

# HARTLEPOOL TOWN PASTORS

England & Wales · Charity number 1160052

## Details

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**Other names** HTP

**Status** Registered

**Legal form** CIO

**Registered** 2015-01-20

**Register** [View on the Charity Commission register](#)

## Contact

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## Activities

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**Objects:** TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN HARTLEPOOL AND IN SUCH OTHER PARTS OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OR THE WORLD AS THE STEERING BOARD MAY FROM TIME TO TIME THINK FIT PARTICULARLY BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY BY MEANS OF CARING, LISTENING AND HELPING PEOPLE ON THE STREETS AND AT VARIOUS VENUES DAY AND NIGHT.

**Activities:** HTP Street Angels, still operating in 2025, offers volunteer on-street help for safety & wellbeing of fellow citizens, compassion, practical and spiritual help to the marginalised and vulnerable. We signpost services, go into Hartlepool's night-time economy, 11.00pm-3.30am, get people home safely, help cut anti-social behaviour, offer first aid, lollipops & flip-flops, and remove broken glass.

## Classification

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- **How:** Provides Human Resources, Provides Services
- **What:** Religious Activities, Other Charitable Purposes
- **Who:** Other Charities Or Voluntary Bodies, The General Public/mankind

## Geography

- Hartlepool

## Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-11-30		£0	£428	-
2023-11-30		£685	£390	-
2022-11-30		£741	£589	-
2021-11-30		£120	£680	-
2020-11-30		£170	£820	-

## Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
TERRY HEGARTY	Chair	2016-07-25
KAREN MILNER		2019-05-15
KEITH MILNER		2011-05-06
KENNETH SHEPHERD		2016-09-30

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**NO STROLL IN THE PARK:** raining here

## Still walking the streets with you

*GLAD TO REPORT that Hartlepool Town Pastors – pictured left on night patrol in the centre of town – are still operating. This 2024 photo of one of the project’s three-person patrol teams in action illustrates their distinctive hi-viz yellow weatherproof jackets. Note clear logo badging, shoulder and waist bags carrying first-aid and other gear. Some volunteers have moved on but new recruits have joined us to help maintain Saturday night patrols at least once a month – and often twice a month. We’re still in harness in autumn 2025 and aim to continue helping people stay safe and get home.*

# Year 13 was one of progress – and we’re praised for our patrols

**STILL** on our feet after 13 years of continuous operation since HTP was founded in 2011, the year ended November 2024 has been one of slow expansion and innovation.

That is most welcome after the unforgettable pandemic lockdowns and cautious contact which followed to protect public health.

Much to report with success of the project’s recruitment campaign being foremost. Started in November 2023 and continuing into the year under review, we have been fortunate with new volunteers eager to help as some friends had to move on to other towns or take on other life interests.

We said goodbye to a number of old friends but the campaign helped maintain an overall strength of 14 volunteers, seven of whom shouldered the vital 4-hour night patrols on Saturday nights into the early hours.



New supplies, new hot-weather bibs to add to the kit, new handbooks, renewed printing of our street angel logo on all-weather uniforms joined by a brand new QR code which keeps up with modern methods of contact.

Part of the project’s stand at the Northern School of Art freshers’ day in September 2024 featured new QR keyrings to offer students about to sample Hartlepool’s nighttime economy and fun spots. They were a popular gift to join old favourites flip-flops and lollipops.

Our stats for the year are listed in the panel on the right but a notable feature of the year was Street Angels’ attendance at seven engagements with other community agencies, first-aid training, meeting young people socially, and a town event to meet Cleveland’s Unit for the Reduction of Violence (CURV).

Trustees kept contact with Hartlepool Borough Council, its licensing and community safety officers; Cleveland Police liaison, and a new initiative to monitor and counter violent behaviour – part of a Home Office and local authority funded partnership.

Because of this enterprise HBC included a bid to fund the purchase of equipment and consumables for use by the Street Angels – arranged and purchased by the Council.

That maintained supplies throughout the year and going forward, reflected in HTP’s accounts showing no income or other funding required during the year under review to meet the project’s bills.

## Hartlepool Town Pastors aka Street Angels – Annual Report to Charity Commissioners for 2024 Annual Return

### Stats at a glance

**FOURTEEN ... 12 ... 7 ... 5 ... 1**  
... that’s the count for HTP’s year – 14 patrol nights in the year under review; 12 more during 2025 to date; seven events attended; five trustees and one formal Trustees’ meeting [with a second planned but postponed]. And most eye-catching: volunteer hours calculated for the year – between 380 and 400. The cash value could be calculated but is priceless!



**FIT TO GO, HTP's display stand at freshers' day**

We linked arms with new partners Lilyanne's, first teaming up in December 2023. The street angels also maintained contact with parent organisation, Redeeming Our Communities (ROC) to which HTP now makes a financial contribution towards running costs.

Founder of the national Street Angels Paul Blakey, MBE, planned another visit to meet us in 2025, keeping the working relationship with ROC personal.

We didn't forget to relax together to thank departing friends and to meet informally over refreshments to share ideas for improving the way we work together. Most uplifting news was waiting for us in the year ahead – when 2025 brought a Community Champions award for HTP, presented to chairman of Trustees Terry Hegarty. Much

more about that ... but you'll need to read all about it in the next annual return to the Charity Commissioners!

We've included the presentation picture at the end of this year's report just to whet your appetite.

Volunteers walking the streets have remained steady at 8-9 people available for street patrols. We have concentrated on putting out two teams of four once a month while we consolidate training and build experience for new members.

Thanks to £1,000 funding from the Police and Crime Commissioner HTP has been able to renew all of its first-aid training. Every volunteer has been trained in dynamic risk assessment, active listening based on the SHUSH model used by Samaritans and conflict hazard and avoidance.

The project has now purchased some hi-viz jackets for summer use from a local supplier. The only outstanding item is Nalaxone training which also formed part of the PCC bid so contacts are being sought.

Our Street Angels have been able to take part in the Critical Bleed training at the Helmsley Hub, thanks to liaison with Hartlepool Borough Council's licensing officer. It allowed HTP to have Lilyanne's included.

It was a particularly useful short session as it not only covered what was in the cabinets and bleed packs but also what you could use out of street litter and things you might find in a bag or purse. We now know how to apply tourniquets using a pair of socks and mascara tube! We have added tourniquets to our kit as a result of the course.

A further initiative strengthening contact with partners in the night-time economy is renewing connection with the Licensees' Association and their new chairman. He came out in the night-time economy to meet us, pub staff and door teams, encouraging pub-watch membership.

This may well be a 13-year first.



**HTP's Hartlepool Hero Terry Hegarty receiving his Community Champion award from Alisdair Beveridge, a trustee of sponsors The Teesside Charity at a town presentation night.**

Photo courtesy of carnpatrick.com

### Big thanks to all our partners

AS IN PREVIOUS YEARS the Street Angels have many partner organisations, groups and individuals to thank for their invaluable help which keeps us going.

After several years of service in autumn 2025 we say a fond goodbye to trustee in charge of fundraising Norman Bell, Huge thanks for the work he's put in to keep us not merely solvent but able to afford improvements. Good health, Norman. For yet another year of support the project offers HTP's partners grateful thanks. You know how you have helped with co-operation, advice, and material benefits as we salute Cleveland Police, Hartlepool Borough Council and its staff, the CCTV team and community safety staff, Cleveland Police & Crime Commissioner, Hartlepool Foodbank, all pub & door staff, Hartlepool Poolie Exchange, Lilyanne's' team for their ideas and night skills, plus our friends at Whitby Street Reach Out Ministries.

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Approved by the Trustees of HTP / 11 September 2025

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**

**Income from 01/12/2023 to 30/11/2024**

<b>Deposit #</b>	<b>Stand Order</b>	<b>Petty Cash</b>	<b>Funding</b>	<b>Donations</b>	
	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**  
**Expenditure from 01/12/2023 to 30/11/2024**

	<b>CHK #</b>	<b>Consumables</b>	<b>Account Check</b>	<b>BNIB Insurance</b>	
31/01/2024	000046	106.27			106.27
22/05/2024	000047			285.23	285.23
10/03/2024	000048		37.00		37.00
		106.27	37.00	285.23	428.50

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**  
**Income and Expenditure Summary year from 01/12/2023 to 30/11/2024**

**Income**

Standing Orders	0.00	
Donations	0.00	
Funding	0.00	
Petty Cash	0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>0.00</u></b>

**Expenditure**

Consumables	106.27	
Account Check	37.00	
Insurance	285.23	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b><u>428.50</u></b>
<b>Net income for period</b>		<b><u>-428.50</u></b>

<b>Opening Bank Balance</b>	<b>5597.88</b>
Add Net Income	-428.50
<b>Closing Bank Balance</b>	<b>5169.38</b>

## CHECKING OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR FROM 01/12/2023 TO 30/11/2024 BY EKATERINA VERNER

### Introduction

I was asked to make an independent check of the HTP financial statement for the period from 01/12/2023 to 30/11/2024. I agreed to do this, and this is my report. I know the treasurer Keith Milner having conducted the check for the last eight years.

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This is 2016 (Updated 14 June 2023) and I have checked that it remains the same at the date of this report.

#### *1.4 Audit or independent examination?*

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In this respect, the Hartlepool Town Pastors require neither independent examination nor audit.

#### **1.3 Types of charity accounts**

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##### **Accruals**

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For Hartlepool Town Pastors having a gross income of less than £250,000 per year it is quite in order that the "Receipts and payments" method be used. This has been the method used.

**The Treasurer, Keith Milner**

Keith has been the treasurer and a pastor with the Hartlepool Town Pastors from the start (for 14 years) and has prepared these accounts. We have conducted the check by exchanging documents, including images of invoices and bank statements, over email.

In this way we were able to go through the figures for 01/12/2023 to 30/11/2024 together with the supporting documentation and he answered all questions I put to him.

**Conclusion**

As a result of this examination, I am satisfied that this statement of accounts is a fair and accurate record of the financial activities of Hartlepool Town Pastors between 1 December 2023 and 30 November 2024.

Ekaterina Verner AATQB  
Date: 08 September 2025



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# Another year completed and we're still on the go



*ON PARADE: kitted out in badged high-viz jackets, our teams - two three-handers here - ready for night patrol.*

## **Foreword:**

AS WE SUBMIT our annual return to the Charity Commissioners for the year 2022-2023, Hartlepool Town Pastors, aka as Street Angels, have seen a steady refreshing in our volunteers with some younger members joining the team. The period under review is for our financial year ending November 30, 2023, which saw some growth in the night time economy as new pubs opened in Church Street and Victoria Road. As reported last year the level of confidence in the night time economy has continued to increase so we have increased provision of street patrols at night during 2023 to help members of the public in need. We're also glad to signal that trend has continued into 2024 to ensure a street presence of HTP volunteers on at least one and sometimes two weekends a month. We continue to build on our existing partnerships with Hartlepool Borough Council and Cleveland Police and have been glad to play a part in the roll out of the local campaign around serious violence prevention and work to tackle the threat of spiking of drinks.

## **Thanks:**

FOR YOUR amazing continued, patient support. Thanks, as always, to all our benefactors, sponsors and supporters – not least the members of the public we meet on the street during volunteer night patrols seeing people home safely – for their kind words, generous backing and often spontaneous small gifts of money. These are carefully recorded, safeguarded and banked by project officers to add to the resources of Hartlepool Town Pastors.

That kind of public acceptance and support not only sustains the morale of our small number of volunteers who make up our three-person patrols during weekend nights, it also underpins the confidence of larger community and business organisations who provide the essential support for our efforts throughout the year.

These organisations include the churches in Hartlepool, the police, representatives of Hartlepool Borough Council, councillors, licensees, door staff, CCTV operators and generous public out and about in Hartlepool's night time economy. Without their support and co-operation, the work of Hartlepool Town Pastors / Street Angels would not be possible.



*STREET SCENE:  
our friendly faces  
are welcoming*

Thanks again to Pastor Colin Sawtell and his team in Whitby Street for providing us with a base to start from at night – to Hartlepool Foodbank, who generously responded to HTP’s request to use spare storage room for some of our coats and other resources – and the enterprising community resource group Poolie Time Exchange for access to and use of restroom facilities in their base at Bovis House.

### **New joint working:**

WE HAVE ALSO been successful in forming a working partnership with another charity, LilyAnne’s Wellbeing Café. The partnership came about after we assisted one of their clients after they had experienced a mental health crisis. In following up after that event, we realised that there were some real benefits in working together and now regularly conduct joint patrols that reach out to the homeless in the town and offer mental health support ... beyond that which HTP can offer on a Saturday night or early Sunday morning.

### **About Hartlepool Town Pastors:**

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- ❖ make a contribution to the safety and wellbeing of fellow citizens;
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**What this means in practice:** Hartlepool Town Pastors, aka Street Angels, go out into the nighttime social scene in Hartlepool from 10.30pm until 4am. We help to get people home safely and help to cut down on anti-social behaviour merely by our presence on the street.



*CHEERS: thank you for a peaceful night say LilyAnne’s team in red along with our high-viz yellow-jacketed HTP Street Angels*

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**

**Income from 01/12/2022 to 30/11/2023**

	<b>Deposit #</b>	<b>Stand Order</b>	<b>Petty Cash</b>	<b>Funding</b>	<b>Donations</b>	
15/12/2022		10.00				10.00
16/01/2023		10.00				10.00
15/02/2023		10.00				10.00
28/02/2023				300.00	AF	300.00
15/03/2023		10.00				10.00
17/04/2023		10.00				10.00
15/05/2023		10.00				10.00
15/06/2023		10.00				10.00
17/07/2023		10.00				10.00
17/07/2023					305.00 GRMC	305.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>80.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>305.00</b>	<b>685.00</b>
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AF - Asda Foundation

GRMC - Grange Road Methodist Church

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22/05/2023	000044			248.73		248.73
08/08/2023	000045		37.00			37.00
			37.00	248.73	104.49	390.22
						390.22

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**  
**Income and Expenditure Summary year from 01/12/2022 to 30/11/2023**

**Income**

Standing Orders	80.00	
Donations	305.00	
Funding	300.00	
Petty Cash	0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>685.00</u></b>

**Expenditure**

Consumables	0.00	
Account Check	37.00	
Insurance	248.73	
Meals	104.49	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b><u>390.22</u></b>
<b>Net income for period</b>		<b><u>294.78</u></b>

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19/04/2022		10.00				10.00
16/05/2022		10.00				10.00
10/06/2022	500025			300.00	(HMBA)	300.00
15/06/2022		10.00				10.00
15/07/2022		10.00				10.00
16/08/2022		10.00				10.00
15/09/2022		10.00				10.00
17/10/2022		10.00				10.00
09/11/2022					182.65 (CNI)	182.65
13/11/2022					138.33 (CNI)	138.33
15/11/2022		10.00				10.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>120.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>300.00</b>	<b>320.98</b>	<b>740.98</b>
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**Hartlepool Town Pastors**  
**Income and Expenditure Summary year from 01/12/2021 to 30/11/2022**

**Income**

Standing Orders	120.00	
Donations	320.98	
Funding	300.00	
Petty Cash	0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>740.98</u></b>

**Expenditure**

Consumables	124.68	
Account Check	32.38	
Insurance	227.23	
Presentations	85.39	
Laundry	42.00	
Meals	23.41	
Meeting Refreshments	53.70	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b><u>588.79</u></b>
<b>Net income for period</b>		<b><u><u>152.19</u></u></b>

<b>Opening Bank Balance</b>	<b>5150.91</b>
Add Net Income	152.19
<b>Closing Bank Balance</b>	<b>5303.10</b>

## CHECKING OF ACCOUNTS FOR THE YEAR FROM 01/12/2021 TO 30/11/2022 BY EKATERINA VERNER

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Date: Thursday, 06 July 2023

**HARTLEPOOL TOWN PASTORS**

England & Wales - Charity number 1160052

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**AS WE FILE** our annual report here and make our annual return to the Charity Commissioners for the year 2020-2021, Hartlepool Town Pastors, aka Street Angels, are still in unusual times. The period under review for our financial year ending November 30, 2021, remained heavily influenced by coronavirus restrictions and considerable natural public caution which became the main feature of life on Hartlepool streets from April 2020, already reflected in our report to the Charity Commission for 2020.



Nonetheless, we can now report an increase in experience, a gradual return of confidence, and provision of some street patrols at night during 2021 to help members of the public in need during Hartlepool's nighttime economy – a considerable improvement on having to suspend all street operations during general lockdowns a year earlier. We're also glad to signal that trend continued into 2022 to ensure a street presence of HTP volunteers at least one weekend a month.

## Hartlepool Town Pastors 2021

### **Thank you for your amazing continued, patient support**

We start with a repeat of the project's sincere thanks to all our benefactors, sponsors and supporters – not least the members of the public we meet on the street during volunteer night patrols seeing people home safely for their kind words, generous backing and often spontaneous small gifts of money. These are carefully recorded, safeguarded and banked by project officers to add to the resources of Hartlepool Town Pastors.

That kind of public acceptance and support not only sustains the morale of our small number of volunteers who make up our three-person patrols during weekend nights, it also underpins the confidence of larger community and business organisations who provide the essential support for our efforts throughout the year.

These organisations include the churches in Hartlepool, the police, representatives of Hartlepool Borough Council, councillors, local business people, supermarkets and stores, licensees, door staff, CCTV operators, and the generous public out and about in Hartlepool's nighttime economy. Without their support and co-operation, the work of Hartlepool Town Pastors' Street Angels would not be possible. Thanks again to Pastor Colin Sawtell and his team in Whitby Street for providing us with a base to start from at night – to Hartlepool Foodbank, who generously responded to HTP's request to use spare storage room for some of our coats and other resources – and, during the year, to the enterprising community resource group Poolie Time Exchange for access to and use of restroom facilities in their new base at Bovis House.

### **About Hartlepool Town Pastors**

HTP is a charitable volunteer initiative that started life in May 2011 in Hartlepool and followed the Christian Nightlife Initiatives 'Street Angels' model now widely used in other towns and cities across

the UK and (from 2022) becoming part of and adopting the new title of Redeeming Our Communities. HTP volunteers do not have to profess any faith but must be prepared to deal with people in a totally non-discriminatory way. We have won three awards for the service provided and were publicly recognised by Hartlepool’s Mayor during 2019 for the long service of four volunteers who had completed more than eight years with the project.

**HTP charitable objectives**

To advance the Christian faith in Hartlepool and in such other parts of the United Kingdom or the world as the steering board may from time to time think fit particularly but not exclusively by means of caring, listening and helping people on the streets and at various venues day and night.

Hartlepool Town Pastors aim to:

- + make a contribution to the safety and wellbeing of fellow citizens;
- + offer care, compassion and appropriate practical & spiritual help to members of the public;
- + help those who find themselves marginalised and vulnerable;
- + signpost services available from other organisations and help individuals access them.

**What this means in practice**

Hartlepool Town Pastors, aka Street Angels, go out into the nighttime social scene in Hartlepool from 10.30pm until 4am.



We help to get people home safely and help to cut down on anti-social behaviour merely by our presence on the street.

**Annual report 2021: Registered Charity No 1160052 : [www.facebook.com/hpooiltownpastors](http://www.facebook.com/hpooiltownpastors)**



**Hartlepool Town Pastors**

**Income from 01/12/2020 to 30/11/2021**

	<b>Deposit #</b>	<b>Stand Order</b>	<b>Petty Cash</b>	<b>Funding</b>	<b>Donations</b>
15/12/2020		10.00			10.00
15/01/2021		10.00			10.00
15/02/2021		10.00			10.00
15/03/2021		10.00			10.00
15/04/2021		10.00			10.00
17/05/2021		10.00			10.00
15/06/2021		10.00			10.00
15/07/2021		10.00			10.00
16/08/2021		10.00			10.00
15/09/2021		10.00			10.00
15/10/2021		10.00			10.00
15/11/2021		10.00			10.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>120.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>120.00</b>
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**Hartlepool Town Pastors  
Expenditure from 01/12/2020 to 30/11/2021**

	CHK #	Laptop	Account Check	BNIB Insurance	Meeting Refreshments		TESCO	PC LOTTERY
19/03/2021	000033	72.00	20.70			92.70		72
25/05/2021	000035			237.64		237.64		
02/07/2021	000034	330.38				330.38		330.38
12/08/2021	000031				19.70	19.70		
		402.38	20.70	237.64	19.70	680.42 680.42	0.00	402.38

**Hartlepool Town Pastors  
Income and Expenditure Summary year from 01/12/2020  
to 30/11/2021**

**Income**

Standing Orders	120.00	
Donations	0.00	
Funding	0.00	
Petty Cash	0.00	
<b>Total Income</b>		<b><u>120.00</u></b>

**Expenditure**

Laptop	402.38	
Account Check	20.70	
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Meeting Refreshments	19.70	
<b>Total Expenditure</b>		<b><u>680.42</u></b>
<b>Net income for period</b>		<b><u><u>-560.42</u></u></b>

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**Ekaterina Verner AATQB, Mandelbrot Ltd**

**Michael Piercy, Director, Mandelbrot Ltd**

Checked by:

Mandelbrot Limited, 33 Clifton Avenue, Hartlepool, TS26 9QW

Date: Wednesday, 15 August 2022

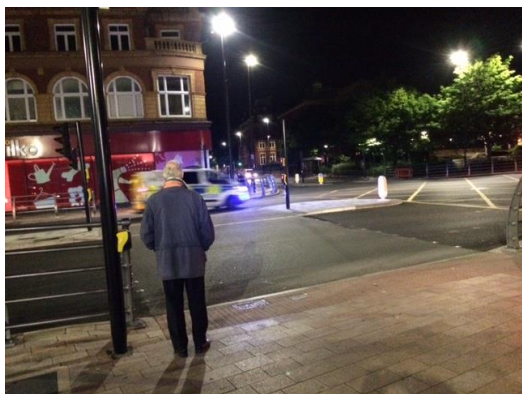
**HARTLEPOOL TOWN PASTORS**

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Police van passes deserted streets near Wilko lights

*HARTLEPOOL TOWN PASTORS have again been furloughed for the entire year under review. The reason is obvious – the Covid-19 pandemic and corona rules and restrictions. For most of the year, the night-time economy of Hartlepool has been either closed down or severely restricted and the street presence of the ‘Angels’ in the early hours in the town centre has been missing ... now returning cautiously with Hartlepool’s hospitality venues.*

## **Hartlepool Town Pastors aka Street Angels**

Annual report to Charity Commissioners for annual review

# **We moved from empty streets – to a cautious return to duty**

WE’RE STILL BASED in Whitby Street on the ground floor of the hostel and home of our friends at Reach Out Ministries. We have found a new store-cupboard to keep some of our unused spare coats and stock, thanks to our pals at Hartlepool Foodbank. We have found a new rest centre for night-time R&R (rest and refreshment, in case you’re wondering) thanks to new friends running a community project in Bovis House at the top end of Victoria Road near York Road. We’ve even got the promise to allow us to meet new recruits – offered last year by Hartlepool Foodbank – by sharing the new *Hands Up Hartlepool* shop on the gallery in Middleton Grange when it’s able to open again now lockdowns are paused. Thanks to a gallant fundraiser trustee and limited scope to spend the money he has raised for us, our finances are sound.

But all that good news has been parked for most of the last 16 months since the first corona virus lockdown was announced on March 23, 2020. Our small contingent of volunteers is even further reduced – we are down to seven on the roster available for street patrols now we are starting up again – but we’re glad to confirm that we have found a volunteer to take on the role of rota champion from the experienced hand who retired from the frontline to join our trustees. With real sadness we will shortly say farewell to the venture’s former project manager and another of our faithful street patrol angels both of whom have been part of the team for years. We hope to celebrate their loyalty and service now we are able to meet again. So, to cover four Saturday nights a month, we need a minimum of 12 volunteers for a rota of three-person patrols, or a more flexible squad of 24 volunteers ... or ideally 36 night-walkers to run two three-person patrols each Saturday. With those kind of numbers, it would also be possible to revive Friday-night patrols.

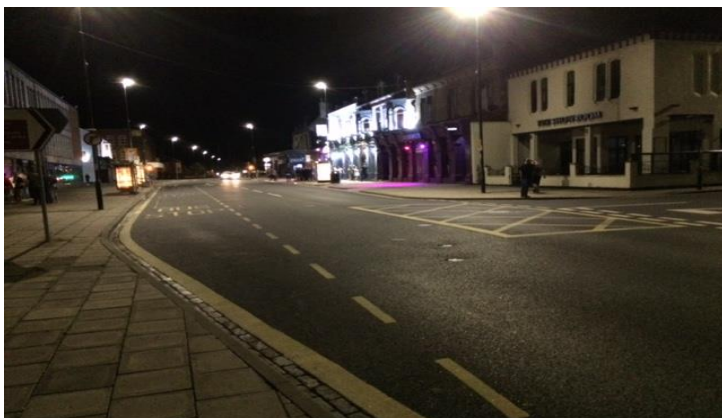
This report may be light on news, incidents and amusing anecdotes. Yet its underlying message is, unsurprisingly, the same as a year ago. Your Street Angels need some extra help just now. Hartlepool Town Pastors is the partner group supported by Hartlepool Borough Council, Cleveland Police, the area street angels group for Cleveland. It has always relied on local churches and their congregations to find, inspire and recruit volunteers needed to take a turn once a month to walk the town centre on a Saturday night, or help behind the scenes to keep our town’s night-time economy safe and get people home safely.



THE LAST COVID- affected annual return appealed for help to project-manage Hartlepool Town Pastors. With the imminent departure now of one of our longest-serving trustees plus a great frontline team member, the trustees have begun a recruitment drive among local churches and a wider community search among like-minded groups to find a project manager, back office helpers, and new night walkers & listeners.

**Contact:** [www.facebook.com/hpooltownpastors](https://www.facebook.com/hpooltownpastors)

Email: [aide.hartlepooltownpastors@outlook.com](mailto:aide.hartlepooltownpastors@outlook.com)



Empty – Victoria Road during lockdown – busy again come summer 2021?  
Approved by the Trustees of HTP / 7 September 2021

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**

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15/01/2020		10.00				10.00
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15/04/2020		10.00				10.00
15/05/2020		10.00				10.00
15/06/2020		10.00				10.00
15/07/2020		10.00				10.00
17/08/2020		10.00				10.00
17/08/2020			50.00			
15/09/2020		10.00				10.00
15/10/2020		10.00				10.00
16/11/2020		10.00				10.00
<b>Totals</b>		<b>120.00</b>	<b>50.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>120.00</b>
						170.00

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**

**Expenditure from 01/12/2019 to 30/11/2020**

	CHK #	Flip Flops	Supplies	PPE	BNIB		TESCO	PC LOTTERY
					<b>Insurance</b>			
10/03/2020	000027	303.99	61.08			365.07	365.07	
08/05/2020	000028				237.64	237.64		
01/09/2020	000029			118.40		118.40	118.40	
25/11/2020	000032			99.23		99.23		
		303.99	61.08	217.63	237.64	820.34	483.47	
						820.34		

**Hartlepool Town Pastors**  
**Income and Expenditure Summary year from 01/12/2019 to 30/11/2020**

<b>Income</b>	120.00	
Standing Orders	0.00	
Donations		
Funding	50.00	
Petty Cash		
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>170.00</b>

<b>Expenditure</b>	61.08	
Supplies	303.99	
Flip Flops	237.64	
Insurance PPE	217.63	

<b>Total Expenditure</b>		
<b>Net income for period</b>		<b>820.34</b>
		<b>-650.34</b>

<b>Opening Bank Balance</b>		
Add Net Income		<b>6361.67 -</b>
<b>Closing Bank Balance</b>		<b>650.34</b>
		<b>5711.33</b>

TESCO BID  
POSTCODE LOTTERY BID

483.47

0 (POSTCODE LOTTERY SPEND IS £402.38  
BUT WILL BE ON 20/21 ACCOUNT)

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**Michael Piercy**