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STREET PASTORS

The Care Agency is pleased to have played a part in the official launch of the Street Pastors Programme by the Church in its multi-denominational form.

Although this programme will be new in Gibraltar, the project is supported by the U.K. Home Office currently running in over 100 locations. It involves the Church in partnership with the Government and the Police. The purpose being to provide teams of people who are trained to be able to help individuals in need as a result of being drunken or having taken any substance misuse generally experience in modern society.

The experience in the U.K. is that when there has been a presence of Street Pastors, particularly in the early hours of the morning, there has been a decrease of disorder associated with modern day unsocial behaviour.

Commenting in this initiative, the Minister responsible for the Care Agency, the Hon J Netto stated: Having such a service in Gibraltar would further enhance/dovetail with our own programmes quite well in reaching out more effectively to more individuals. I would also like to thank Rev F Patron for his hard work and vision in bringing this service to Gibraltar. Finally, I would also like to thank His Lordship the Mayor for allowing us to officially launch the programme in the City Hall.