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Dear Roy

I wanted to write to personally thank you and your fellow Street Pastors for five years voluntary service to the people of Plymouth. This is a remarkable achievement on which we congratulate you all.

I know that Plymouth Police Officers really appreciate your assistance. Two notable recent incidents stand out; firstly about 6 months ago Pastors were the first to come across a male in the water at Drake Reservoir off North Hill. One of the pastors had managed to gain access and ensured this male was alive and helped pull him up on to the bank. Second, about a year ago Pastors came across a distressed female on North Hill being comforted by her boyfriend. She wouldn't disclose much apart from that a large group of males had sexually assaulted her. They immediately informed the Police and began to comfort her and establish a good rapport. The Police Sergeant attending commented on how effective the Pastors had been at communicating with the victim.

Whilst these two incidents represent only a small number of those that you have dealt with, they demonstrate the value of having Pastors on patrol in the city.

Thank you all once again, we look forward to continuing to work with you and to celebrating your fifth anniversary.

Yours sincerely,

Chief Inspector Drummond-Smith