

LINCOLN STREET PASTORS

Registration Number 1122451

Chair person's report 2022-2023

Objects of the Charity

The objects are:

To promote any charitable purpose for the benefit of the people of Lincolnshire, including but not limited to:

a.

The advancement of the Christian religion

b.

The promotion of public safety and prevention of crime

c.

Relief of poverty and sickness

We fulfil these objectives by patrolling the streets of Lincoln City on Friday and Saturday nights from approximately 10.30 pm until 2.30am looking after people who use the night time economy of the city

This last year has continued to be difficult for Lincoln Street Pastors. We continue to staff as many Friday and Saturday evenings as possible. Our numbers of Street Pastors have dwindled over the year from twenty two to eighteen. This is despite numerous efforts by our Co-ordinator and current Street Pastors speaking in church services and any meetings where there are Christians present. Numbers of Prayer Pastors are up slightly and some Street Pastors are prepared to be Prayer Pastors if necessary. Our Co-ordinator Melanie continues to keep in contact with all the volunteers through her regular newsletters

We have struggled to recruit enough volunteers to return to our shift pattern of every Friday and Saturday. Our prayer pastors remain on Zoom as this seems most convenient for them and is effective. Recruitment still appears to be affected by the change to online training, which is organised by our umbrella body, Ascension Trust. This requires attendance for several hours on a Saturday morning via Zoom. Participants are reporting that it is not particularly engaging and that Saturday mornings are difficult for attendance as it is family time. Negotiations are still taking place with Ascension Trust to try and alter their requirements for training.

Melanie is an active participant in strategic partnerships in the city including those with the police, city council and Lincoln business improvement group. These groups welcome her expertise and she has been invited to join the Police and Crime Commissioner's independent panel for violence against women and girls. Violence and drug dealing are significant issues in the city at night. The police welcome our involvement with them in such situations. They have paid for a video to be made which includes our role in the night-

time economy. This is to be made by University of Lincoln students and has not yet been made.

We continue to receive funding from various sources including the Police and Crime Commissioner, the local Co-operative society and donations given after speaking engagements. We are however not able to cover our expenses from this funding and are therefore dipping into our reserves. We will need to try to secure more funding in the next financial year

Melanie has continued to improve our presence on social media and kept up the profile of Lincoln Street Pastors via social media, BBC Radio Lincolnshire and Lincolnshire Live the local digital newspaper. She has good relationships with local radio and they published hourly bulletins on Dec 31st 2022 about our work supporting people who would be out celebrating in the city. Her work in schools about "Safety using the night time economy" is well received and she continues to try to extend the number of schools willing to host these events.

Our management committee remains the same and we have not been able to do any succession planning. This is a need in the near future as we need younger members soon in order for them to become familiar with the organisation before our current members step down

It remains to be seen what will happen in the future. Our focus will need to be on recruitment and retention of both Street and Prayer pastors and helping them to feel confident and equipped to undertake patrols. We hope that returning to local training may assist us in doing this

Audrey Beverley
Chair Lincoln Street Pastors Sept 2023

LINCOLN STREET PASTORS
Income and Expenditure Account,
for the Year ended 31st March 2023

<u>last year</u>	INCOME		
	<u>Grants</u>		
£ 10,000	Police and Crime Commissioner	£ 10,000.00	
£ 8,500	Community Fund for All (previous year)	£ -	
£ 18,500	Total Grants		£ 10,000.00
	<u>Donations</u>		
£ 916	Partner Churches	£ 1,277.27	
£ 1,500	Other Church Giving	£ -	
£ 388	Non-church Group Giving	£ 140.00	
£ 220	Individual Giving	£ 100.00	
£ 165	Donations	£ 430.37	
£ 4	Gift Aid	£ -	
£ -	Uniform donations	£ -	
£ 3,193	Total Donations		£ 1,947.64
£ 6	<u>Bank Interest</u>	£ 251.62	£ 251.62
£ 21,699	TOTAL INCOME		£ 12,199.26
£ -	Excess Expenditure over Income		£ 4,345.64
£ 21,699			£ 16,544.90
	EXPENDITURE		
	<u>Training and Operating</u>		
£ 225	Street supplies	£ 108.29	
£ 461	Mobile phones & top ups	£ 468.00	
£ 144	ZOOM subscription	£ 143.88	
£ 324	Training fees	£ -	
£ 8	ID badges	£ -	
£ -	Uniforms	£ -	
£ -	DBS Searches	£ 56.00	
£ 1,162	Total training and operating costs		£ 776.17
	<u>Employment</u>		
£ 10,728	Coordinator salary costs	£ 11,554.50	
£ 373	Pension Contributions	£ 475.27	
£ 216	Travelling and subsistence	£ 114.30	
£ -	Staff training	£ -	
£ 198	Payroll services	£ 198.00	
£ 1,169	Administrator bursary	£ 1,259.00	
£ 12,684	Total employment costs		£ 13,601.07
	<u>Office Equipment and Expenditure</u>		
£ 145	Office expenses	£ 157.59	
£ -	Office Equipment	£ -	
£ 145	Total Office costs		£ 157.59
	<u>Fees and Administration</u>		
£ -	Independent Examiner (Auditor) fee	£ -	
£ 388	Governance costs	£ 140.75	
£ 718	Treasurer Honorarium	£ 773.00	
£ 224	Insurance	£ 224.32	
£ 96	Bank charges	£ 72.00	
£ 1,426	Total Fees and Administration Costs		£ 1,210.07
	<u>Franchise</u>		
£ 800	Ascension Trust	£ 800.00	
£ 800	Total Franchise costs		£ 800.00
	<u>Promotional</u>		
£ -	Total Promotional costs		£ -
	<u>Premises</u>		
£ -	Total Premises Costs		£ -
£ 16,217	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		£ 16,544.90
£ 5,482	Excess Income over expenditure		£ -
£ 21,699			£ 16,544.90