



# PULBOROUGH PARISH WARDENS' REPORT

April 2019

## Criminal damage/ASB/Drugs

- Reports of drug dealing in a particular road. Information has been passed to the Police and residents have been encouraged to do the same.
- Anti-social use of a motorbike in the village – reported to Operation Crackdown and the Police.

## Projects

- Local volunteer litter picking group joined in with the Great British Spring Clean on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April. They cleared around 16 black bin bags to include a car bumper and a bed!
- We have delivered 5 x virtual reality sessions to the Wednesday lunch club, United Reformed Church Caring and Craft Cafes, to deliver to groups with vulnerable and/or older members to support and improve health and mental wellbeing. These were incredibly well received and very popular. We will look to do more sessions in the future to include the Monday library hub. Funding for the 5 sessions was provided by the Police Property Act Fund.
- We're now recruiting volunteers to help with our Pen Friend service between the care homes and the primary school around intergenerational work.
- Working with the school's eco council to discourage dog fouling around the school area and the walking bus route. To include new poo bag dispensers.

## Parking

- Residents are saying that the school parking issues are better. This has evolved since the introduction of the walking bus, the new and improved signage and the new road surface with yellow lines. The walking bus has been operating for a year now with 30 regular children attending.

## Cold callers/Scams

- Continuous reminders around scam awareness given to groups and individuals.

## Neighbourhood disputes

- None reported to us this month.

## Fly-tipping

- None reported to us this month.

## Dog fouling / issues with dogs

- Reports received of dog fouling issues in Carpenters Meadow. The situation has improved after having spoken with some residents and we've put some new signage up.
- Working with St Marys School and a local dog behaviourist around a dog fouling campaign to include the children. Targeting the walking bus route (as above). This will include some new signs and poo bag dispensers.

## Elderly / vulnerable

- Signposted a vulnerable older resident to the community minibus and clubs to prevent social isolation.
- Currently working with a resident who is looking into setting up a support group for army veterans

**Young people**

- Currently supporting some families with young people around mentoring and financial support

**Other**

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