

Andover Street Pastors

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What is a Street Pastor?

- A street pastor is someone from a Christian Community who is there and willing to care, listen or help.
- Engaging with the night time economy.
- Trained to a high level
- Work in Partnership with police doorman etc.
- Provide Lollipops and flip flops!!!

How about Andover?

- Andover Street Pastors launched in December 2010.



How About Andover?

- 16 trained volunteers, coordinated by Bev Wadhams
- Out every Friday Night from 10 till Life night club Kicks out and all have got home.



How about Andover?

- Ongoing training programme of 12 day sessions from external agencies police, drugs workers, and mental Health team.
- New volunteers look to start second stream



A typical Friday night...

- **Young lad** very drunk and incoherent, laying on the pavement. Friends tried to walk him away but he was too drunk to walk. Sat him on bench gave him water. Two friends came over and one called his mum who came to pick him up.
- **The Doorman** whose **wife** had a baby 7 weeks ago who was 3 weeks premature.
- **The Doorman** whose **2 young kids** were suffering from *diarrhoea*
- The 5 or 6 **pole dancers** who came out to get lollipops and say hello
- **.Two girls**, one had a small box which she said was her home. She sold her flat today and has nowhere to live because landlords won't allow her to bring her dog. Wanted to know if we could help.
- **The guy** arrested in high street for having no tax on his car, car later taken away on lorry. Mates laughed at him..
- **The girl** we met before. Is having counselling but is at the end of herself. Says she felt better for talking to us.
- **The girl** who wanted a hug and her friend who lives in Spain for half the year.
- **The young couple** , both very excited about getting married next month. Had a car accident a year ago and she still has a problem with her leg.
- **The Taxi office lady** who called us her peacekeepers.

The Stats!

- Since Launch Andover street pastors has:
 - Talked to 1335 people
 - Helped calm 21 aggressive violent situations
 - Supported 23 vulnerable people
 - Found transport for 4 people
 - Given out 5 safety blankets
 - Handed out 99 pairs of Flip Flops



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