Trustees for Portsmouth Street Pastors

We are a Christian charity, now in our 17th year in Portsmouth, and during this time, we have put out over 2000 patrols into the Night Time Economy of trained and uniformed volunteers who offer reassurance, safety and support by calming, listening and helping.



Our Street Pastors are able to offer practical help to people with all sorts of needs, with a rucksack that carries: basic first aid; sharps box; thermal blankets; bottled water; flip flops; phone charger; wet wipes; and very importantly, the lollipops that can be used to calm all sorts of situations! Street Pastors are easily recognisable with their blue uniform and cap and are also easily contacted by CCTV, Police or Door Safe Staff when needed.

We have also run School Pastors since 2017, serving in Charter Academy and Miltoncross Academy. We offer friendship, safety and care to both pupils and staff. We're there to listen to anybody and everybody.

You can read up more details about us on our website: Portsmouth Street Pastors

For the trustee role, we are ideally looking for someone with a financial or accounting background and any fundraising experience would be a bonus. However, any Christian with a love for our ministry will be considered gratefully.

If you want to find out more, then please contact Steve Macfarlane here or on 07929 466038.

The official requirements for trustees are:

Portsmouth Street Pastors is a charitable company with trustee/directors in overall responsibility and a coordinating group made up of volunteers who are concerned with day-to-day matters.

The following requirements are requested of any Trustee serving with Portsmouth Street Pastors:

- 1. To attend regular Trustee meetings, the frequency of which shall be decided by the Trustees. No more than three meetings in a row can be missed and apologies for absence should always be provided in advance of the meeting.
- 2. At least once a year, to accompany Street Pastor teams on the streets as an observer.
- 3. To adhere to the statement of faith/Christian ethos statement adopted by the Trustees of Portsmouth Street Pastors.
- 4. To adhere to any past decision taken by the Trustees, even if made before your term of office, unless the Trustees collectively decide to formally change that decision.

Collectively the Trustees hold the following responsibilities:

- 1. To take responsibility for the strategic direction and continuing future direction of Portsmouth Street Pastors.
- 2. To ensure legal compliance in all areas of Portsmouth Street Pastor's activity and holding the Coordinator and coordinating group accountable for their actions in all matters.
- 3. To approve, implement and oversee the budget, holding the Coordinator and coordinating group accountable for all financial matters.
- 4. To ensure Portsmouth Street Pastors remains debt free (in the black) in its continuing work, unless a loan or mortgage, etc is sought for particular purpose in which case, correct financial advice would be taken.
- 5. To appoint and oversee the Coordinator.
- 6. To appoint and oversee any other employed staff or delegate that responsibility to the Coordinator or another body.
- 7. To act as the link representative of Portsmouth Street Pastors to Ascension Trust (umbrella body for all Street Pastors) and to understand the strategy and direction of the Ascension Trust.