



Street Angels - Christian Nightlife Initiatives Annual General Meeting

Tuesday 23rd June, 6pm at St Peter's Church, Belper, DE56 1FD

Attendance: Trevor Bendrien (chair CNI Network and Halifax Street Angels)
 Steve Brock (vice chair CNI Network and Stockton Town Pastors)
 Martin Rowley (CNI Network Trustee)
 Andy Burns (CNI Network Trustee and Dundee Street / Club Chaplains)
 Gavin Rushton (placement from St John's Theological College)
 Nick Gee (Belper Street Angels)
 Julian Hodgson (Belper Street Angels)
 Paul Blakey MBE (CEO CNI Network)

Apologies: Sara Barrie (CNI Network Trustee)
 Rev. Andy Nicholson (Festival Angels)
 Derek Baker (Arun Street Angels, Bognor)
 Jean Blakey (CNI Network)

Item	Minute
2015AGM1	<p>Minutes and Matters Arising from 2014 AGM</p> <p>These were a true and accurate record of the meeting with no matters arising. Proposed by Steve Brock, seconded by Martin Rowley</p>
2015AGM2	<p>Chairs Report:</p> <p>Trevor Bendrien reported he is involved with four charities and generally you can tell by the finances how healthy they are. Halifax Street Angels, FGBMFI lack nothing, Halifax YMCA after years of struggle is now doing well - CNI Network is a puzzle as to why it is not bringing in finances. After prayer the idea of the thank you booklet was developed to help re-connect with the local projects. To become self-sustaining would take a small contribution from each project. The problem is that new steering group members do not recognise CNI Network and the help they gave when the project was setting up. The Festival and Club work are new expansions and are good to promote. Paul and Jean are visiting projects to thank</p>

	<p>volunteers and help re-connect. There is a National Conference in October which will bring together all the projects. The Festival Angels was another new experience for Trevor with 90,000 young people and cash, smartphones, etc handed in to Lost Property and this has helped restore his faith in young people. These 2 areas mark the year for CNI Network.</p> <p>Steve talked about the business plan and the recent donation from the Lempriere Pringle Trust Fund. Steve highlighted the need to encourage local projects to make a donation towards running costs and to honour the work of Paul and Jean. If each project donated £6 a week it would cover all our core costs.</p>
2015AGM3	<p>CEO's Report:</p> <p>This has been another exciting year for the life of CNI Network.</p> <p>The year started with our Northern conference in York which was an excellent day. We had people from projects all across the North of England and offered training and inspiration. It was great to see the 3 mobile support units from Blackpool, York and Stockton and see how the street work is developing to offer more within those communities.</p> <p>In May Trevor, Paul from Blackpool and myself attended the Street Pastors conference. This helped strengthen our links with Street Pastors especially in Manchester where the Street Angels and Street Pastors are now at work in different areas of the city centre.</p> <p>We have launched several new projects over the year and it is always good to be asked to speak at the launch event and meet our newest teams of volunteers. The investment we make into local communities is contributing to a cultural change in the UK as alcohol related crime and A&E admissions are reducing year on year. This is very much part of the CNI Network family story.</p> <p>Our work at Leeds Festival has become one of our major volunteering events of the year with 120 volunteers taking part over the 2014 Festival running Lost Property, a Prayer Cafe and detached teams. We launched the Festival Network as a way of supporting and resourcing work at music festivals, sporting events, etc and it was great to also visit Ladies Day at Beverley and see the Street Angels in action there and to hear of the outreach around Royal Ascot.</p> <p>The summer season in Magaluf attracted much media coverage and we also launched into the Seychelles. That we have a model of best practice that can</p>

easily be replicated around the world is one of the strengths of CNI Network and something I think we need to be promoting more moving forward.

In October we had an amazing time at Lambeth Palace with guests from the Home Office, Cabinet Office, friends and volunteers from across the country. After a tour of the Palace we enjoyed Afternoon Tea and also launched our Volunteers Are Amazing - Thank You booklets which Jean and myself are presenting to volunteers as we visit every project. It is great to reconnect with local projects and thank the volunteer teams first hand. This event also saw Jean join CNI as a paid employee and she has added a new dynamic to the work with some fresh ideas along with much needed admin/PA support.

Just in time for Christmas our book became a paperback - this is a great opportunity to get our story to a wider audience. Sales have gone well and we have received some really positive feedback around the book.

Also over Christmas we issued a press release around staying safe on Mad Friday which was picked up by several national newspapers and radio stations. Over the year CNI and local projects have continued to receive excellent media coverage on a wide range of topics and happenings.

Over the year I have spoken to 24 groups about our work - from ladies lunches to rotary, in churches and at conferences, including the South Coast Street Angels and Street Pastors gathering in October.

Much of the early part of 2015 was spent visiting projects - including Boro Angels, Uxbridge, Thanet, Aylesbury, Blackpool, Scarborough, Whitby, Norfolk, Camberley and one night where we did Aldershot, Woking, Guildford and Fleet within 5 hours!

One of the needs is for more volunteers so the year ended at Word Alive the first of several conferences we have exhibited at with an aim to raising the profile of CNI Network and linking people with local projects.

If you look at our Blog, Social Media or Newsletter you will, as I am, be amazed at all that is happening through our local projects. To see and read of the passion and commitment to local communities through street, club, youth and festival work and the heart of demonstrating God's Kingdom as a reality for the night-time community is fantastic and is one of amazing examples of faith in action making the difference.

	<p>Our mission is ‘supporting projects supporting people’ and I believe we are achieving that and it is humbling to play a part in this and to be part of such an amazing CNI Network family.</p> <p>Thanks to all those who have stood with us, especially as we have had financial challenges. Steve and the trustees have devised a 3 year plan which has placed CNI Network on a stronger footing moving forward and to God whose ministry this is and who we serve to make our communities and nations a better place.</p>
2015AGM4	<p>Presentation of accounts (CNI Network and Local Branch):</p> <p>These were agreed as an accurate record (proposed by Martin Rowley, seconded by Julian Hodgson)</p>
2015AGM5	<p>Appointment of Trustees and Roles:</p> <p>As there were no other nominations Trevor Bendrien voted in as chair - all in favour.</p> <p>Steve Brock agreed to stand as Vice-Chair - proposed by Andy Burns, seconded by Martin Rowley</p> <p>The role of Secretary and Treasurer is carried out by the CEO - these roles are to be decided at a future meeting.</p> <p>Revd. Andy Nicholson and Martin Rowley had agreed to stand as trustees - both accepted and voted on as trustees - proposed by Steve Brock, seconded by Trevor Bendrien</p> <p>New Trustees and Regional Coordinators to be sought moving forward with a skills audit. Steve Brock to circulate a document.</p>
2015AGM6	<p>Appointment of Sutcliffe and Riley Accountants, Halifax as accountants</p> <p>All agreed</p>
2015AGM7	<p>Updates from CNI Network and Local Branches:</p> <p>Belper going from strength to strength. New volunteers come on board to point of sending 4 people out on patrol not 3. Need a few more volunteers before they</p>

	<p>decide if they move to the next stage. 7-11pm slot for young people, 11pm - early hours for pub/clubs. Moving to Saturday as this is growing in Belper on Saturday. Also calls from Matlock, Ripley and Derby asking for Street Angels in these towns. Belper doesn't have a taxi rank which causes problems for people wanting to get home. Belper is top of a stag doo list in rural UK with a purpose-built stag night hostel resulting in large parties. Some changes on website and recruitment process. Really well received in Belper with lots of requests for money. Welcomed at local festivals and around supporting local people around tragedies. Discussion took place around getting people home with no local taxi rank.</p> <p>Redcar Beacons started recently and about to launch Saturday nights. Middlesbrough going well strngething work with university. Guisborough NightLights a rural town with a lot of people operate from a minibus. Hartepool Town Pastors have found the nightlife area moved locations and as a result struggling with volunteers but looking at mobile unit. Stockton Town Pastors have a mobile unit which has been succesful and meant they can also work in Yarm and have a 75% increase in first aid. Nigt-time economy is changing with people coming out later and staying out later.</p> <p>Dundee / Montrose Street Chaplains work in several areas along the East Coast - work at Montrose Festival is going well. In Dundee work Tuesday, Wednesday (student nights) Friday and Saturday (club nights) - with homeless team, street team, table team with tea and coffee and club team. Problem is with low volunteer numbers especially when students have gone home. There is potential to work in more nightclubs in the city. Orange Festival in Glasgow is a new outreach for this year. Andy is an assessor with Best Bar None.</p> <p>Guildford Street Angels received the Queens Award for Volunteering (equivalent of MBE). Windsor Street Angels had 4 nights at Royal Ascot and we are looking at supporting them next year to have more volunteers from across our Network.</p>
2015AGM8	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p>Thanks to Paul and Jean for all the hard work they have put in. Thanks to all the volunteers and respective families! Thanks to Belper Street Angels for hosting the AGM this evening.</p>

Meeting closed at 7.30pm