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# In the Streets Of Leicester

The weather of the past few weeks has confused us into thinking Summer is here!! The Street Pastors have welcomed the warmer conditions but, as you might expect, more people have ventured out to enjoy the nightlife of Leicester. The World Cup as also had crowds flooding to enjoy watching football together. On one patrol alone the Street Pastors picked up over 400 bottles. There were more but there was nowhere else to put them!! Generally the atmosphere was cheery and good tempered.



We are thankful to welcome 3 new trainees since March and we are hopeful they will be out on patrol later in the year.

# The Work we have done in May and June

May was a relatively quiet month. We supported a girl who was assaulted in the City. Our patrol stayed with her until the emergency services could attend. We also had some interesting talks with the Police in the city and we continue to build useful relationships.

We: Collected **154 glasses/ bottles**Had **85** conversations/interactions
Supported **9** vulnerable people
Explained to **24** individuals our role
Helped **58** people in a practical way
Gave **82** volunteer hours

June saw us working hard to support people in and around the city. We defused an argument between 2 men which had got out of control. Provided First Aid to someone in need and accompanied someone to A&E. We also sat with a young man who was semi-conscious until he was well enough to get in a taxi and stopped a young man taking an overdose

We: collected **332** glasses/ bottles
Had **138** conversations/interactions
Supported **10** vulnerable people
Explained to **18** individuals our role
Helped **18** people in a practical way
Gave **107** volunteer hours

## The story of Leicester

In May we conducted another commissioning of a trained Street Pastor. The team joined the congregation at Holy Trinity and took part in a vibrant meeting with Para sliding action men! Russ led a section of the service that welcomed David to the Street Pastor team. Later in July we will be commissioning a new Street Pastor who has been coming out with us since the beginning of the year. It is a real privilege to have the opportunity to visit different churches and share what we do. We are thankful for the support the Churches who send volunteers to work with us.

May saw the first meeting of our new Management committee where we elected new officers. We are pleased to announce:



Russ Bentley as our Chair, Julie Tregoning as Vice Chair and Treasurer. The committee is looking forward to developing the Street

## **Prayers**

We continue to ask for your prayers for new volunteers. We feel your prayers are working as we have hade 3 new volunteers since March but we need more. We would also like to offer the opportunity to support us. We recognise that going out onto the streets of Leicester is not something everyone is called to but perhaps you are called to pray for us. We would like to set up a Prayer Pastor Team who is dedicated to praying for the patrols that go out every weekend. How this may work is open to discussion so if you think this maybe something you could do;

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