>2017</b>
Door Safe Staff	10	2	15	25	14
CCTV	7	6	25	24	29
Police	21	5	9	22	17
Safe Space	26	8	15	31	37
Other Agencies	14	2	6	4	6
Total	78	23	70	106	103

### *Contacts made*

The total contacts made for 2021 was 2,495 compared with 1,995 in 2020. This included 1,621 conversations and 116 faith conversations.

### *Bottles and Broken Glass*

Sweeping up broken glass and picking up bottles is a small but significant action that keeps the pavements and roads clear of that type of hazard or potential weapon. During 2021 we picked up 2,630 bottles and broken glass. In 2020 we picked up 5,760 bottles and broken glass.

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"We spoke to a male in his early 20s who was looking for his friend. He was concerned as they had become separated, and his friend was on his own and intoxicated. When he last spoke to his friend, he was unable to describe where he was but had messaged a picture which we recognised as the Guildhall doors. There was no sign of him at the top of the steps and we spent some minutes 15 minutes trying to locate him without success. We took his phone number so that if we came across his friend, we would be able to call him to reunite them."

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### *Flip flops, Water and Blankets*

Again, a small part of what we do, but the contacts we make when handing out supplies such as flip flops are very rewarding. We did not hand out flip flops or water from the start of the pandemic in line with our risk assessments. However, during 2021 we handed out 175 pairs of flip flops, all of which made a difference to the safety of someone's feet. We gave out 174 bottles of water, again a wonderful way to make contact. The emergency blankets we give out are primarily for the street homeless and help to retain body heat but are also useful as a 'modesty' blanket for covering up vulnerable people; we gave out 17 of these.

### *Presentations and talks*

With the closure of churches and community centres we were unable to deliver the usual number of talks and presentations. However, some of our Street Pastor volunteers have given talks at their own churches.

### **School Pastors**

Due to school lock-down and restrictions on visitors we were unable to operate any school patrols

### *Training*

The School Pastor Coordinator and one School Pastor attended an online mentoring course and three volunteers attended Refresher Training in November, both courses were organised by and held at Isle of Wight Street Pastors.

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"We were approached by a small group of two boys and one girl (all Year 7) with whom we had spoken on previous occasions. The girl remembered that one of us had the same name as her and she was pleased to be able to talk to her again."

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### **Prayer Support**

The support offered by Prayer Pastors cannot be emphasised enough. Our Prayer Pastors support the work of Street and School Pastors whilst the teams are out on the streets, they are either at the patrol base or at home, praying for the teams and sometimes being asked to pray for a specific situation. We currently have over 20 active Prayer Pastors.

At the start of the pandemic, we decided to have a weekly prayer email and encourage everyone to pray together at home at 7.30pm on Mondays. This has continued throughout with a weekly email of support and encouragement going to all Street, School, Prayer Pastors and Trustees.

### **Trustees**

Our board of Trustees have a responsibility for effective governance of the Charity and to ensure that we operate in a way that holds true to our stated aims and objectives. Street Pastors Portsmouth is in a strong position with a highly skilled group of Trustees who bring a diverse mix of skills and experience. Three of our Trustees have first-hand experience of being Street Pastors.

We continue to ensure our Trustees are interdenominational, throughout 2019 they were drawn from various denominations: Roman Catholic, Anglican and the Salvation Army.

### **One Body Group**

The original vision for a Christian response to the night-time pub and club environment was born out of the "One Body" group of city-wide church leaders and continue to have spiritual oversight for Street Pastors Portsmouth. Throughout the year we are regularly represented at monthly meetings of One Body and continues to receive support and encouragement from the wider church leadership there, again these meetings have been held monthly online.

### **Public benefit**

The Trustees confirm they referred to the public benefit guidance published by the Commission when reviewing the aims and objectives of Street Pastors (Portsmouth) and in planning future activities. All the trustees give their time voluntarily and receive no private benefit from this.

### **Trustee's Responsibilities in relation to the financial statements**

Law applicable to charities in England and Wales requires the trustee to prepare financial statements for each financial year which give a true and fair view of the charity's financial activities during the year and of its financial position at the end of the year. In preparing those financial statements, the trustee is required to:

- Select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- Make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- State whether applicable accounting standards and statements of recommended practice have been followed subject to any departures disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- Prepare the financial statements on the going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the charity will continue in business.

### **Financial Review & Reserves Policy**

During the year total income received was £35,027 with expenditure of £29,210 giving an operational surplus of £5,817. This is largely due to a grant from the National Lottery and which must be used on training and recruitment by June 2022. Expenditure was broadly the same as the previous year.

The Trustees aim to have a minimum of 6 months operating costs in reserve at any time which it is currently achieving.

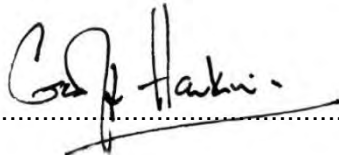
### **Accounts**

The trustees confirm that the accounts comply with:

- statutory requirements
- the governing document
- the statement of recommended practice "Accounting and Reporting by Charities" issued in 2005.

The trustees are responsible for keeping accounting records which disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the charity and enable it to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Charities Act 2011. It is also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the charity and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities.

Approved by the Board of Trustees

Signed .....  ..... Date 5<sup>th</sup> May 2022

Geoff Hawkins  
Chair of Street Pastors (Portsmouth)





Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the  
trustees/directors/  
members of

Street Pastors (Portsmouth)

On accounts for the year  
ended

31 December 2021

Charity no.:

1120012

Company no.:

06196054

Set out on pages

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of the Company for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> December 2019

Responsibilities and  
basis of report

As the charity's trustees of the Company (who are also the directors of the company for the purposes of company law), you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 ("the 2006 Act").

Having satisfied myself that the accounts of the Company are not required to be audited for this year under Part 16 of the 2006 Act and are eligible for independent examination, I report in respect of my examination of your charity's accounts as carried out under section 145 of the Charities Act 2011 ("the 2011 Act"). In carrying out my examination, I have followed the Directions given by the Charity Commission (under section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act).

Independent  
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention which gives me cause to believe that:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 386 of the Companies Act 2006; or
- the accounts do not accord with such records; or
- the accounts do not comply with relevant accounting requirements under section 396 of the Companies Act 2006 other than any requirement that the accounts give a 'true and fair' view which is not a matter considered as part of an independent examination; or
- the accounts have not been prepared in accordance with the Charities Statement of Recommended Practice for accounting and reporting by charities in accordance with FRS102.

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed:

Date:

31<sup>st</sup> March 2022

Name:

A D Kidby

**Relevant professional qualification(s) or body (if any):**

Fellow of the Association of International Accountants

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**Section B**

**Disclosure**

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight material matters of concern (see CC32, Independent examination of charity accounts: directions and guidance for examiners).

**Give here brief details of any items that the examiner wishes to disclose.**



**Street Pastors (Portsmouth)**  
**Detailed statement of financial activities**  
**for the year ended 31 December 2021**

	Street Pastors		School Pastors		TOTAL FUNDS	
	Restricted	Unrestricted	Restricted	Unrestricted		
	funds	funds	funds	funds	2021	2020
	£	£	£	£	£	£
<b>Incoming Resources</b>						
Grant National Lottery	7,500	-	-	-	7,500	-
Grant Portsmouth City Council for 2019	15,000	-	-	-	15,000	15,000
Grant from Police & Crime Commission	5,000	-	-	-	5,000	5,000
<b>Donations</b>						
Churches & other organisations	-	4,446	-	-	4,446	5,170
Individuals - not gift aided	-	450	-	-	450	1,770
Individuals - gift aided	-	2,097	-	-	2,097	3,079
Interest received HMRC	-	10	-	-	10	-
Tax recoverable gift aid	-	524	-	-	524	770
	27,500	7,527	-	-	35,027	30,789
<b>Income from investments</b>	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	27,500	7,527	-	-	35,027	30,789
<b>Resources Expenses</b>						
Salary administrators	19,325	-	-	5,320	24,645	25,540
CJRS recovery from HMRC	(944)	-	-	(1,026)	(1,970)	(3,569)
Employer's NI oncosts	281	-	-	-	281	258
NI recovery	(281)	-	-	-	(281)	(258)
Employer's pension oncosts	205	-	-	-	205	365
Staff welfare	-	-	-	-	-	35
Recruitment and advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-
Printing and stationery	-	112	-	26	138	135
Office equipment, copier lease	-	-	-	-	-	823
Telephone	-	9	-	-	9	187
Postage and internet costs	-	-	-	-	-	264
General office expenses	-	362	-	-	362	251
Trustees' meeting expenses	-	-	-	-	-	32
Rent - Oasis Centre	-	1,117	-	-	1,117	900
Depreciation	-	150	-	-	150	200
Travel costs and fares	-	186	-	50	236	182
Ascension Trust support	-	1,071	-	-	1,071	1,515
Training, catering, uniforms	-	68	-	170	238	2,228
Street giveaways	-	353	-	-	353	6
Donations to other charities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Consultancy services - CCPAS	-	166	-	-	166	218
Accountancy - AA Accountancy	-	500	-	-	500	500
Book-keeping and payroll	-	1,990	-	-	1,990	1,933
<b>Total resources expended</b>	18,586	6,084	-	4,540	29,210	31,745
<b>Surplus / (Deficit) for the year</b>	8,914	1,443	-	(4,540)	5,817	(956)

**Street Pastors (Portsmouth)**  
**Balance Sheet**  
**as at 31 December 2021**

	31.12.2021		31.12.2020	
	£	£	£	£
<b>Fixed assets</b>				
Office equipment				
Original cost	2,544		2,544	
Accumulated depreciation	(2,094)	450	(1,944)	600
<b>Current assets</b>				
Cash at bank	31,409		24,409	
Cash in hand	16		16	
HMRC - gift aid tax due in	524		1,877	
Sundry debtors	-		-	
	<u>31,949</u>		<u>26,302</u>	
<b>Current liabilities</b>				
Trade creditors	-		-	
HMRC - tax and NI	-		-	
NEST pension liability	-		-	
Accrued expenses	535		640	
Ascension Trust liability	188		403	
	<u>723</u>		<u>1,043</u>	
<b>Net current assets</b>		31,226		25,259
<b>Total net assets</b>		<u>31,676</u>		<u>25,859</u>
<b>Capital and Reserves</b>				
Profit and Loss account		25,859		26,815
Less deficit from unrestricted funds	School Pastors (4,540)		(3,636)	
Add surplus from unrestricted funds	Street Pastors 1,443		904	
Add surplus from restricted funds	Street Pastors 8,914		1,776	
Less deficit from restricted funds	School Pastors -		-	
		5,817		(956)
		<u>31,676</u>		<u>25,859</u>

For the year ended on 31 December 2021 the company was entitled to exemption from audit under section 476(2) of the Companies Act 2006 relating to the small companies regime.

The members have not required the company to obtain an audit in accordance with section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.


The directors acknowledge their responsibility for:

1. ensuring the company keeps accounting which comply with section 386
2. preparing accounts which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the company as at the end of the financial year, in accordance with the requirements of sections 394 and 395, and which comply with the requirements of the Companies Act relating to accounts so far as is applicable to the company.
3. These accounts have been prepared in accordance with the provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 applicable to companies subject to the small companies regime.

Approved by the board on

23rd March 2022

and signed on their behalf by

  
Geoff Hawkins, Chair of Trustees



## Street Pastors (Portsmouth)

Notes to the abbreviated accounts for the year ended 31 December 2021

### 1 Accounting policies

The accounts have been prepared under the historical cost convention and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard and the Companies Act 2006.

Street Pastors (Portsmouth) is a charitable company limited by guarantee and is below the audit threshold for the Companies and Charities Act.

#### Turnover

Unrestricted funds are general funds which can be used for Street Pastors ordinary purposes.  
Restricted funds are funds raised specifically in respect of a SafeSpace contract.  
Planned giving, fund raising and donations are recognised when received.  
Tax refunds are recognised when the incoming source to which they relate are due.  
Grants are accounted for when the charity is legally entitled to the amounts due.  
All other income is recognised when it is receivable.  
All incoming resources are accounted for gross.

#### Depreciation

Fixed assets are depreciated on the basis of 25% of the reducing balance.

#### Tangible Fixed assets

	£
<b>Cost</b>	
As at 31 December 2020	2,544
Additions	-
Disposals	-
As at 31 December 2021	<u>2,544</u>
<b>Depreciation</b>	
As at 31 December 2020	1,944
Additions	150
Disposals	-
As at 31 December 2021	<u>2,094</u>
<b>Net book value</b>	
As at 31 December 2020	600
As at 31 December 2021	450

#### Ascension Trust Support

Street Pastors is a national organisation set up by Ascension Trust in London. Street Pastors (Portsmouth) is under the umbrella of Ascension Trust and has been supported by the Ascension Trust in the initial setup and ongoing running. The payment to Ascension Trust covers this ongoing support, linkage to the national website and the expansion of Street Pastors nationally.

#### Training and uniforms

Costs shown are net of the repayments made by individual Street Pastors for their uniforms.

Company number

6196054

Charity number

1120012

**Street Pastors (Portsmouth)****Surplus carried forward**

Owing to the uncertain nature of funding, the Trustees aim to have carried forward surpluses equivalent to six months running costs.

**Debtors : falling due within one year**

HMRC - tax recoverable

Sundry debtor

31.12.2021	31.12.2020
£	£
524	1,877
-	-
524	1,877

**Creditors : falling due in one year**

Trade and sundry creditors

31.12.2021	31.12.2020
£	£
723	1,043
723	1,043

**Transactions with Directors and related party disclosures**

None

**Ultimate controlling interest**

The company is under the control of its members. No one member has sufficient voting rights to control this charitable company.