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### Hours of Reassurance....

The Street Angels carried out 14 patrols in their first three months with an average of 6 Angels out during each patrol....that equates to **504 patrolling hours** given voluntarily!

### The Town Supporting the Angels

Not only have those who enjoy Northallerton's night life warmly welcomed the patrol teams into the town each weekend, but local businesses and groups have also given their support to this voluntary project. In recent weeks, the teams were overwhelmed by the offer of free pizza from Pizza Express to keep them going through their patrol and two financial donations have been gratefully received from the Northallerton Round Table (£200) and the Rotary Club (£340.50). These financial contributions will help to keep the scheme running and will allow further equipment to be purchased to continue supporting those who need help.

Chair of the Street Angels Steering Group, Steve Cowie commented; "Whilst our teams could never determine if their intervention has prevented incidents from occurring, it is clear that those who are most vulnerable in the town late at night have been offered support and help by the Angels.

"The success of the project is partly due to the warmth that Northallerton town has shown our teams. We have been humbled by the friendliness of everyone we have come into contact with and the commitment and enthusiasm of our volunteers has been strengthened by the knowledge that we are making a difference. We set out to give support and reassurance to the Northallerton town on a Saturday night and the feedback we received is that we are doing that week in, week out".



### The Morning After the Night Before!

Many, but not all, of our Angels are church-goers, with the project being led by New Life Baptist Church. Chris Bambrough is a Northallerton Street Angel and cartoonist, and came up with the below sketch to show the morning after the night before.....



### Can You Get Involved?

The Street Angels are always looking for more volunteers to help boost the support the teams can give to the town.

If you are able to volunteer for one Saturday night each month (10pm-4am) then please get in touch.

Details can be found on our website - [www.northallertonstreetangels.co.uk](http://www.northallertonstreetangels.co.uk)

or contact:  
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### Wishing You All.....

A very Happy & Safe Christmas and a Prosperous New Year

Our teams will be on patrol on 23, 24 and 31 December. If you or your loved ones need us on these nights, we will be there to help and support in any way we can.

**Thank you for your continued support.**

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Northallerton Street Angels started in July 2016. Street Angels patrol in teams of three around Northallerton town centre on a Saturday night between 10pm and 4am; helping, supporting and reassuring anybody who might need a helping hand during their evening in the town.

This newsletter gives a snapshot of their work and details of how you can get involved!

Northallerton Street Angels are not the police; instead they work to offer support and reassurance to those in the town centre on a Saturday night and can offer practical items to help get you home. Street Angels will never intervene in a fight or in situations that require an emergency response.

Following an in depth training package, Northallerton Street Angels began their patrols in the warm sunny Saturday nights of July 2016. Prior to the launch, some questioned whether there would be sufficient need for the Angels to be patrolling, our teams have since found out that there is plenty to keep them busy, and just lately, warm whilst they are out in town.



In the first 8 patrols, Street Angels were directly involved in 25 incidents ranging from a cut finger to supporting those who have had too much to drink and requiring ambulance treatment. There have been a number of lone females who have approached the teams for assistance and the patrols have been able to work with the CCTV team to help direct emergency resources where they have been needed.

As well as patrolling through the town centre, a team of Angels is based in the Northallerton Town Hall during the Saturday evening (from 10pm) and word is getting out and about that if you need help, you can seek out the Angels from the Town Hall and they are able to assist. The welcome from the town for the Angels has been overwhelming and continues to motivate the teams to be there when they are needed.

## Angels supporting the Town

Northallerton Street Angels have also been supporting events in the town including the recent Hate Crime event held in October at the Town Hall (picture below) as well as the well - attended Bonfire Night in November. The teams take as many opportunities to promote the project as they can and encourage more members of the community – whether they are church goers or not – to join this voluntary scheme.



## More than broken glass!

In addition to the incidents that the teams have been involved in, they have been able to proactively and positively engage with those enjoying a night out in town – even being able to give out flip flops to those in heels who can no longer manage and lollipops to those who have wanted them.

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