

REGISTERED CHARITY NO:1179124

Basingstoke Street Pastors

Annual Report for 2020

P Thomas: Chair

Trustees' Annual Report for the Period

From: 1st January to 31st December 2020

Section A

Reference and administration details

Charity Name: Basingstoke Street Pastors

Other names charity is known by: BSP

Registered Charity Number: 1179124

Charity's principal address: United Reformed Church
London Street
Basingstoke
Hampshire
RG21 7NU

Names of the Trustees who manage the charity:

Trustee name	Office (if any)	Dates acted if not for whole year	Name of Person (or body) entitled to appoint trustee (if any)
Philip Thomas	Chairman		
Gwen Thomas	Minutes secretary		
Paul Gibbons	Treasurer		
Malcolm Murray	Trustee		
Kay Blackwell	Trustee		
David Butler	Trustee		

There are no custodian or other trustees other than as declared above

Names and addresses of advisors:

Barclays Bank 20-05-00

Section B Structure, governance and management

Description of the charity's trusts

Type of Governing Document	Constitution
How the Charity is constituted	Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO Foundation) registered July 10 th 2018
Trustee selection methods	Trustee selection per criteria in written constitution. Appointed/elected by resolution at General Meetings, ratified at subsequent AGM.

Additional governance issues

Basingstoke Street Pastors comprise a separately registered but licenced local initiative of the Ascension Trust (themselves a registered charity, No 1127204) and who set out high-level policies and guidance and provide advice and support of a general nature.

The Charity's management structure comprises a Management Group, with a team of Trustees supported by advisors (appointed to that role by the Trustees) who may be themselves serving street pastors and bring their operational street experiences into play to inform and advise the Trustees as required or necessary. Management structure and processes/policies are established via a suite of operational documentation, approved by the Trustees, which is reviewed regularly and updated as required. These local documents, together with the constitution, Licence agreement, local GDPR arrangements and other associated documents form the basis of Trustee orientation and training.

Financial risks are identified during each General Meeting, with mitigation measures discussed and put in place accordingly. Operational and night time risks pertinent to all street pastors are identified through the Advisors who form part of the Management Group as well as various agencies (Police, CCTV operators, venue staff) via radio or directly and BSP team leaders identify appropriate actions to mitigate the risks associated with being part of the night-time economy. A risk register has been implemented and is updated and maintained.

Section C Objectives and activities

Summary of the objects of the charity set out in its governing document

The aim of Basingstoke Street Pastors is to contribute to the night-time economy by providing a service of practical care, listening and helping on the streets of Basingstoke during Friday and Saturday nights, by deploying teams of volunteer Street Pastors drawn from local churches.

Summary of the main activities undertaken for the public benefit in relation to these objects

In preparing this report, the Trustees have taken due regard of the guidance issued by the Charity Commission on Public Benefit.

A summary of previous Street Pastor interventions and assistance to members of the public out and about in Basingstoke during the team hours is prepared for each general meeting and the outcomes discussed.

In achieving our aims week by week, BSP continues to care for, listen to and help anyone, of any faith or none, and irrespective of age, disability, gender reassignment, marriage and civil partnership, race, religion or belief, sex, pregnancy and maternity, and sexual orientation who has need on the Streets of Basingstoke. Our reputation continues to be very positive and, in particular, the Police have informed us that they are extremely grateful for our contribution to the night-time economy as they struggle with the impact of spending cuts and staff shortages. The provision of a Street Pastor service has also contributed to the town of Basingstoke being awarded the 'Purple Flag' for public safety.

The interventions and help can be summarised as follows:

Calming aggressive situations;

Supporting vulnerable people in a variety of circumstances;

Attending to minor injuries (First Aid Training is given) or, if needed, arranging for ambulance attendance);

Organising transport (taxis usually but, occasionally, in private cars) particularly for those deemed especially vulnerable.

Provision of practical advice and support where requested, and referral to relevant professional bodies.

Enabling an appropriate response to the many varied situations that occur during the patrol hours on the streets of Basingstoke. For example, enabling the police to deal with the matters they need to, whilst still providing care and support to people as they enjoy their evenings out and find their way home.

Additionally, practical assistance is given to those in need of water, protective footwear (flip-flops in lieu of heels or bare feet) and foil blankets to those who become cold. On some occasions, a "Safe-Hub" is staffed to provide a place of respite and safety, as well as for the administering of first aid and care.

Additional information: Funds, investments and contributions by volunteers

All funds except petty cash are held with the nominated bank

Volunteers and those assisted on the street may make donations, but this is not required.

BSP make no general grants as part of their operation.

Section D

Achievements and performance during the period being reported

It should be noted that, along with so many other Charitable and other Organisations, 2020 has been a difficult year for Basingstoke Street Pastors in terms of both funding and operations. Night-time patrols were rendered difficult or impossible through the lock-downs and restrictions placed on organisations, venues and the general public by HMG. The following information should therefore be read as being atypical of a "normal" 12 month period.

No Safe Hub was operated during this reporting period due largely to Covid-19 restrictions and the need for Safety and Social Distancing.

Consolidated statistics for January 1st – December 31st 2020

Street Pastors (January - December 2020)											
	No. of Street Pastors out	Calming Aggressive	Supporting Vulnerable	Flip flops	Water & Hot Drinks	Wet wipes	First Aid	Safety Blanket	Pick up bottles/glass	Transport	Notes
January 2020	33	7	10	10	58	3	5	2	101	1	
February 2020	30	9	27	23	32	11	8	5	69	1	
March 2020	13	3	8	4	28	1	2	5	42	0	Patrols stopped after 14th March due to COVID-19
April 2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No Patrols due to COVID-19
May 2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No Patrols due to COVID-19
June 2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No Patrols due to COVID-19
July 2020	15	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	25	0	Light touch Saturday patrols only due to COVID-19
August 2020	15	0	2	7	9	1	0	0	51	0	Light touch Saturday patrols only due to COVID-20
September 2020	7	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	5	0	Light touch Saturday patrols only due to COVID-21
October 2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No Patrols due to COVID-19
November 2020	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	No Patrols due to COVID-19
December 2020	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	Only 2 light touch patrols due to COVID-19
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Section E

Financial review

Charity Reserve Policy:

The Charity has a policy of maintaining a reserve that allows for approximately 6 months of operations, and that in turn equates to £2500 under current conditions.

Funds materially in deficit:

None

Further financial review details:

This report covers the first “normal” 12 month accounting period but, since this period was heavily impacted by the COVID-19 restrictions in terms of operations and finances, comparisons with previous and any subsequent reports should be made with care.

The Charity receives the majority of its funding from grant assistance, most notably during this reporting period from the Police and Crime Commissioner for Hampshire and the Isle of Wight who understands the valuable contribution made by BSP in lowering the level and “temperature” of (potential) issues and disputes so that the Police may themselves concentrate on the key or priority issues that arise. Funding is also available from the various churches involved across and around Basingstoke whose members are involved in BSP.

Members of the public occasionally make donations by way of thanks for assistance given to themselves or relatives and these donations are added to the general funds.

Expenditure primarily comprises items of uniform, plus flip-flops, water, foil blankets, etc., plus a Licence Fee to the Ascension Trust, a contribution to the running costs of utilising the United Reformed Church buildings as a focal and meeting point for the Charity to undertake its core role and payment of a part-time administrator. During this period, the United Reformed Church Buildings were rendered unavailable for a large portion of the period, due to COVID -19 restrictions, and alternative facilities were temporarily set up within Basingstoke Community Church’s facilities at the Sarum Hill Centre close by.

None of the expenditure in the year has resulted in the acquisition of any items considered to have an asset value.

Section F

Other optional information

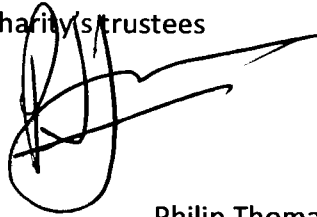
Basingstoke Street Pastors (The Charity) acknowledge the fact that what has been and is being achieved would not be possible without the dedicated core of volunteers who undergo 40 hours training as part of their induction, and then give up around 7 hours every month to provide support and practical assistance to members of the public.

Section G Declaration

The trustees declare that they have approved the trustees' report above.

Signed on behalf of the charity's trustees

Signature(s)



Full name(s)

Philip Thomas



Paul Gibbons

Position

Chair

Treasurer

Date:

15/7/21

23/8/21

Examined accounts for the period follow.



CHARITY COMMISSION
FOR ENGLAND AND WALES

Basingstoke Street Pastors

1179124

Receipts and payments accounts

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For the period
from

1st January
2020

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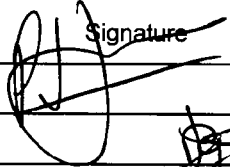
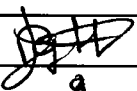
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Section A Receipts and payments

	Unrestricted funds	Restricted funds	Endowment funds	Total funds	Last year
	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £	to the nearest £
A1 Receipts					
Grant income	4,133	-	-	4,133	5,000
Donations	382	-	-	382	3,168
Interest received	6	-	-	6	31
Contributions to uniform cost	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total (Gross income for AR)	4,521	-	-	4,521	8,199
A2 Asset and investment sales, (see table).					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total receipts	4,521	-	-	4,521	8,199
A3 Payments					
Licence fees	102	-	-	102	1,930
Staff costs	3,571	-	-	3,571	6,898
Function costs	466	-	-	466	77
Supplies for street use	-	-	-	-	100
Use of premises	-	-	-	-	-
Annual insurance fees	349	-	-	349	2,439
Donation - St Johns ambulance	-	-	-	-	766
Gratuity	114	-	-	114	301
Stationary & misc	283	-	-	283	498
Training & conferences	1,263	-	-	1,263	564
Uniform costs	78	-	-	78	730
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	6,226	-	-	6,226	14,303
A4 Asset and investment purchases, (see table)					
	-	-	-	-	-
	-	-	-	-	-
Sub total	-	-	-	-	-
Total payments	6,226	-	-	6,226	14,303
Net of receipts/(payments)	1,705	-	-	1,705	6,104
A5 Transfers between funds	-	-	-	-	-
A6 Cash funds last year end	10,927	-	-	10,927	-
Cash funds this year end	9,222	-	-	9,222	6,104

Section B Statement of assets and liabilities at the end of the period

Categories	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
B1 Cash funds	Current account	3,319	-	-
	Deposit account	5,903	-	-
		-	-	-
	Total cash funds	9,222	-	-
	(agree balances with receipts and payments account(s))	OK	OK	OK
B2 Other monetary assets	Details	Unrestricted funds to nearest £	Restricted funds to nearest £	Endowment funds to nearest £
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
		-	-	-
B3 Investment assets	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B4 Assets retained for the charity's own use	Details	Fund to which asset belongs	Cost (optional)	Current value (optional)
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
			-	-
B5 Liabilities	Details	Fund to which liability relates	Amount due (optional)	When due (optional)
			-	
			-	
			-	
			-	

Signed by one or two trustees on behalf of all the trustees	Signature	Print Name	Date of approval
		P. J. THOMAS	15/7/21
		P. J. GIBBONS	23/8/21

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Section A

Independent Examiner's Report

Report to the trustees/
members of

Basingstoke Street Pastors

On accounts for the year
ended

31st December 2020

Charity no
(if any)

1179124

Set out on pages

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I report to the trustees on my examination of the accounts of the above charity ("the Trust") for the year ended 31/12/2020.

Responsibilities and
basis of report

As the charity trustees of the Trust, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 ("the Act").

I report in respect of my examination of the Trust's accounts carried out under section 145 of the 2011 Act and in carrying out my examination, I have followed the applicable Directions given by the Charity Commission under section 145(5)(b) of the Act.

Independent
examiner's statement

I have completed my examination. I confirm that no material matters have come to my attention (other than that disclosed below *) in connection with the examination which gives me cause to believe that in, any material respect:

- accounting records were not kept in accordance with section 130 of the Act or
- the accounts do not accord with the accounting records

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

** Please delete the words in the brackets if they do not apply.*

Signed:

Date:

15th June 2021

Name:

Patrick Murphy

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

Retired Chartered Accountant

Address:

Holly Tree Cottage

Cufaudd Lane Bramley

Hants RG26 5DL

Only complete if the examiner needs to highlight 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.

No extra items require disclosure