

Minutes of Market Harborough Street Pastors Annual General Meeting The Old Grammar School, 21st April 2011 at 7.30pm

Present:

Street Pastors: Philip Jones (Chair), Revd James Shakespeare (Acting Co-ordinator), Revd Jonnie Parkin, Mel Parkin, Linda Lake, Joe Shrigley, Sue Thompson, Anita Kelly, John Pearse, Mandy Gays, Phil Piggott, Mary Anderson, Peter Arnold, Andrea Kenney.

Other Partners: (The Police) Inspector Neal Holland, Sergeant Peter Jelbert, (Churches Together Forum) Revd Suzanne Nockels, John Stride, (The Bower House) Chris Hodgson, (The Bowdens' Charity) Mark Stamp, Guy Hartropp.

Apologies: Marie Hill, Steve & Angela Salmen, Charlie Ford, Liz Howe, Jeannie Brightwell, Jacqui Wright.

The meeting began with prayer, led by Linda Lake.

1. Administrator's Report

The Acting Co-ordinator gave a full progress report (see copy attached to minutes), highlighting progress of consolidation over the last 12 months, statistics 'out on the street', training, partnerships & two awards heralding recognition of the value of the work: the 'Involved' award and 'Pride in Harborough' award. He spoke of 3 major strategic challenges for the next year:

- Sustainable funding streams
- Further volunteers and prayer supports
- Further enhancing local profile, to enable ongoing development of service

2. Treasurer's Report

The Treasurer was not able to be present, but the Chair presented (on her behalf) a summary financial statement for the last year. An explanation was given of the main costs involved, which consist of training and uniform costs, as well as administration. Expenditure continues to exceed income, and further new regular funding needed to be sought.

3. Chair's Report

See copy of Chair's Report (attached to minutes), reporting on business of the Board, including the preparing of a new Constitution, overseeing finance, personnel, and policy. He reported that one or two members of the Board were to step down, and new members would be welcomed. He reiterated key challenges of volunteers and finance. He expressed gratitude to the Bowdens' Charity for their generous grant of £1,000 per year over 3 years, as well as the support of the ENIGMA Café & Night Club. The Chair also expressed thanks to all Street Pastors and other partners for their active work and support.

4. Business

- Adoption of Constitution formally.**
- Management Board.** The present Board were formally retired, and the following members re-elected: Philip Jones as Chair, Andrea Kenney as New Treasurer, James Shakespeare (Acting Co-ordinator) Marie Hill, Linda Lake, Jacqui Wright, Peter Arnold. Charlie Ford & Phil Piggott, as well as Jonnie & Mel Parkin, thanked for their work.
- It was proposed and seconded that Andrea Kenney, as Treasurer, becomes a signatory of the bank account (carried).

5. Presentations:

- Mark Stamp and Guy Hartropp presented the Chair of Street Pastors with their first grant cheque from the Bowdens' Charity.
- Philip Jones, Chair, presented farewell gifts and gave a vote of thanks to Revd Jonnie and Mel Parkin, on the eve of their departure for Lincoln. Both had been central to the genesis of Street Pastors in Market Harborough and the secure establishment of the initiative.

The meeting closed with prayer, led by Phil Piggott.