# Warden Monthly Report

October 2022 – Pulborough Parish

Patrol hours TOTAL:	101	ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) incidents TOTAL:	4
Foot (high visibility)	70	Noise	2
Vehicle	31	Neighbours	1
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	2	Driving/vehicles	1
Parking alert	2	Bicycles	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0	Alcohol	0
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	8
Reports into Police TOTAL:	14	Fly tipping / flyposting	1
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	2
Online	0	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	2
Verbal	14	Drug litter	1
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)	1	Hazards	2
Media Reports TOTAL:	7		
Press release/Community magazines	1		
Social media posts	6	Community events	4
Admin	29	School contact	5
Vulnerable people welfare checks	5	Youth engagement	27
Signposting	7	Reports to DVLA	0
Safeguarding referral	1	Reports to Operation Crackdown	1

KEY:

ASB: Anti-social behaviour

E-CINS: Online portal for confidential multi-agency sharing of caseloads

**HDC: Horsham District Council** 

Operation Crackdown: Joint initiative with Sussex Safer Roads Partnership and Sussex Police to report abandoned vehicles or anti-social driving

PCSO: Police Community Support Officer

PSPO: Public Spaces Protection Order – Intended to deal with a particular nuisance or problem in a particular area that is detrimental to the local community's quality of life

PPC: Pulborough Parish Council

WSCC: West Sussex County Council

WSFR: West Sussex Fire and Rescue

CSAS: Community Safety Accreditation Scheme

#### ASB crime

We visited a local resident who is suffering from anti-social behaviour caused by another tenant at her block of flats to offer support and advice. We gathered information from her for our ECINS case on the address. We have had a meeting with one of the Community Safety Officers on our team and the local PCSO for the area regarding this.

After further reports from the 'Stopham Plotters' of thefts from their sheds, we liaised with the association about their on-site security and as part of a package of measures, we installed some signage to make people aware of the presence of their hidden surveillance cameras.



## Parking/vehicles

We have received further complaints about cars parked on the verges near to the school making it difficult for road users to see at the junctions. We spoke with PCSO Lisa Bowley about how we could work jointly together to try to resolve this. Lisa wrote to parents on behalf of Sussex Police and the school kindly distributed her letter via their school messaging system to parents. The school has also been reminding parents via their weekly newsletter.





#### Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

We are pleased not to have found any reportable fly tipping or graffiti during October. We regularly pick up litter whilst out on patrol and liaise with the litter warden about any litter hotspots.

If you witness fly tipping, please call Sussex Police and if possible, provide them with the registration of the offending vehicle and subsequently any relevant dash cam footage you may have. You can also report it direct to HDC at: <a href="https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping">https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping</a>

We are pleased to report that the number of incidents of drug litter in the village remains extremely low. We continually monitor trends and react to intelligence so that we can identify and patrol key hot spots to disrupt drug use. If you have any concerns in relation to drug use in the village, please feel free to contact us in complete confidence or alternatively report it to Sussex Police via their website.

You can always report incidents of graffiti direct to Horsham District Council via their website: https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning

#### Community engagement/events/meetings

We also attended a quarterly community volunteer group meeting which is a useful way to find out what other organisations are doing within the village and for us to update them on our projects.

We are still seeking volunteers from the community to help us set up and run a few of our projects, please contact the wardens, for more information, if you can offer any help.

We visited Lodge Hill and met Darren Worsfold, the Alternative Provision Officer, who is responsible for delivering the ChallengeU Intervention and Inclusion programme to young people of all abilities and backgrounds. We visited with a view to link in with them on future youth projects.

This month we attended our Horsham District Council quarterly warden team meeting at Parkside. This is a useful time to speak with other members of staff from different teams within HDC about how we can best work together and support each other. It is also a positive opportunity to speak to our other warden colleagues about what is going on within their parishes and to share advice and best practice.

After kind invitation of Laurie Ellis, we attended the Pulborough Society's October meeting to introduce ourselves to its members and to update those attending about the projects we have been working on since we both became wardens in the parish.



Ross went to the monthly village market and met with some of the newer Parish councillors and had some very productive conversations.

We had our quarterly steering group meeting this month with Parish Council Chairman Ian Hare, Clerk Heather Knight and Councillor Edna Henley. We discussed both the current parish council priorities and Horsham District Council priorities. The main focus currently is the cost-of-living crisis and how we can support potential "Warm Hubs" within the community.

#### Patrols (foot/visible and car)

We have conducted our usual vehicle patrols of the boundary roads of the parish to monitor the fly tipping hotspots and the roads through Nutbourne.

We have made regular visits on our patrols to both the Cousins Way allotments and the Stopham Plotters allotments due to the thefts and damage reported.

We have carried out our usual foot patrols of the recreation ground and surrounding roads as well as Lower Street, visiting the shops and businesses whilst in the vicinity. Again, we are also regularly patrolling the Lower Street car park following the complaints of drug dealing in the area.

## Older, vulnerable people and youth

We have noticed an increase of residents speaking to us regarding scam calls that they have been receiving. Advice on scams is available online, or you can pick up from the wardens on request.

https://www.sussex.police.uk/SysSiteAssets/media/downloads/sussex/advice/operations-initiatives-and-watch-schemes/operation-signature/the-little-book-of-scams

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If you think you've uncovered a scam, been targeted by a scam or fallen victim to fraudsters, contact Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040 or https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/reporting-fraud-and-cyber-crime.

Call Sussex Police on 101 if you know the suspect or they're still in the area

This month we have been made very welcome, on two occasions, at the Wednesday Lunch Club at the village hall. It has been a lovely opportunity to engage with older members of the community and we have both enjoyed our soup and dessert.

This month we attended an online seminar hosted by West Sussex Mind and the YMCA about how to support a young person who has self-harmed and their guardians. It was an extremely useful insight into a difficult topic.

Following on from complaints received about young people playing football on the main recreation ground and footballs going over into properties in Chestnut Walk, we spoke with some of the young people and asked if they would like to play on the Cousins Way Recreation Ground instead. They said they would like to if they had a net back there again. We purchased two football nets from our project budget and installed them on the 3<sup>rd</sup> October. Sadly, when checking the area again on the 12<sup>th</sup> October the majority of pegs that had been holding the net in place had been stolen and the net damaged in several places.



After liaising with St Mary's Primary School, we started lunchtime engagement visits on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> October to spend time talking to and getting to know our village children better. We want the children to get to know us too and know that we are there to help and support them when they are active in the community as well as at school.

During October we have seen our busiest Youth Boxing session with 21 young people in attendance. We have also had sessions with a smaller number of 11 in attendance, but this has still been incredibly positive as the coaches have been able to focus on training those young people who really want to be there and who seem more focused.

#### Dog related issues

We had had no dog related issues raised this month. If you find a dog roaming free and not being supervised, you may wish to consider reporting it to Environmental Health by email <a href="mailto:publichealth.licensing@horsham.gov.uk">publichealth.licensing@horsham.gov.uk</a> . As with any other incident involving an immediate threat to human or animal life, please call 999.

## Cycling

We have had no cycling related issues raised in October.

## Parish specific/other

We spent some time at Horsham Police Station attending our PCSO Lisa Bowley's (Police Community Support Officer) section briefing. After this, we had some time to discuss some of the current key issues in Pulborough.

We are Police vetted and work within the CSAS (Community Safety Accreditation Scheme) which promotes partnership working and an effective 2-way exchange of information and intelligence between agencies.



We travelled to Midhurst to visit the Community Food Hub run by UK Harvest. It was a bit of a fact finding/information gathering exercise as part of our project to support the opening of a Community Fridge in Pulborough.



## Public enquiries

This month we responded to 7 enquiries from residents by phone, email or in person and signposted them to further support where necessary. These enquires included issues such as questionable parking in the village and if there was a support group for people with brain injuries.

## Social media/press

We have continued to promote our Instagram account and taken some scenic photographs whilst out on our foot patrols. We have continued to use the Horsham District Neighbourhood Wardens Facebook and Twitter accounts to publish any Pulborough related content and to keep parents and carers informed about our boxing sessions.





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pulborough.wardens As calm as a mill pond! The lake at Old Place, Coomblands Lane. Photographed whilst out on foot patrol. #pulborough #reflection #BlackAndWhite #lake #Mirrorlmage

https://www.instagram.com/pulborough.wardens/

https://www.facebook.com/HDWardens

https://twitter.com/HorshamWardens