

GSP good news & significant interventions Sep/Oct 2017

Saturday 2nd September – helped a young student who had fallen outside ATIK and banged his head on the wall. He had a friend with him who was trying to help. The police intervened and called an ambulance as he needed to go to hospital. 6 pairs of flip flops and 7 bottles of water were given out and 18 bottles/glass cleared away. Lots of compliments.

Email from grateful punter.

'A huge thank you to the street pastors who kindly gave my two friends some flip flops to help them get home safely. Such a kind gesture, especially since they refused my offer of some money to compensate them. Truly remarkable people.

My friends and I were out on Saturday night and the kind lady who gave us the flip flops was outside Liquid nightclub on Eastgate Street at around 2.30am.

Keep up the good work, it truly is a great job you all do!'

Saturday 9th September – Waited with a very drunk young lady whilst her friend went back into ATIK to find her house keys. A generally calm and peaceful atmosphere. 9 pairs of flip flops and 10 bottles of water were given out and 21 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 16th September – A young man was staggering out of control. We realised he had a needle in his hand and warned passers-by to stay away from him. We phoned 101 and CCTV & police advised. We later found him slumped in a doorway and left him to come round. We helped a man who had fallen into the bushes by Fever. We waited until his date came. We prayed over an aggressive situation outside ATIK and also chatted with a man who had been to GRH having attempted suicide. 3 pairs of flip flops and 10 bottles of water were given out and 40 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 23rd September – Called by CCTV to attend a male who had fallen and suffered slight concussion. The ambulance had been called but he needed support whilst waiting. He had a medical condition which was affecting his speech. We remained with him until an ambulance arrived. We also supported 3 disabled night club patrons. One was very drunk and became agitated so we called for assistance as he was unable to go home by taxi. The police van arrived and took him home. One wheelchair user was escorted back to the hotel he was staying in by an old carer. We escorted the other wheelchair user back to the Quays where he was staying as we were worried his battery wouldn't last the journey. 10 pairs of flip flops and 14 bottles of water were given out and 23 bottles/glass cleared away.

Friday 29th September – The Regal asked for our assistance at around 1am. We attended to a young woman who was passing out. Her friend was with her. After 20mins we moved her back into the Regal whilst waiting for an ambulance which arrived at about 2.15am. 1 pair of flip flops and 4 bottles of water were given out and a record 125 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 30th September – Fairly quiet night as it was raining steadily. We had a £10 donation as a thankyou for a pair of flip flops. 5 pairs of flip flops and 14 bottles of water were given out and 20 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 7th October – Generally peaceful night. We had some brief conversations. Everyone very grateful and respectful of all we do as Street Pastors. 13 pairs of flip flops and 4 bottles of water were given out and 25 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 14th October – The first shift was fairly busy with groups of young males & females. We escorted a female from New Inn to Eastgate Street. We stayed with a very drunk young girl outside the bus station until a friend came and collected her. On the second shift we attended a female who had been attacked and pushed resulting in a cut finger. Her friend called the police and we gave her wipes & a plaster. 3 pairs of flip flops and 3 bottles of water were given out and 21 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 21st October – We saw a few aggressive incidents which then dispersed. We had couple of good conversations. 7 pairs of flip flops and 9 bottles of water were given out and 34 bottles/glass cleared away.

Friday 27th October – A fairly quiet night. We had one good conversation. 8 pairs of flip flops, 6 bottles of water and 1 safety blanket were given out and 16 bottles/glass cleared away.

Saturday 28th October – There were 2 drunken girls with friends. One of the friends persuaded a taxi to come and pick them up. A good feel on the streets tonight although it was fairly busy. We had several good conversations. 6 pairs of flip flops and 3 bottles of water were given out and 12 bottles/glass cleared away.