

Street Ministries Annual Report

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Section A: Reference and admin details

Charity Name; Street Ministries Belfast

Registered Charity Number with HMRC:

Charity Number with Charity Commission: 108423

Address: 140 Great Victoria Street, BT2 7DL

Board members and roles:

- 1 Justin McMinn - Chair
- 2 Ivor Reid – Treasurer
- 3 Victoria McMinn – Secretary
- 4 Mehrshad Esfandiari – Trustee



Section B: Structure, governance and management

Type of governing document: Constitution.

Partners: Street Soccer NI, Outside IN, St Martin's Church, Salvation Army

Personnel;

Full time employees: none

Part Time staff: 1

Volunteers: 10

Section C: Objectives and Activities

Key Purposes of the Organisation:

1. To tackle homelessness in Belfast and across NI
2. To support people to access emergency accommodation such as hotels, backpackers hostels
3. To support people to access temporary accommodation such as hostels, including paying for move in fees

4. To support people with food, electric, gas, clothes etc to prevent people from becoming homeless
5. To support people to enter rehab to overcome addiction
6. To support people to enter employment or education
7. To run street outreach in Belfast city centre offering support to street homeless etc
8. To run a weekly soup kitchen at our building where we can offer 1-1 support
9. To offer weekly bible studies, pastoral support and support to access a church community

Main activities over the past year:

1: New Building: we moved into a new building at Shaftesbury Square, a large building in partnership with Street Soccer NI. We have our own shop for doing outreach and a large room for doing bible classes.

2. New projects: we accessed funding for our foodbank from a Tesco grant £1500. Street Soccer staff distributed the food daily to homeless clients and people need.

3: Activities; We moved our weekly outreach to the new building outside the shop on Friday nights setting up a table offering tea, coffee, snacks and clothing. We also continued to run our weekly bible study from our office every week with different nationalities attending including Iran and El Salvador. We also hosted some group meals inviting others from the community to attend.

4: Funding support for accessing hostels – We supported around people to enter a homeless hostel and pay for their £40-50 deposit to enter. These people were referred from the NIHE mainly who couldn't find any other organisation to assist with this. This will be an ongoing project as the need is huge and no other organisation seems to support with this.

5. Funding Income: Tesco grant £1500 for our foodbank. Benefact Trust £27,000 for 3 years with £11,000 for year 1. This will help fund staff, equipment, activities and more.

6. Fundraising: We Received around £3000 from bucket collections at Tesco and we also received a number of donations from churches and individuals. 5 people continued to give monthly through our Local Giving website.

7. Marketing: We got a second pop up sign made to promote ourselves at events, fundraisers and also for our street outreach. We also made some leaflets showcasing our work and how people can partner with us.

Section D Achievements and performance:

- We employed our first employee in February who will assist with running bibles studies and weekly outreach, the Benefact Trust Funding will help towards this
- We built partnerships with Outside In, Salvation Army, St Martin's Church and Street Soccer NI, Hosford Homeless Hostel, Bangor Presbyterian Church

- Supported around 10 people to access temporary accommodation (hostels) or crash facilities.
- Supported one person to access money towards first month's rent for private rental
- Held bible studies most weeks throughout the year and hosted a few Sunday night meetings in partnership with St Martin's church.
- Along with Street Soccer we supported over 200 people with food.
- Accessed clothes, hats, socks and gloves from Outside In to give out to those in need.

Section E Challenges and Risk

- Funding rent of the building or if the landlord decides to ask us to leave
- Applying for grants to cover activities
- Recruiting more volunteers to help with soup kitchen and outreach
- Organising fundraisers to cover expenses that grants don't cover
- Engaging with people with addictions or mental health issues that could cause a risk to volunteers or damage to building
- Starting up new projects and making them successful
- Governance risks such as polices

Section F Financial Review

- This is our 3rd year of our accounts and they were audited by an independent accountant
- The financial activity of the Charity this is healthy and we don't have any debt

Section G Declaration:

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

Signed on behalf of the charity's board member:

Signature: Justin McMinn

Name: Justin McMinn

Position: Chair

Date: 17/11/25

