

Minutes of Market Harborough Street Pastors Annual General Meeting The Old Grammar School, 22nd April 2013 at 7.30pm

Present:

Street Pastors: Philip Jones (Chair), Angela Zemplak (Administrator), Andrea Kenney (Treasurer), Peter Arnold (Prayer Team leader), Revd James Shakespeare (Chaplain to Street Pastors), John Pearse, Rose Williams, Mandy Gays, Jeannie Brightwell, Jacqui Wright, Linda Lake, John Tebbutt, Angela Salmen, Steve Salmen, Joe Shrigley, Liz Howe, Louise Petheram, Sally Duke

Partners: Margaret Jackson (St Mary's Lutterworth), Rev Brian Kennard (Methodist), Lindy Kendell and Wendy Osborne (Baptist)

Friends: Lorimer Fink

Philip welcomed everyone to the meeting and in particular our partners from St Mary's Church Lutterworth, Market Harborough Baptist Church and Market Harborough Methodist Church.

The meeting began with prayer, led by the Street Pastor Chaplain, Rev James Shakespeare.

Most people had received the reports prior to the evening and all had access to copies prior to the meeting commencing, so none were read out in full.

1. Apologies

Christine Hodgson and Jadz Bower (The Bower House), Michael and Margaret Bowers (Salvation Army), Maureen O'Malley (VASL), John Everett (HDC), Jean Molcher (HYACT), Rachael Gledhill, Phil and Tracy Harrison, Doreen Cole, Jenny Porthouse, Sue Andrew, Jonathan Walpole

2. Minutes of the last Meeting

The minutes of the last AGM held on Monday 23 April 2012 were accepted by those who had attended and signed by the Chair.

3. Administrator's Report

Angela's report is attached. Angela expressed her thanks to the team for their support and re-iterated that through meeting with our partners we are developing good relationships with the HDC, the local Police unit and the CCTV team.

Angela was thanked for her hard work during 2012.

4. Treasurer's Report

The Financial report is attached. Philip stated that the £1,000 we had received in 2012 from the Harborough and Bowden Charity was listed under Church donations in 2011. We have just received the £1,000 for 2013 but that would be the last payment. John Bush had audited the accounts on our behalf.

Future funding will be discussed during the open forum to follow the AGM. There were no questions and the accounts were accepted.

On behalf of the Street Pastors, Andrea was thanked for her work as Treasurer.

5. Prayer Support Team Report

Peter's report is attached. Peter was asked as Leader of the Prayer Support team how people were recruited. He stated that this was mainly by word of mouth within the churches and occasionally as a result of talks or events at a church group. We are very fortunate to have enough to cover every evening the SPs are on patrol but more would always be welcomed.

Philip thanked Peter for his hard work in encouraging the Prayer Support Team and producing the rota.

6. Chair's Report

Philip's report is attached. Philip stated that he is heartened by our progress our ability to change our hours in response to the much quieter streets and the atmosphere which has changed in the last two years. He is grateful for the support received from the Police and the District Council and thanked John Everett for nominating us as his charity during his tenure as Chair of HDC.

Philip thanked the Management Board for their hard work, the Street Pastors for their time and commitment and the Prayer Support Team for their encouragement in Prayer and for the refreshments.

7. Election of Management Board

None of the board had reached the end of a three year term so would continue for 2013. There was one vacancy and although no-one offered to stand at the meeting, it was emphasised that the main involvement was to attend up to 6 meetings a year of about 1 ½ hours. If any member of the Street Pastor Team would like to consider this role they should contact Philip.

Membership of the Board is now:

Philip Jones (Chair)
Andrea Kenney (Treasurer)
Jacqui Wright
James Shakespeare (Chaplain)
Linda Lake
Peter Arnold

8. Message from John Everett, Chair of HDC

Unfortunately, John had a Council commitment tonight and his wife Geraldine had not been able to attend either as his representative.

There was no other business raised.

The meeting closed with prayer, led by Peter Arnold.