

**ROWAN LIVINGSTONE – ST. PETROCK’S**

- 26th year of operation in Cathedral Yard;
- support work at centre for rough sleepers and vulnerably housed. Also serve at “the bottom of the pyramid” providing blankets, toilet and shower facilities, clothing and battery packs to maintain contact. See between 25-30 a day and offer basic survival sessions. Afternoons involve group meetings and follow up contacts;
- there has been a shift since Pre Pandemic as no longer provide meals on site. There was a food offer in the morning at 8:45 Monday to Friday as part of outreach with hot meals between 12 and 1pm (about 50 clients);
- increasingly, rough sleepers are asking for vulnerable housing support - either temporary or supported accommodation. Hotels and B&B’s can not provide cooking facilities;
- also support anyone in food poverty if possible, but majority are homeless or vulnerably housed;
- offer one to one key worker support in liaison with JH and CoLab. The Clocktower Nurse also attends;
- offer a Welfare Benefit Service helping explain Universal Credit changes where there has been a great increase in demand - referrals increasingly from friends/family or other agencies and even sector colleagues for support to help navigate Universal Benefit (previously working tax benefit);
- provide volunteer opportunities for those previously helped;
- have 7 properties with 19 bed spaces at Tier 4 level for those who are stable and in recovery – rough sleepers are offered Tier 1 accommodation at County Council funded Gabriel House;
- not funded and rely on public donations, businesses and grant making organisations;
- a partnership with the Council – Fairlets - seeking Landlord sponsorship had failed as there had been no take up by landlords;
- another former scheme had been No Second Night Out – providing accommodation within 24 hours; and
- also support people in private rented accommodation.