

Street Pastors (Portsmouth)

Annual Report & Financial Statements for the Year ended 31st December 2022

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REPORT OF THE TRUSTEE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st DECEMBER 2022

Street Pastors (Portsmouth)

Board of Trustees:

Geoff Hawkins (Chair)
Charles Burns (Deceased 24th April 2023)
Rev Samantha Duddles
Rev Anne McCabe
Tessa Most (Appointed 1st July 2022)
Tom Thorpe (Appointed 1st July 2022)

Registered Address:

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Independent Examiner:

Alan Kidby, AA Accountancy Ltd, 22 Meadow Drive, Bembridge, Isle of Wight, PO35 5YA

Report of Board of Trustees

The Board of Trustees presents its report and the accounts for the year ended 31st December 2022.

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 one school.

Review of achievements during the year

2022 was a positive year, we put patrols out every weekend and extra patrols for one off events. We also welcomed Steve Macfarlane onto the team, Steve is the Volunteer Development Manager and has been visiting churches to raise the profile of Street and School Pastors with a view to recruiting more volunteers. Steve has also started the recognition scheme, again in churches that our Street and School Pastors go to, the scheme will not only get our volunteers commitment recognised by their church community but also keep our initiative on the agenda at local churches.

"All was normal, this week we were speaking to a young man, after some conversation, we found out he was just a young teenager out on his own! We communicated with the police concerning him and found out he had been reported missing! We were able to keep watch over him and make sure he was safe until the police arrived."

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 patrols every Friday and Saturday night patrolling from approximately 10.30 p.m. – 3 a.m. We also put additional teams out on Halloween and New Year's Eve.

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. In 2022 we had 105 patrols and 20 people joined us as observers.

At the end of 2022 we had 38 active Street Pastors. As we were able to go back to delivering church talks, recruitment in the second part of 2022 was more fruitful. We recruited and trained 5 new Street Pastors in 2022.

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

"Our teams attended Victorious on Friday and Saturday night to work alongside our partners in what was a very calm and organised event! We patrolled inside before helping people get taxis home, helping reunite lost friends and handing flip flops for some danced-out festival goers! We thank God for using our teams as we listen, help and care across Portsmouth!"

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	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Alcohol/Substance	145	152	70	307	404
Vulnerability	84	73	125	382	601
Vulnerable – self inflicted	64	29	14		
Active Calming	65	46	17	60	35
Passive Calming	36	23	16	56	83
Total	394	323	242	805	1,123

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.

"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."

Street Pastor patrols continue 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.

Referrals

Referrals	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Door Safe Staff	43	10	2	15	25
CCTV	13	7	6	25	24
Police	25	21	5	9	22
Safe Space	51	26	8	15	31
Other Agencies	14	14	2	6	4
Total	146	78	23	70	106

Contacts made

The total contacts made for 2022 was 4,203 compared with 2,495 in 2021. This included 1,674 conversations and 67 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 2022 we picked up 4,358 bottles and broken glass. In 2021 we picked up 2,630 bottles and broken glass.

"Along Guildhall Walk we were approached by two police officers, they asked for assistance with an intoxicated woman lying on the ground hidden by parked cars. She had been left by her friends who thought she had gone to Gosport ferry. We managed to contact her friends and after some time reunite them who then made sure she was safe returning home."

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 163 pairs of flip flops, all of which made a difference to the safety of someone's feet. We gave out 242 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 21 of these.

Presentations and talks

We gave 8 church talks in the second half of 2022 and 3 other talks at various clubs and groups. As churches and groups opened back up we arranged future talks.

School Pastors

2022 saw a return to a regular presence for School Pastors in the city, with the operation begin to return to pre-COVID levels. Between January and July 2022 two schools; Charter Academy and Miltoncross Academy, were being visited on a Monday and Tuesday, respectively, with both schools normally receiving a team of 3 school pastors on average.

From September for the remainder of the year service continued but only at Miltoncross Academy whilst there was difficulty in maintaining a team of at least 2 qualified school pastors per week at Charter Academy. However, by the end of 2022, the Miltoncross Academy team were showing increasing strength in numbers and leadership with 3 regular school pastors being joined by 3 observers who were completing their training in order to become qualified. Visits continued once a week on Tuesdays.

The table below confirms the level of service in terms of statistics including a comparison before and after the COVID/lockdown period.

	2022	2019	Change	2022 cf 2019
Schools	2	2	0	0%
Volunteers	6	11	-5	55%
Teams	2	3	-1	67%
Visits	48	135	-87	36%
Total Interactions	2,133	6,063	-4,470	35%
Greetings with staff and students	1,173	3,645	-2,472	32%
Students Conversations	436	2,418	-1,982	18%

Training

Training was able to recommence in 2022 with a now established online programme providing opportunities for the new recruits to complete the majority of training modules remotely on Saturday mornings. The return to schools in 2022 benefitted from the in-person refresher training received in December 2021 in the Isle of Wight.

Meanwhile 2 School Pastors recruits attended a Roles & Responsibilities training day on the Isle of Wight and 1 School Pastor recruit completed 3 online training sessions in 2022, with 2 more signing up to complete the online training modules for early 2023.

One girl we spoke to was feeling stressed out in first break, but we encouraged her to focus on her work. In second break we saw her again and she was thrilled to have completed 4 pieces of work! At the end of 2nd break she was listening quietly consoling another girl. This was an amazing response to encouragement, not just doing well in class but encouraging another student!

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.

One of our Prayer Pastors, Sharon Pearce took on writing the weekly prayer email, we are very grateful for her prayers and the direction she gives to help with praying from home on Monday evenings 'Praying together'.

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. These meetings have resumed monthly in person.

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 £26,007 with expenditure of £33,781 giving an operational deficit of £7,774. This is largely due to a grant of £7,500 from the National Lottery received in 2021 part of which was carried forward in 2021 and which had to be used by June 2022. The contract with Portsmouth City Council changed from a single annual payment to quarterly payments in arrears. It runs from April to March and therefore the final payment for the year will be received in 2023. This explains the apparent reduction in income from that source of £3,750. Expenditure was broadly in line with previous years.

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

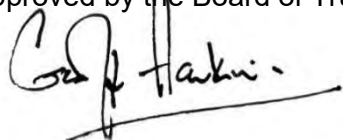
Accounts

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 May 2023

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 2022

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 31st December 2022

**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:

11th June 2023

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 2022

	Street Pastors	School Pastors	School & Street Pastors		TOTAL FUNDS	
	Restricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds		2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Incoming Resources						
Grant National Lottery	-	-	-	-	-	7,500
Grant Portsmouth City Council	11,250	-	-	-	11,250	15,000
Grant from Police & Crime Commission	8,044	-	-	-	8,044	5,000
Donations						
Churches & other organisations	-	150	3,934	-	4,084	4,446
Individuals - not gift aided	-	-	710	-	710	450
Individuals - gift aided	-	-	1,535	-	1,535	2,097
Interest received HMRC	-	-	-	-	-	10
Tax recoverable gift aid	-	-	384	-	384	524
	19,294	150	6,563	-	26,007	35,027
Income from investments	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bank interest receivable	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total incoming resources	19,294	150	6,563	-	26,007	35,027

	Street Pastors	School Pastors	School & Street Pastors		TOTAL FUNDS	
	Restricted funds	Restricted funds	Unrestricted funds		2022	2021
	£	£	£	£	£	£
Resources Expenses						
Salary administrators	22,685	150	2,090	-	24,925	24,645
CJRS recovery from HMRC	-	-	-	-	-	(1,970)
Employer's NI oncosts	399	-	-	-	399	281
NI recovery	(399)	-	-	-	(399)	(281)
Employer's pension oncosts	241	-	-	-	241	205
Staff welfare	-	-	454	-	454	-
Recruitment and advertising	-	-	-	-	-	-
Printing and stationery	-	-	220	-	220	138
Office equipment, copier lease	-	-	-	-	-	-
Telephone	-	-	32	-	32	9
Postage and internet costs	-	-	-	-	-	-
General office expenses	-	-	619	-	619	362
Trustees' meeting expenses	-	-	300	-	300	-
Rent - Oasis Centre	-	-	1,161	-	1,161	1,117
Depreciation	-	-	110	-	110	150
Travel costs and fares	-	-	466	-	466	236
Ascension Trust support	-	-	927	-	927	1,071
Training, catering, uniforms	-	-	923	-	923	238
Street giveaways	-	-	135	-	135	353
Donations to other charities	-	-	-	-	-	-
Consultancy services - CCPAS	-	-	613	-	613	166
Accountancy - AA Accountancy	-	-	520	-	520	500
Book-keeping and payroll	-	-	2,135	-	2,135	1,990
Total resources expended	22,926	150	10,705	-	33,781	29,210
Surplus / (Deficit) for the year	(3,632)	-	(4,142)	-	(7,774)	5,817

Company number
Charity number

6196054
1120012

Street Pastors (Portsmouth)
Balance Sheet
as at 31 December 2022

	31.12.2022		31.12.2021	
	£	£	£	£
Fixed assets				
Office equipment				
Original cost	2,544		2,544	
Accumulated depreciation	(2,204)	340	(2,094)	450
Current assets				
Cash at bank	23,513		31,409	
Cash in hand	16		16	
HMRC - gift aid tax due in	908		524	
Sundry debtors	-		-	
	<u>24,437</u>		<u>31,949</u>	
Current liabilities				
Trade creditors	-		-	
HMRC - tax and NI	(14)		-	
NEST pension liability	-		-	
Accrued expenses	560		535	
Ascension Trust liability	329		188	
	<u>875</u>		<u>723</u>	
Net current assets		23,562		31,226
Total net assets		<u>23,902</u>		<u>31,676</u>
Capital and Reserves				
Profit and Loss account		31,676		25,859
Less deficit from unrestricted funds	School & Street Pastors (4,142)		(3,097)	
Add surplus from restricted funds	Street Pastors (3,632)		8,914	
Add surplus from restricted funds	School Pastors -		-	
	<u>-</u>	(7,774)	<u>-</u>	5,817
		<u>23,902</u>		<u>31,676</u>

For the year ended on 31 December 2022 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

15 May 2023

and signed on their behalf by

Geoff Hawkins, Chair of Trustees

Street Pastors (Portsmouth)

Notes to the accounts for the year ended 31 December 2022

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 for specific activities or in connection with grants or contracts.

The contract with Portsmouth City Council changed from a single annual payment to quarterly payments in arrears. It runs from April to March and therefore the final payment for the year will be received in 2023.

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 asset are depreciated on the basis of 25% of the reducing balance.

Tangible Fixed assets

Cost

	£
As at 31 December 2021	2,544
Additions	-
Disposals	-
As at 31 December 2022	<u>2,544</u>

Depreciation

As at 31 December 2021	1,944
Additions	150
Disposals	-
As at 31 December 2022	<u>2,094</u>

Net book value

As at 31 December 2021	600
As at 31 December 2022	450

Ascension Trust Support

Street Pastors is a national organisation set up by Ascension Trust in London. Street Pastors (Portsmouth) is affiliated to the Ascension Trust and has been supported by the Ascension Trust in its 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 payments made by individual Street Pastors for their uniforms.

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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

31.12.2022	31.12.2021
£	£
1	524
-	-
1	524

Creditors : falling due in one year

Trade and sundry creditors

31.12.2022	31.12.2021
£	£
1	723
1	723

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.