

JESMOND STREET PASTORS

England & Wales · Charity number 1168724

Details

Status Registered

Legal form CIO

Registered 2016-08-11

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

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Activities

Objects: THE OBJECTS OF THE CHARITABLE INCORPORATED ORGANISATION ARE FOR PUBLIC BENEFIT, IN THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA OF JESMOND AND BEYOND AS THE TRUSTEES MAY FROM TIME TO TIME DETERMINE IN ACCORDANCE WITH CHARITY LAW IN ENGLAND AND WALES, AS FOLLOWS: (1) TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STREET PASTOR LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH THE "ASCENSION TRUST" THROUGH: (I) THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC PASTORAL CARE SERVICES TO HELP PEOPLE ON THE STREETS AND OTHER PUBLIC PLACES, GIVING GUIDANCE, SUPPORT AND SIGNPOSTING WHICH ASSIST IN PRESERVING PUBLIC ORDER, AVOID ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR, RELIEVE SICKNESS AND PRESERVE HEALTH AND BY (II) ENLIGHTENING OTHERS ABOUT CHRISTIANITY THROUGH RAISING AWARENESS AND UNDERSTANDING OF ECCLESIASTICAL RELEVANCE TO COMMUNITY AND PUBLIC LIFE, MOBILIZING THE CHURCH ECUMENICALLY TO UNITY OF WORSHIP AND TO ADVANCE THE CHRISTIAN FAITH BY CARRYING OUT THE MISSION AND OUTREACH WORK OF THE GOSPEL FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC. (2) TO DEVELOP THE CAPACITY AND SKILLS OF SOCIALLY DISADVANTAGED GROUPS IN OUR COMMUNITY IN SUCH A WAY THAT THEY ARE BETTER ABLE TO IDENTIFY, AND HELP MEET, THEIR NEEDS AND TO PARTICIPATE MORE FULLY IN SOCIETY; IN PARTICULAR BUT NOT EXCLUSIVELY THROUGH RAISING AWARENESS, PROMOTING, SUSTAINING AND INCREASING INDIVIDUAL AND COLLECTIVE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND EXPERTISE, THROUGH THE PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENT OF INDIVIDUAL CAPABILITIES, COMPETENCES, SKILLS AND UNDERSTANDING THROUGH FORMAL TRAINING, INFORMAL TALKS AND CAPACITY BUILDING IN VOLUNTARY SERVICES, ACCORDING TO CHRISTIAN PRINCIPLES AND THE STREET PASTOR URBAN TRINITY PRINCIPLE OF CHURCH, POLICE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT WORKING TOGETHER FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMMUNITY.

Activities: Street Pastors is an initiative of Ascension Trust and pioneered in London in 2003. There are now over 11,000 street pastors in 270 locations around the UK. Jesmond Street Pastors engage with people on the streets to care for them, listen to them and help them, working with other partners in the night-time economy to make communities safer. We currently patrol on Friday evenings from 1930-midnight

Classification

- **How:** Other Charitable Activities
- **What:** Recreation
- **Who:** Children/young People, Elderly/old People, People With Disabilities, The General Public/mankind

Geography

- Newcastle Upon Tyne City

Finances

Period end	Income	Expenditure	Assets	Employees
2024-12-31	£400	£1,562	-	-
2023-12-31	£1,808	£3,645	-	-
2022-12-31	£3,127	£3,609	-	-
2021-12-31	£40,300	£33,104	-	-
2020-12-31	£400	£745	-	-

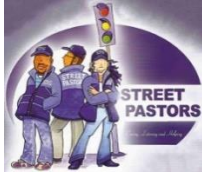
Trustees

Name	Role	Appointed
CHRIS LINCOLN	Chair	2017-03-13
Dr John Waddell		2017-08-03
Dr LAURA GRAHAM		2016-08-01
JANET ANDERSON		2016-08-01
JEAN MARGARET DEGENHARDT		2016-11-08
Margaret Elizabeth Graham		2016-08-01
Rev Alison Mary Wilkinson BA MEd MA		2017-01-15

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Jesmond Street Pastors

Newcastle upon Tyne

Annual Trustees Report 2024

2024 was the eighth year of operation of Jesmond Street Pastors since its incorporation in August 2016.

Jesmond

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Currently, over 220 towns and cities around the UK have a Street Pastors team. In addition to Street Pastors, there may be prayer pastors, who support the local team with prayer throughout the patrol period. Each team will have a management committee, and trustees elected from local churches.

Since 2014, some Street Pastors have received additional training as Response Pastors, who provide support to those affected by a disaster or crisis. Response pastors can be called upon any day or night to support and assist where appropriate. A response pastor is a crucial point of contact and an additional support to the established emergency services. See <https://www.streetpastors.org/about-us/response-pastors/>.

Jesmond Street Pastors Operational Aspects

2024 was a challenging year for the team. Continued sickness within the team meant that the number of patrols was reduced to at most two per month. We completed 21 patrols, spoke to 1600 people on our patrols, collected 272 bottles from the streets, so continuing to make the streets of Jesmond safer.

The Summer period was quieter as the students were not in residence. In September, when the university terms recommenced, the students did not seem to appear in such numbers as previous years.

Licensing hours have been maintained, and all licensed premises are the same as previous years with one or more retail food outlets having changed.

We started the year with eight Street pastors with two being on long term absence.

Our Coordinator keeps in touch with local councillors and the **Keep Jesmond Clean** team, looking at ways to reduce the volumes of glass on the streets and how the street pastors can contribute to public safety on the streets of Jesmond.

Even though we are a very small team in Jesmond, there is evidence to show that we are making an impact.

Management Committee

The Management Committee have not met in 2024, due to the issues of sickness. Where necessary, members have been kept up to date via email.

Their role is to ensure that the project continues to operate smoothly. They have checked that the project conforms to the General Data Protection Regulations. In addition, they monitor income and expenditure and plan ways to raise funds. They also check that the project conforms to Charity Commission regulations and follows Ascension Trust guidelines.

Trustees and Management Committee

There was no change of Trustee during 2024. The list of Trustees is as follows.

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We thank our officers and Trustees for their support and prayers during 2024.

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Financial Report

Jesmond Street Pastors is a small project and for its finances relies very much on donations from the local churches, the community and the general public.

Expenditure includes essential items such as a mobile phone, first aid material, and insurance for the street pastors. The License fee to Ascension Trust is obligatory.

Our audited accounts are available separately. We are grateful to our Auditor, Mr David Stabler, for his help and advice.

Summary of our accounts for 2024:

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Donation from St Georges Parish Church	£400.00	Mobile phone	£215.40
		Access Insurance	£221.52
		Ascension Trust License fee	£1,000.00
		Christmas meal for the team	£125.55
Total Income:	£400.00	Total Expenditure:	£1,562.47

BALANCE SHEET	
Balance at 01/01/2024	£5,739.91
Income	£400.00
Total Income	£6,139.91
Less Expenditure	£1562.47
Closing Balance at 31/12/2024	£4,577.44

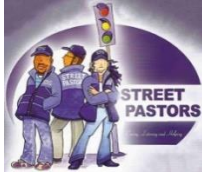
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Margaret E Graham
 Secretary, Jesmond Street Pastors.
 August 2025

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Newcastle upon Tyne

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2023 was the seventh year of operation of Jesmond Street Pastors since its incorporation in August 2016. As with other charities and organisations, operational activities were back to normal after the restrictions brought about by the Covid pandemic were lifted.

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team will have a management committee, and trustees elected from local churches.

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Jesmond Street Pastors Operational Aspects

2023 was a challenging year for the team due to sickness within the team. This meant that patrols from July went down to one patrol a month.

The Summer period was quieter as the students were not in residence and in September, when they arrived, they didn't seem to appear in such numbers as in previous years.

Licensing hours have been maintained and all licensed premises are the same as previous years with one or more retail food outlets having changed.

The Safer Transport and Women's Safety in Vulnerable Places projects came to an end in September. We received a letter from the Police and Crime Commissioner thanking us for our valuable contribution to the success of the projects.

We started the year with seven Street Pastors and ended the year with six. However, two new Street Pastors are in training and will start patrols in 2024.

Our Coordinator keeps in touch with local councillors and the Keep Jesmond Clean team, looking at ways to reduce the volumes of glass on the streets and how the street pastors can contribute to public safety on the streets of Jesmond.

Even though we are a very small team in Jesmond, there is evidence to show that we are making an impact.

Management Committee

The Management Committee met three times in 2023. Where necessary, members have been kept up to date via email.

Their role is to ensure that the project continues to operate smoothly. They have checked that the project conforms to the General Data Protection Regulations. In addition, they monitor income and expenditure and plan ways to raise funds. They also check that the project conforms to Charity Commission regulations and follows Ascension Trust guidelines.

Trustees and Management Committee

There was one change of Trustee during 2023. Rev'd Canon Brian Hurst of St George's Jesmond resigned due to a change of appointment. We place on record our sincere thanks to him for his season with JSP. To date we have not yet replaced him on the Committee.

The list of Trustees is as follows.

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Financial Report

Jesmond Street Pastors is a small project and for its finances relies very much on donations from the local churches, the community and the general public.

We received some general funding from Northumbria Police (£100) to support our work in the community of Jesmond. As lead team we received and distributed funding for the other Street Pastor teams – Jesmond, Newcastle, Whitley Bay, and Sunderland - and Street Angels who operate in South Shields, as indicated in our accounts.

Expenditure includes essential items such as a mobile phone, first aid material, and insurance for the street pastors. The License fee to Ascension Trust is obligatory.

Our audited accounts are available separately. We are grateful to our Auditor, Mr David Stabler, for his help and advice.

Summary of our accounts for 2023:

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Northumbria Police	£1,708.00	Mobile phone	£205.62
Donation	£100.00	Insurance	£221.52
		Ascension Trust License fee	£600.00
		Supplies	£9.45
		Jesmond Methodist Church	£1,000.00
		Street Angels – South Shields	£100.00
		Whitley Bay Street Pastors	£780.97
		Newcastle Street Pastors	£100.00
		Sunderland Street Pastors	£627.03
Total Income:	£1,808.00	Total Expenditure:	£3,644.59

BALANCE SHEET	
Balance at 01/01/2023	£7,576.50
Income	£1,808.00
Total Income	£9,384.50
Less Expenditure	£3,644.59
Closing Balance at 31/12/2023	£5,739.91

In conclusion, we pray that Jesmond Street Pastors will continue to support the night-time economy in Jesmond, and care for, listen to and help people who are out on the streets.

Margaret E Graham
Secretary, Jesmond Street Pastors. September 2024

Jesmond Street Pastors 1st January 2023 - 31st December 2023

INCOME		EXPENDITURE				BALANCE SHEET	
31/03/2023	Northumbria Police	£500.00	09/01/2023	Ascension Trust License Fee	£200.00	Balance at 01/01/2023	£7,576.50
			23/01/2023	O2	£19.18		
14/08/2023	St Georges Parish Church	£100.00	22/02/2023	Keith Gilfillan Supplies	£9.45	Income	£1,808.00
			22/02/2023	O2	£15.28		
09/10/2023	Northumbria Police	£1,208.00	22/03/2023	O2	£15.28	Total	£9,384.50
			22/04/2023	Ascension Trust License Fee	£200.00		
			23/04/2023	O2	£17.32	Less Expenditure	£3,644.59
			24/04/2023	Whitley Bay SP	£100.00		
			24/04/2023	Newcastle SP	£100.00		
			22/05/2023	O2	£17.32	Closing Balance 31/12/2023	£5,739.91
			24/05/2023	Jesmond Methodist Church	£1,000.00		
			08/06/2023	Sunderland SP	£100.00		
			08/06/2023	South Shields	£100.00		
			22/06/2023	O2	£17.32		
			17/07/2023	Ascension Trust License Fee	£200.00		
			17/07/2023	Access Insurance	£221.52		
			22/07/2023	O2	£17.32		
			23/08/2023	O2	£17.32		
			23/09/2023	O2	£17.32		
			10/10/2024	Sunderland SP	£527.03		
			10/10/2024	Whitley Bay SP	£680.97		
			23/10/2023	O2	£17.32		
			23/11/2021	O2	£17.32		
			22/12/202	O2	£17.32		
		£1,808.00			£3,644.59		

Examined and found correct - compared to bank statements and vouchers.

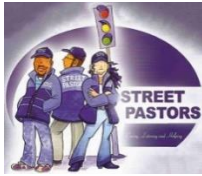
David A. Stabler 9.4.2024

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Annual Trustees Report 2022

2022 was the sixth full year of operation of Jesmond Street Pastors since its incorporation in August 2016. As with other charities and organisations, operational activities began to get back to normal after the restrictions imposed by the Covid pandemic were lifted.

The Annual General Meeting of Jesmond Street Pastors was held on 7 November 2022.

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Jesmond Street Pastors Operational Aspects

Throughout 2022 the team maintained their Friday evening patrol. Patrols were busier than previous years with students out in large numbers, making up for lost time when Bars were closed due to the Pandemic. Licensing hours have been maintained and all licensed premises were the same as previous years with one or more retail food outlets having changed ownership.

In September 2022, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) invited us to continue our membership of The **Safer Transport** and **Women's Safety in Vulnerable Places** projects. The make-up of our Friday patrol is an early patrol on the Metro system from West Jesmond to Monument stations and then our foot patrol on a section of Osborne Road and the streets of Jesmond adjacent to the bars on Osborne Road.

The Bus Patrol on Thursday afternoons, which was introduced in November 2021, finished in March 2022.

Jesmond Street Pastors continued to act as the lead team for Street Pastors and Street Angels in the projects and received the funding for all the teams, which was then re-distributed onwards to the teams.

We started the year with eight Street pastors and ended the year with seven. No new street pastors were recruited in 2022. New Street Pastors undergo standard Ascension Trust training programme for new recruits. All Street pastors have to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service check.

As reported in 2020, four Street Pastors in Jesmond have been trained as Response Pastors and are now ready to be deployed to major situations.

Our Coordinator keeps in touch with local councillors and the Keep Jesmond Clean team, looking at ways to reduce the volume of glass on the streets and how the street pastors can contribute to public safety on the streets of Jesmond.

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Management Committee

During the latter part of the year, the Management Committee have met in person and, where necessary, have been kept up to date via email.

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We received funding from Northumbria Police as part of Street Pastor involvement in the Safer Transport and Women's safety in Public Places projects. This funding was for operational costs. As lead team we received all the funding. This funding £6350 was shared equally between the four Street

Pastor teams in the area – Jesmond, Newcastle, Whitley Bay, and Sunderland - as well as Street Angels who operate in South Shields.

Expenditure includes essential items such as a mobile phone, new uniforms and kits, and insurance for the street pastors. The License fee to Ascension Trust is obligatory. The expenditure on the Christmas meal is a way of thanking our street pastors for the time and effort they give as volunteers.

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Northumbria Police	£2,987.18	Mobile phone	£180.09
Donation	£100.00	Insurance	£221.52
Christmas Meal donation	£40.00	Ascension Trust License fee	£1,200.20
		Uniforms and kits	£1,721.82
		Christmas meal	£285.35
Total Income:	£3,127.18	Total Expenditure:	£3,608.98

BALANCE SHEET	
Balance at 01/01/2022	£8,058.30
Income	£3,127.18
Total Income	£11,185.48
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Closing Balance at 31/12/2022	£7,576.50

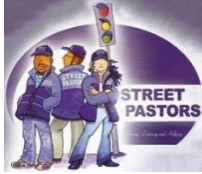
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Annual Trustees Report 2021

2021 would have been the fifth full year of operation of Jesmond Street Pastors since its incorporation in August 2016. However, as we entered the year, the Covid pandemic was still rampant and as with other charities and organisations, operational activities were again interrupted.

The Annual General Meeting of Jesmond Street Pastors would have been held in early 2022 but was postponed due to ongoing restrictions.

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It had been necessary to stop patrols as lockdown was introduced in March 2020 and even though the night-time economy had reopened in Jesmond in the second part of 2020, after the New Year numerous people were still contracting the virus. The night-time economy was quiet with many people not venturing out. Ascension Trust continued to issue regular updates as the policy and criteria changed in line with outbreaks of the virus.

We recommenced patrols in July 2021, giving us time to prepare for the students returning in the September. Once the students returned, the night-time economy on a Friday night was exceptionally busy. New students arriving plus those returning took to the pubs and bars as they felt they had missed out in previous years.

In August, our Coordinator, Mr Chris Lincoln, was approached by the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) about Street Pastor involvement in two new initiatives in the Tyne and Wear area: **Safer Transport**, and **Safer Women at Night (SWAN)**. Jesmond Street Pastors were asked to be the lead team for Street Pastors and Street Angels in the project and received the funding for all the teams. The projects led to a new Bus Patrol on a Thursday afternoon and a Metro patrol on a Friday night, the latter being combined with the team's regular patrol in Jesmond. These patrols started in November and will finish end of March 2022.

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As reported in 2020, four Street Pastors in Jesmond have been trained as Response Pastors and are now ready to be deployed to major situations.

Our Coordinator keeps in touch with local councillors and the Keep Jesmond Clean team, looking at ways to reduce the volumes of glass on the streets

and how the street pastors can contribute to public safety on the streets of Jesmond.

Even though we are a very small team in Jesmond, there is evidence to show that we are making an impact.

Management Committee

During the year, the Management Committee have not met in person but have met as necessary online (using Zoom) and kept up to date via email.

Their role is to ensure that the project continues to operate smoothly. They have checked that the project conforms to the new General Data Protection Regulations. In addition, they monitor income and expenditure and plan ways to raise funds. They also check that the project conforms to Charity Commission regulations and follows Ascension Trust guidelines.

Trustees and Management Committee

There have been no changes to the Management Committee in 2021.

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Chair and Coordinator: Mr Chris Lincoln, Methodist Church.

Secretary: Mrs Margaret Graham, Jesmond Methodist Church.

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Committee members:

Dr Laura Graham, Methodist Church.

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Mr John Waddell, Church of the Holy Name, Jesmond.

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We thank our officers and Trustees for their support and prayers during 2020.

It is hoped through time that there will be a representative from all Jesmond Churches on the Management Committee.

Mr Chris Lincoln, as Chair of Trustees, spends much of his time liaising with the police and local councillors as well as speaking to the Churches in Jesmond to encourage more volunteers to come forward as Street Pastors or Prayer Pastors.

Financial Report

Jesmond Street Pastors is a small project and for its finances relies very much on donations from the local churches, the community and the general public.

We received funding from Northumbria Police as part of Street Pastor involvement in the Safer Transport and Safer Women at Night projects. This funding was for retraining of all volunteers and recruitment costs for new volunteers. As lead team we received all the funding. This funding (£40,000) was shared equally between the four Street Pastor teams in the area – Jesmond, Newcastle, Whitley Bay, and Sunderland - as well as Street Angels who operate in South Shields.

Expenditure includes essential items such as a mobile phone and insurance for the Street Pastors. The License fee to Ascension Trust is obligatory.

Our audited accounts are available separately. We are grateful to our Auditor, Mr David Stabler, for his help and advice.

Summary of our accounts for 2021:

<u>INCOME</u>		<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	
Donations	£300.00	Mobile phone	£169.71
Northumbria Police	£40,000.00	Insurance	£221.52
		Ascension Trust License fee	£712.50
		Street Angels – South Shields	£8,000.00
		Whitley Bay Street Pastors	£8,000.00
		Newcastle Street Pastors	£8,000.00
		Sunderland Street Pastors	£8,000.00
Total Income:	£40,300.00	Total Expenditure:	£33,103.73

BALANCE SHEET	
Balance at 01/01/2021	£862.03
Income	£40,300.00
Total Income	£41,162.03
Less Expenditure	£33,103.73
Closing Balance at 31/12/2021	£8,058.30

In conclusion, we pray that Jesmond Street Pastors will continue to support the night-time economy in Jesmond, and care for, listen to and help people who are out on the streets.

Margaret E Graham
Secretary, Jesmond Street Pastors
August 2022

Jesmond Street Pastors 1st January 2021 - 31st December 2021									
INCOME					EXPENDITURE				
Donation - St Georges Church	£100.00	✓	Mobile Phone	£169.71	✓	Balance at 01/01/2020	£862.03		
Donation	£200.00	✓	Insurance	£221.52	✓				
Northumbria Police	£40,000.00	✓	Ascension Trust Licence Fee	£712.50	✓	Income	£40,300.00		
			Street Angels - South Shields	£8,000.00	✓				
			Whitley Bay Street Pastors	£8,000.00	✓	Total	£41,162.03		
			Newcastle Street Pastors	£8,000.00	✓				
			Sunderland Street Pastors	£8,000.00	✓	Less Expenditure	£33,103.73		
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The accounts of Jesmond Street Pastors examined and compared with bank statements and receipts and found correct

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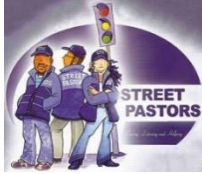
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Jesmond Street Pastors

Newcastle upon Tyne

Annual Trustees Report 2020

2020 would have been the fourth full year of operation of Jesmond Street Pastors since its incorporation in August 2016. However, as with other charities and organisations, operational activities were interrupted by the Coronavirus pandemic

The fourth Annual General Meeting of Jesmond Street Pastors would have been held in early 2021 but was cancelled due to ongoing restrictions.

Jesmond

Jesmond is an affluent residential suburb and is split into two electoral wards just north of the centre of Newcastle Upon Tyne. The population is about 12,000. The area consists of a mixture of residential homes, in mostly Edwardian and Victorian terraces. There is a large student population mainly accommodated in multiple occupancy houses. There are many cafes and restaurants, boutiques and small supermarkets centring along St Georges Terrace, Acorn Road and Osborne Road. Jesmond Street Pastors patrol the section of Osborne Road where the nightlife is based around several chic cocktail bars. Our base of operations is Jesmond Methodist Church, located on St Georges Terrace.

Street Pastors

The Street Pastors initiative was pioneered in London in 2003 by Ascension Trust (<https://www.ascensiontrust.org.uk/>). A street pastor is a trained volunteer who is a Christian and is part of a local church, and who is concerned for society and their local community. They patrol in teams of men and women, often on a Friday and/or Saturday night, to care for, listen to and help people who are out on the streets. They are willing to engage with people, whatever their perspective on life and wherever they hang out, working in collaboration with other agencies and projects. See <https://www.streetpastors.org/> for more information about Street Pastors.

Each local Street Pastor project is approved and set up by the Ascension Trust, which is the governing body behind Street Pastors, and run by a local coordinator with support from local churches and community groups, in partnership with the police, local council and other statutory agencies.

Currently, over 220 towns and cities around the UK have a Street Pastors team. In addition to Street Pastors, there may be prayer pastors, who support the local team with prayer throughout the patrol period. Each team will have a management committee and trustees elected from local churches.

Since 2014, some Street Pastors have received additional training as Response Pastors, who provide support to those affected by a disaster or crisis. Response pastors can be called upon any day or night to support and assist where appropriate. A response pastor is a crucial point of contact and an additional support to the established emergency services. See <https://www.streetpastors.org/about-us/response-pastors/>.

Jesmond Street Pastors Operational Aspects

It was necessary to stop patrols as lockdown was introduced in March 2020. When pubs and bars reopened in summer 2020 the return to patrolling was reviewed, but it was agreed that the situation did not look safe for our volunteers.

Ascension Trust issued regular updates as the policy and criteria changed, advising that street pastors should not hand out water, flip flop, etc. This would make patrols challenging and restrictive. Street pastors were advised, where possible, to instead encourage friends to look after each other and deal with any casualties. The challenge of not touching other people and not being touched ourselves, as well as maintaining the two-metre social distance apart, supported our decision not to resume patrols.

PPE equipment was purchased, including full face masks, aprons, mouth and nose masks and hand sanitizers, ready for a return should the night-time economy be considered safe.

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Patrols are normally held on Friday evenings during university term time. In the vacations, patrols are moved to Saturday evenings. In addition, patrols are undertaken on Bank Holiday Sundays. Obviously, these have not happened since the lockdown was introduced in March 2020.

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		Ascension Trust	
		License fee	£337.50
Total Income:	£400.00	Total Expenditure:	£745.17

BALANCE SHEET	
Balance at 01/01/2020	£1,207.20
Income	£400.00
Total Income	£1,607.20
Less Expenditure	£745.17
Closing Balance at 31/12/2020	£862.03

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Margaret E Graham
Secretary
Jesmond Street Pastors
September 2021

Jesmond Street Pastors 1st January 2020 - 31st December 2020

INCOME			EXPENDITURE			
06/01/2020	Donation from St Georges Church	£400.00 ✓	23/01/2020	O2	£18.58 ✓	
			23/02/2020	O2	£18.58 ✓	
			22/03/2020	O2	£18.58 ✓	
			23/04/2020	O2	£19.08 ✓	
			22/05/2020	O2	£13.33 ✓	
			22/06/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
			03/07/2020	Ascention Trust License Fee	£225.00 ✓	
			17/07/2020	Access Insurance	£221.52 ✓	
			22/07/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
			22/08/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
			23/09/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
			30/09/2020	Ascention Trust License Fee	£112.50 ✓	
			23/10/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
			23/11/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
			23/12/2020	O2	£14.00 ✓	
		£400.00 ✗			£745.17 ✗	Balanced 31/12/20