



In January three of the five new trustees of Street Angels - Christian Nightlife Initiatives as a charity and company limited by guarantee met in Stockton to work out the logistics of moving from a Halifax based charity to a national charity. The 5 trustees to date representing the wider UK work are: Sara Barrie (Headingley Street Angels), Trevor Bendrien (Halifax Street Angels), Steve Brock (Stockton Town Pastors), Andrew Burns (Dundee Street Chaplains) and Paul McNally (Salvation Army). More details on this will be available in the coming months with the change planned for 1st April 2012.

One new element will be that local projects can become local branches with access to the SA-CNI charity status and Gift Aid facility. Part of this process also saw the Projects list updated and regionalised on the web site ([www.cninetwork.org.uk](http://www.cninetwork.org.uk)) which will make finding a local project easier and also show the range of projects within each region. Do check the projects page and your local project entry and email [paul@cninetwork.org.uk](mailto:paul@cninetwork.org.uk) if there needs to be any changes.

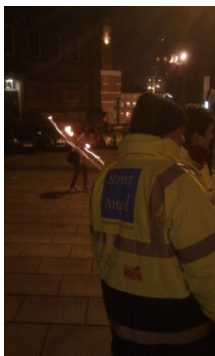
As an organisation CNI Network has developed strongly over the last 18 months (as our Annual Report on the web site shows). We are building on this development in 2012 as well as look at new areas of work such as accredited training and outreach at the Olympics and Edinburgh Festival.

There is still opportunity for people to serve as trustees and we welcome representatives from other areas of the UK to join us who will serve in addition to the regional leadership team. 2012 is set to be an exciting year and we thank you for your part in this!

*Thoughts from Angela of the first night of Leeds Street Angels:*

It was amazing to reach out and help so many people in Leeds on Friday night.

Hope the guy that was sick is feeling better,  
pray the drunken girl made it home after we rescued her from the middle of the road and put her in a taxi home,  
we gave out many pairs of flip flops to girls walking around in bare feet and received many many thanks from them,  
Hope the guy we stayed with until an ambulance came to get him has recovered from his over indulgence,  
hope the guy who had an asthma attack in the fish shop recovered





pray the tea and coffee warmed up the homeless people that called in the cafe for a drink and a chat with us,  
it was fantastic to talk with so many of the interested public who gave us lots of praise and encouragement,  
to the guy that was interested in volunteering please get in touch.  
Most of all God bless the street angels who give up their own time freely to help others. Xxx



**Love Your Streets - Do One Nice Thing:**

To celebrate a year of the Love Your Streets initiative we are encouraging people to do one nice thing a day for someone else!

It could be as simple as saying hello to someone you pass in the street or making the time to say thank you to the person who serves you in the shop. It could mean volunteering in a charity shop or as a Street Angel or calling in to have coffee with an elderly neighbour. It may be you pick up a piece of rubbish or be part of an In Bloom tidy up day. Looking ahead your one nice thing could be part of the Queen's Jubilee Big Lunch or opening your home to let neighbours watch the opening of the Olympics... The choices are limitless - Do One Nice Thing and help Love Your Streets...

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*Do One Nice Thing*



# More Than Gold News

## Get Set Tour:

A day not to be missed and essential for those wanting to become or find out more about Games Pastors. The tour visits towns and cities across the UK in February, March and April and costs £10 - register on-line - search 'Get Set' at [www.morethangold.org.uk](http://www.morethangold.org.uk)

## Torch Relay:

The Torch will be visiting a locality close to you! Can your local project help with some of the logistics around road closures, stewarding, etc or can you organise a Christian element / outreach to the days events?

## Torch Praise Bus:

The Methodist church in Escalls, Cornwall (the first chapel after Lands End), has organised a double decker half open top sightseeing bus to go ahead of the Torch Relay on its tour of the UK. On board will be Christian bands playing in rotation. The bus may be available for outreach events in the places the torch is visiting. Hospitality near the overnight venues for 6 people (and a bus) is also needed. Visit [www.thejourneyfromescalls.co.uk](http://www.thejourneyfromescalls.co.uk)

## Games Pastors:

Street Angels - CNI Network are working with Billy Graham Association and Street Pastors to recruit Games Pastors for the four weeks of the Olympics (27th July - 12th August and 29th August - 9th September). If you are interested then you need to register at [www.morethangold.org.uk](http://www.morethangold.org.uk) - if you volunteer at a local project please include this information on the front sheet of the application...

## Bus Outreach in London:

SA-CNI is working with Full Gospel Business Men's Fellowship International and Share Jesus International to utilise the open top Praise Bus for use in London over the Olympics. The idea is to use the bus for music, drama, testimony, etc as we tour round London visiting different venues for an hour at a time. The bus could also be used to compliment Street Angel activity in the capital's night-club spots. More information soon...

**Sudbury** enjoyed an unusually quiet Christmas with little crime reported, according to a police chief.

Sergeant Kevin Horton, from Sudbury Police, said the town experienced "one or two" crimes a day over the festive season, including drink-drive offences and domestic arguments. He said he believed the low crime rate was partially to do with people preferring to spend money on presents and stay in rather than go out. "It was quite bizarre how quiet the town was in the run up to Christmas," said Mr Horton.

"There were plenty of officers, town pastors and door staff around but I think we outnumbered those out for the evening on some occasions."



**Oldham Street Angels** spent one night with Halifax Angels and one night with Bolton Angels and have plans to re-launch again in Oldham town centre at Easter.

**Leeds Street Angels** launched in January and will compliment the work of Beth Tash and the links she has made within the night-time economy of the city centre.



The 2 teams were well received and dealt with a number of incidents. Street Angels will run on alternate Friday's with Club Angels (safe people based within Tiger Tiger) working the other Friday and Tuesday's in the University area.

The **Church Urban Fund** are holding a conference titled "Tackling Poverty" on 18th April 10.30am - 4pm at St George's Church, Leeds. The main speakers include the Archbishop of York John Sentamu. For more information and to book visit [www.cuf.org.uk](http://www.cuf.org.uk)

CNI responded to the **House of Common Science and Technology Committee Report** on Alcohol urging MP's to enter into the larger debate around the future of the night-time economy at the same time as promoting safe and sensible drinking. The work of local projects shows that towns can move from binge to better. The full letter is available on the [www.cninetwork.org.uk](http://www.cninetwork.org.uk) blog page. Street Angels - CNI has also signed a letter to **David Cameron** calling for minimum pricing on alcohol which is to be made public on 3rd February and will be on our Blog page and in various media...



The CNI TV series **Making The Difference** is available at [www.makingthedifference.tv](http://www.makingthedifference.tv)

The **West Yorkshire Ecumenical Council 2012 Unity Post** features news from Skipton, Huddersfield, Leeds, Headingley and Halifax Street Angels some of the West Yorkshire and Yorkshire Dales projects. An on-line version will be available shortly at [www.wyec.co.uk](http://www.wyec.co.uk)

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## *From Dundee Street Chaplains:*

Hi Folks.

As you all know I'm not one for writing about what goes on on the streets of Dundee City Centre. However I feel we need to let you know a little of what is happening since Christmas...



Since early January we have been spending a lot of time in and around the area of Dundee Bus station, this area is well known as being the alternative area (gay, lesbian and bisexual). However we have been in touch with a young guy who is of the age that he can't get into the bars and clubs but is popular for the wrong reasons sexually. Three of our Street Chaplains have had very very good chats with him and over the weeks he has opened up. They have shared the Good news of the Gospel with him as well as helping him in practical ways.

Can we ask you to pray for him and that the Street Chaplains who know him will have wisdom as they chat to him.

The hot drinks table at the Steeple Church has been popular with clubbers and those who are vulnerable and homeless on the streets of Dundee, This has shown us that there is a need for some sort of night café / place where people can come and be safe until they can get a bus / taxi or move on. Please pray about this. There seems to be lots of work going on in Dundee during the day for the vulnerable but little during the Nighttime Hours.

Last night 27th January while our team was on the streets three of our Chaplains came across a man who was very very drunk. He had been left by his friends and was freezing (had we not found him the outcome might not have been that good) however they managed to get him back to the hot drinks table and warmed him up then got into a taxi and home. One of the Street Chaplains gave the taxi driver a tip of £10 as he was going out of his way to take the man home and did lose money in taxi fares because of his concern.

Thanks for praying.

*Andy Burns. ROCK Street Chaplains Co-ordinator.*

Broughtyferry Outreach is going ok, we have a faithful few but could do with new members for this team, The team goes out on the 3rd Fri Night of the Month. Broughtyferry is different to Dundee City Centre but the need is the same. If you know of anyone who would be interested in joining this team Please contact myself - [andy@cnietwork.org.uk](mailto:andy@cnietwork.org.uk) or Pastor Brian Tolbot. The need is great in Broughtyferry.

## **Diary for February:**

*Wed 1st Feb - Paul is speaking at Hellifield Mothers' Union; Adam is speaking about Games Pastors with the Elstow Benefice Staff meeting*

*Thu 2nd Feb - Adam meeting with Michael Campbell, Senior Town Centre Chaplain in Luton*

*Sun 5th Feb - Paul speaking at Halifax Central Church - a young people's church in Halifax*

*Tue 7th Feb - Adam will be speaking the APPG for Town Centres in London*

*Wed 8th Feb - Adam will be attending meetings in London*

*Thu 9th, Fri 10th and Sat 11th - Adam and Becky will be in Aldershot sharing in the work of their Town Centre Pastoral Work*

*Sun 12th Feb - Paul and Jean are attending the West Yorkshire launch of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations*

*Mon 20th Feb - Paul and Adam will be attending a meeting at Lambeth Palace with other Christian leaders*

*Thu 23rd Feb - Paul and Steve Brock attending a Church Urban Fund day in Middlesbrough*

*Wed 29th Feb - Paul is filming series 2 of [www.MakingTheDifference.tv](http://www.MakingTheDifference.tv) at Moggerhanger Park, Bedfordshire.*

*Paul is also out and about on the streets of Halifax on Friday afternoons working with 2 youth workers from YACL (Youth and Church Link) and Saturday nights with Street Angels. If you wish Paul to visit your project on a Friday night please email [paul@cnietwork.org.uk](mailto:paul@cnietwork.org.uk)*

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Local Giving are offering match-funding of donations made via [www.localgiving.com/streetangels](http://www.localgiving.com/streetangels) as of 9am on 1st March. There will be a limit to the amount of match funding available but if any local project wants to make use of this then please ask people to add the project name in the message that accompanies the gift. CNI will then send you a cheque (less 10% and LocalGiving take a % fee from the donation) for total donations. Contact Paul for more details.

The CNI Network blog page includes details of the elected **Police and Crime Commissioners** which is happening in November - including some regional briefing events between 8th Feb and 21st March - you can book for at <http://clinks.eventbrite.com>

**Please pray for:** every local expression of work and every volunteer who invests into each locality; the work in Leeds especially the Club Angels; Mike French and work in clubs in Bournemouth; More Than Gold and the opportunities over 2012; the work of CNI Network as we move into a new chapter...