



RISK ASSESSMENT / ACTIVITY STREET PASTORS and PRAY PASTORS NIGHT-TIME ACTIVITIES	Canterbury Street Pastors
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COMPLETED BY: Andrew Pantling & Liz Jenkins		OTHER RISK ASSESSMENTS TO BE REFERRED TO: Also, to be read in conjunction with other relevant risk assessments, as appropriate. *Should be reviewed with reference to changes in government guidance re COVID 19
DATE COMPLETED: September 2020	NEXT REVIEW DATE: September 2021*	

The points in bold are the enhanced risk assessment for during COVID 19 and based on Government Guidelines and information gathered from Police, Community Safety Unit, Ascension Trust, First Aid trainer and CSP volunteers.

This risk assessment covers all foreseeable hazards occurring during a Street Pastors patrol and the activities of the Prayer pastors, but should not be considered definitive. Senior Street Pastors should also carry out their own risk assessment for the specific circumstances of their patrol, taking particular heed of any information passed to them either by the CCTV Operators or the Police Duty Officer.

The safety of the team is of primary importance and all decisions and assessments should be made with this in mind, especially at this time.

STAY SAFE - THINK: 2m social distancing, FACE, HANDS, SPACE

Potential Hazard	Who might be harmed and How?	What are you already doing?	Do you need to do anything else to control this risk?	Action by who	Action by when	Done
Environment						

Weather extremes	<p>Street Pastor Patrol.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ill effects of cold or heat, • Slip hazard. • Injury due to dangerous road conditions on returning home. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Street Pastor (SP) trained on how to respond to extreme weather conditions • Appropriate uniform/footwear Monitoring of weather conditions and effect on walkways, pavements and team members by Senior. • Water made available for hot conditions. 	<p>Create extreme weather procedure sheet to brief Senior Street Pastors (SSP).</p>	Coordinator	8.10.20	Done
<p>Trip and Slip: Doorways, pavements, Kerbs, cobbles, inspection covers uneven surfaces, poor lighting.</p>	<p>Street Pastor Patrol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical injury as a consequence of a fall due to tripping or slipping 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance issued to SP on the use of appropriate footwear during initial training • Torches • Reporting of hazards to appropriate authorities. 	Buy New Torches	coordinator	8.10.20	Done
<p>Injury from, glass, cans, hypodermic needles, sharp implements and knives</p>	<p>Street Pastor Patrol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Physical injury as a consequence of handling/stepping on sharp objects 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance issued to SP on the use of appropriate footwear during initial training on handling sharp objects. 	<p>Include tetanus advice in initial training</p>	Coordinator	Oct. 20	Done

		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Provision of protective(Kevlar?) gloves and dustpan and sharps box. • Wearing of appropriate footwear. • All SP advised to keep Tetanus updated. • Reporting of injuries and/or incidents to Street Pastor Coordinator (SPC) via accident/injury book 				
Presence of Firearm and/or Knives	Street Pastor Patrol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unintentional/ intentionally injury due to the presence of a firearm and/or knives and sharp implements. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Guidance issued to SP on dealing with a firearms/knives incident and/or firearms/knives discovery during initial training. • Reporting of injuries and/or incidents to SPC via accident/injury form • Access to 'Knife Sheaf' in SP back pack 	Purchase Knife Sheaf	Coordinator	01.11.20	

<p>Presence of Motor Vehicles</p>	<p>Street Pastor Patrol</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injured by motor vehicle(s) when carrying out duties in the road and on part-time pedestrian areas. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP trained in road / personal safety. SP to wear uniform with reflective markings. Reflective covers for bags Team look out for each other in vulnerable situations. SSP to be aware of the location and ensure the physical safety of the Patrol Reporting of injuries and/or incidents to SP coordinator via accident/injury form 	<p>Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings</p> <p>Purchase Reflective covers for bags</p>	<p>Coordinator</p>	<p>Nov 20</p>	
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Presence of aggressive Dogs	Street Pastor Patrol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injury from bites and scratches. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Guidance issued via initial training to SP on dealing with aggressive or potentially dangerous animals. Reporting of injuries and/or incidents to SPC via accident/injury form 				
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Traumatic Incident	Street Pastor Patrol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Experience lasting psychological injury as a consequence of observing and/or participating in a traumatic incident 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> De-brief at end of night led by SSP, Follow-up by SP Coordinator, Referral to appropriate services if requested or advised. For ongoing challenges SP advised to seek help from GP. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings. Coordinator to explore advice from Ascension Trust Collate a list of qualified counsellors willing to give support. 	Coordinator	Nov 20	
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People

<p>Change in Health and wellbeing</p>	<p>Street Pastors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased risk due to change in their health, • The health of another Street Pastor or the health of an unborn child. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP should notify the SPC in the case of a change in their health that might affect their ability to Patrol. • In the case of pregnancy, the SP to seek advice from their doctor before continuing to Patrol. • SSP to make appropriate adjustments to the patrol in the light of a change in wellbeing during the night. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure everyone is aware of this in initial training. • Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings 	<p>Coordinator</p>	<p>Oct 20</p>	
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<p>Presence of Aggressive/violent Behaviour</p>	<p>Street Pastors and/or Clients</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injured Intentionally /unintentionally by the actions of aggressive/violent individuals. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP trained on how to respond to aggressive behaviour during initial training. • SSP to be aware and monitor potentially aggressive situations. 	<p>Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings</p>	<p>Coordinator</p>	<p>Oct 20</p>	
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		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SSP to remove the team to safety 				
SP on patrol witnessing a crime	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical intervention could lead to assault on SPs 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPs are not to make attempts to detain the suspect or prevent their escape. Team leader should ensure monitoring of the suspect, crime or offender shall take place at a safe distance (minimum of 30 feet/10m) or remove the team to safety. SSP to ensure CCTV Control and Police are advised of the situation. 	<p>Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings</p>	Coordinator	Oct 20	
Misuse in deployment of SPs	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SPs being placed in roles or positions outside of their remit which increase the risks to their safety 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SSP must ensure that neither CCTV Control nor Police attempt to send the team to a high-risk area. The team leader decides where the team will patrol. SPs are not another 'deployable force' and the team leader is to decide whether to curtail his team's current activity and move to an incident, if requested. 	<p>Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings</p>	Coordinator	Oct 20	

<p>Inappropriate application of First Aid</p>	<p>Street Pastor or Client</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> injured or injury exacerbated due to the incorrect administration of first aid 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Only SP who have completed First Aid to administer First Aid. Any incidents requiring first aid recorded on the 'Night End Sheet' by SSP. Ambulance called if required. Prior to initial contact, team leader to assess team safety, including social distancing of 2m and the wearing of facemasks and gloves Team leader to assess First Aid requirements, maintain social distancing of 2m, wear facemask and gloves and call 999 if needed. Team leader to ensure that hands on First Aid treatment is minimised. Affected people to clean own 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Keep up to date records of SP who have completed First Aid training. Include in Senior Training and regular senior meetings 	<p>Coordinator</p>	<p>Oct 20</p>	
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		<p>cuts and apply own plasters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Team leader to ensure no rescue breaths are given during CPR 				
Injury due to Manual Handling	<p>Street Pastor and/or Client</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Injury risk due to moving another person 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SP trained about appropriate movement of another person. • Manual Handling Training 	<p>Ensure everyone is advised about the risk when handling a client in initial training.</p>	Coordinator	Oct 20	
Contracting communicable disease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Risk to SPs of contracting a communicable disease – for example COVID 19, HIV, hepatitis, 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Close contact to be avoided where possible. Observe the 2m social distancing requirement. • SPs to use facemask, gloves and hand sanitiser as necessary • Team leader to report all accidents and injuries /incidents to the Coordinator. • Avoiding Groups or creating groups of over 6 people • Avoid touching face 	<p>Updates to SP and SSP on changes to government guidance via COVID Briefing Sheet</p>	Coordinator	Ongoing	

Disregarding safeguarding procedures	Street Pastor and/or Client <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical and/or psychological injury. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SP trained in appropriate safeguarding procedures when working with vulnerable adults and children at initial training. SSP assess situation for vulnerability due to gender or age of client. All SP to complete and update a DBS check DBS to be renewed every 3 years 	Ensure that Patrols have a Gender and experience mix.	Coordinator	Ongoing	
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Communications

Phones Failure	Street Pastors or Prayer Pastors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At risk of physical/psychological harm due to failure of communication. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Phones checked and charged before use. Any failure reported to SP coordinator, Phone Communication checked. Exchanged personal mobile phone numbers within the team. 	Include in Senior Training and review in regular senior meetings	Coordinator	Oct 20	
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Radio Failure	Street Pastors or Prayer Pastors <ul style="list-style-type: none"> At risk of physical/psychological harm due to 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Radio checked and charged before use. CCTV contact at beginning and end of each shift. 	Telephone number of CCTV Control is available to team in Night patrol File.	Coordinator	Oct 20	Done
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Unavailability of Emergency Contact details	<p>Street Pastors or Prayer Pastors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Physical/psychological harm due to unable to contact next of kin in the event of a change in well-being and/or injury 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Emergency Contact details for Street and Prayer Pastors are kept in a 'strictly confidential' file in locked cupboard and or operations box for emergency use. Every street pastor to include an ICE on mobile phone 	Contact information regularly updated.	Coordinator & Prayer Coordinator	Oct 20	
Inadequate Preparation for Patrol	SPs safety at risk due to inappropriate or inadequate briefing by team leader (Covid secure patrolling)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Coordinator to ensure full supply of equipment SSP to check community supplies do not include lollipop and/or other foodstuffs Water to be distributed following government guidance-using gloves and anti-bac wipes maintaining appropriate social distance SSP to check all SPs are carrying 	<p>Guidance updated as advice from AT and government Changes</p> <p>Include in Senior Training and regular senior meetings</p>	Coordinator	Ongoing	

		<p>facemask, gloves and hand sanitiser.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Team leader to remind all SPs that social distancing of 2m where possible. 1m+ to be maintained in all circumstances. ● SPs to wear facemasks either on the face or under the chin so that they can be placed over the nose and mouth quickly ● Any SP can choose to wear the facemask and gloves at any time. ● All SPs to use their facemask and gloves when the team leader requests this. ● SPs to use hand sanitiser regularly ● SPs to change gloves as necessary ● PPs to be in contact with one another over Zoom. ● One PP to be in contact with SPs over the radio or mobile phone ● One PP to complete the prayer report ● SSP to complete the end of night report ● Team leader to ensure that a second team member is nominated during the patrol briefing, to take responsibility for the team 				
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		<p>should he/she is incapacitated.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Patrol to be constituted a minimum of three SP including Senior 				
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Building

Injury due to Fire	<p>Street Pastors or Prayer Pastors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Trapped by Fire 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Phone link always available. ● Awareness of escape routes, Fire Extinguishers and Fire Alarm. ● SSP to draw SP and PP Teams attention to these procedures 	<p>Ensure everyone aware of procedure and any changes in procedure in case of fire during initial training.</p> <p>Include in Senior Training and regular senior meetings</p>	Coordinator	Oct 20	
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Threat of harm due Unauthorised entry of building	<p>Street Pastors and Prayer Pastors</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Risk of injury due to unauthorised entry to the building. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● External doors always kept locked. ● SSP to radio/phone call return before entering building. 				
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Threat of harm due to presence of clients in the building	Street Pastor and Prayer Pastor <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Safeguarding risks Risk to personal possessions and property 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Client to remain downstairs and in the presence of at least two of the team. Male and female present. 	Ensure all aware of this procedure at initial training Include in Senior Training and regular senior meetings	Coordinator	Oct 20	
Damage or Shortfalls in the building	Street Pastors, Prayer Pastors and Building Users. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Injury due to damage or shortfall in the building. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Faults, damage or shortfalls should be notified to the Coordinator as soon as possible by the SSP on duty. 				
Threat of harm due to Covid insecure environment	Risk of contracting COVID 19	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Venue Covid risk assessment available 	Obtain Covid risk assessment	Coordinator	Oct 20	

Signature of Assessor Name & Appt: Andrew Pantling SP Coordinator Date: October 2020	Accepted by Canterbury Street Pastor Charity Trustees Signed on behalf of trustees by chairperson Signature..... Name..... Date.....
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