Warden Monthly Report

May 2024 - Pulborough Parish

Patrol hours TOTAL:	69.45	ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) incidents reported to us TOTAL:	16
Foot	55.95	Noise	2
Vehicle	13.5	Neighbours	1
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	2	Driving/vehicles	1
Verbal warning	0	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	2	Alcohol	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0	Other	12
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	3
Reports into Police TOTAL:	7	Fly tipping / flyposting	2
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	0
Online	0	Dog fouling	1
Intelligence report	0	Litter	0
Verbal	7	Drug litter	0
E-Mail	0	Hazards	0
Media Reports TOTAL:	4		
Press release/Community magazines	0		
Social media posts	4	Community events attended	11
Admin hours	17	School contact	7
Older/Vulnerable people visits	5	Reports to DVLA	0
Signposting	9	Reports to Operation Crackdown	0
Safeguarding referral	0		

KEY:

ASB: Anti-social behaviour

HDC: Horsham District Council

Operation Crackdown: A 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/Criminal Damage

May was, as is always predicted with the seasons changing and the weather improving, a busy month with regards to anti-social behaviour and criminal activity in the Parish.

We work closely with the victims and the Police when matters like this are reported to us but rely on the incidents being reported first hand to the Police.

ASB can be reported directly to Sussex Police here https://www.sussex.police.uk/ro/report/asb/asb-v3/report-antisocial-behaviour/

If anyone is seriously injured or there is immediate danger or risk to public safety, call 999; if property is being damaged, call 101.

If you want your report to remain anonymous, you can report to the Crimestoppers charity on **0800 555 111** or online at https://crimestoppers-uk.org/give-information/forms/pre-form





During May half term a fire was lit, and damage caused to the youth shelter situated on the main recreation ground belonging to the Parish Council. This was reported to Sussex Police.





We received a call from staff at Newey Nursery who had discovered a large amount of plastic sheeting had been cut from one of their poly tunnels. Although the company will be vacating the site later this year they are still very much working from the location and still need to use the remaining greenhouses and poly tunnels. Some weeks ago, when patrolling we had been made aware of a camp that had been built in woodland near to Duncan's Pond. Initially the

camp had been built out of fallen wood and branches but when we re-visited the location of the camp, we found that plastic sheeting had been added! Sussex Police were contacted and made aware of our discovery.



Sadly, May has also seen an increase in reports into us here in Pulborough of ball bearings being found and associated damage caused. Our warden colleagues in other parishes in the district have also reported issues in their areas too. We have carried out visits to victims and we are highlighting the need for residents to report any damage caused or sightings of people with catapults directly to Sussex Police.

We have also had reports of a group of young people playing "Knockdown Ginger" and being rude to residents in Barn House Lane. It is also believed to be the same group who have been disrespectful to dog walkers on the Pulborough Brooks. We are working alongside PCSO Megan Lloyd from Sussex Police, our colleagues within Community Safety and The Weald School to address these issues.

We have also been contacted by several parties regarding nuisance neighbour issues and dog barking complaints. We have been in contact

with housing managers at both Saxon Weald and Clarion Housing to try to resolve these problems and have given advice to complainants regarding keeping ASB diaries to capture evidence.

Vehicles/Road



We were sad to hear that a vehicle parked along the Stopham Road had all four wheels stolen and subsequently sustained further criminal damage. We have spoken with the victim and passed on some information which may be linked to Sussex Police.

To report a vehicle with no MOT and/or no tax please see links below to the Government website:

https://www.gov.uk/report-no-mot

https://www.gov.uk/report-untaxed-vehicle

For anti-social driving and abandoned vehicles, please report to Operation Crackdown at:

http://www.operationcrackdown.org/

Fly Tipping/Littering/Graffiti



Frustratingly we found garden waste fly tipped again in Nutbourne Lane, in the lay-by at the entrance to the Southern Water site.



Whilst out on foot patrol we found what was left of a double mattress, thoughtfully dumped outside Strawberry Fields, where children regularly play!

If you witness fly tipping in action, 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: https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping

Abandoned shopping trolleys can be reported on the "Trolleywise" website at: www.trolleywiseapp.co.uk

You can 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

The Hub

Our May visit to The Hub held at Pulborough Library was on Monday 13th May. Alongside our usual discussions about all things Pulborough with the attendees, we spent time talking to regular member Pat who was talking about her forthcoming Birthday plans with her family. Pat is always a pleasure to engage with and we would like to wish her a very Happy 90th Birthday!

Quarterly Warden Team Meeting

On Tuesday 14th May we attended the quarterly Warden Team meeting at HDC's offices at Parkside in Horsham. It is always a good opportunity to get together as a team to talk about community projects, community issues and have training inputs.

Pulborough Pop-In

We have continued to call in to the Pop-In when our shifts allow, so that the parents attending know that they can chat to us or talk about any issues of concern in a safe environment.

The Pulborough Pop-In at the Library run by Isla Moran on behalf of the Pulborough and District Community Care Association (PDCCA). The Pop-In provides a safe space for parents and carers to visit for a cuppa and a chat where pre-school children are made very welcome.

More information can be found at the PDCCA's revamped website here:

https://www.pdcca.org.uk/

Scam Awareness Talk at Pulborough Bereavement Support Group

After visiting an older resident who was worried about the increase in scams particularly telephone and internet scams, we were invited along to the Pulborough Bereavement Support Group, which they attend, to give a Scam Awareness Talk. We went along to their meeting on Tuesday 21st May and received a warm welcome from the group. Several of those present highlighted their concerns to us about the need for more computer training and advice for older people locally. This is a community issue that we have identified before and will be looking into again to see if we can resolve it.

Older, Vulnerable People and Youth

Older/Vulnerable People

We were asked by a member of the church community to visit and reassure a potentially vulnerable member of the Parish regarding recent activity at their property. We reassured them about a couple of issues of concern to them and gave them advice on how to deal with such situations if they occur again.

We were called by a resident who had concerns about the welfare of a neighbour of theirs. We were able to ascertain the whereabouts of the resident and update the concerned neighbour.

Youth

We were pleased to learn that the Parish Council had booked South Coast Skate Club to come along to the village hall again during half term for another full day of skateboarding lessons. Whilst out on foot patrol Ross spoke to two young people who were carrying skateboards. He told them about the session that was running in the village hall, but they said that they were too nervous to attend. Ross spent time talking to them and then accompanied them to the hall to see whether there was space for them to join in. They were welcomed in and had a great time, spending the whole session there where they learned a few new tricks to show off to their friends.



9.30-3pm

Separate aged sessions throughout the day



We continue to visit and support the Primary School in the village, on a regular basis, visiting at lunchtime play to engage with the young people, but also attending meetings with partner agencies to discuss behavioural issues in the community.

Youth Forum

We are still working to get our Youth Forum up and running as there are lots of great projects going on within the community that we want young people to have a say in and be involved with. Currently the exam season is upon us, so we have not been able to visit The Weald School again this month but hope to before the summer break.

Dog Related Issues

Sadly, there are still issues in the Stane Street Close area with owners not picking up after their dogs. We are working with Saxon Weald to try and improve the area. We have put up some dog fouling signs and are patrolling the area when shifts allow.



Dog fouling can be reported via the HDC website:

https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/dog-fouling

Any attacks by dogs need to be reported immediately to Sussex Police. Their advice is that if there is an immediate threat to human or animal life to call 999. Otherwise report to the police on 101 or via the Sussex Police website reporting form.

https://www.sussex.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/

Dogs Roaming Free

If you find a dog roaming free and not being supervised, you may wish to consider reporting it to Horsham District Council's approved contractor on 07512 089777 and they will come and collect. *This is a 24/7 service, but the dog does need to be contained for them to collect.*

N.B Horsham District Council <u>does not</u> have dog wardens.

Parish specific/other

Pulborough Shedders

The Shedders have finished building their storage shed, that was kindly donated, and have wood stained it ready for filling with all their projects. When we popped along to see them the camaraderie and buzz amongst the members was a real pleasure to see. The Shedders are also trialling opening a second morning a week due to popular demand, which is fabulous news.





Community Garden/Allotment

The community garden in the Parish Council allotments is going full steam ahead, with a willing and eager bunch of volunteers creating beds and raised planters. A working group has now been formed and we have our first meeting in June.

We are still in discussions with the Parish Council and the Pulborough Shedders about the larger project of a community garden on the Cousins Way recreation ground and combined building also incorporating the Pulborough Shedders new home. This will require a large amount of marketing, fundraising and grant applications and ideally someone with the necessary skills to volunteer to join the project and assist with these matters.

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556526658747

Pulborough "Journey" support group for parents and carers of children with Autism and Special Educational Needs (SEN)

On Friday 3rd May we met with the Ashington Wardens and the Storrington & Sullington Wardens to discuss plans for a family fun day for Children with Autism and SEN and their families. We are very grateful to Chanctonbury Leisure Centre in Storrington who have allowed us to hold the Funday there on Friday 2nd August between 11am and 3pm.

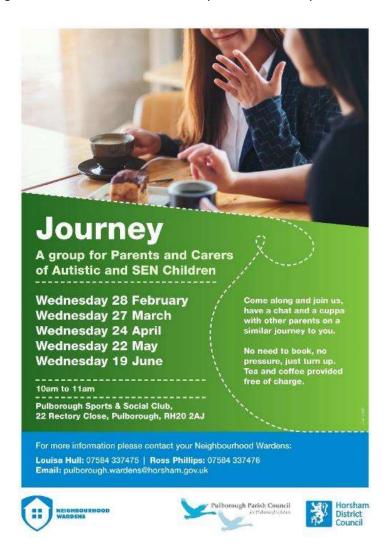
Whilst the group that met at our Journey support group was slightly smaller in number than we'd hoped on Wednesday 22nd May, we were joined by members of West Sussex County Council's Early Help Service and by a representative from Aspens. Aspens is a charity that provides care and support for people on the Autism spectrum and their families.

More information about Aspens can be found on their website:

https://www.aspens.org.uk/

An Aspens representative will be joining us again at our June and July meetings.

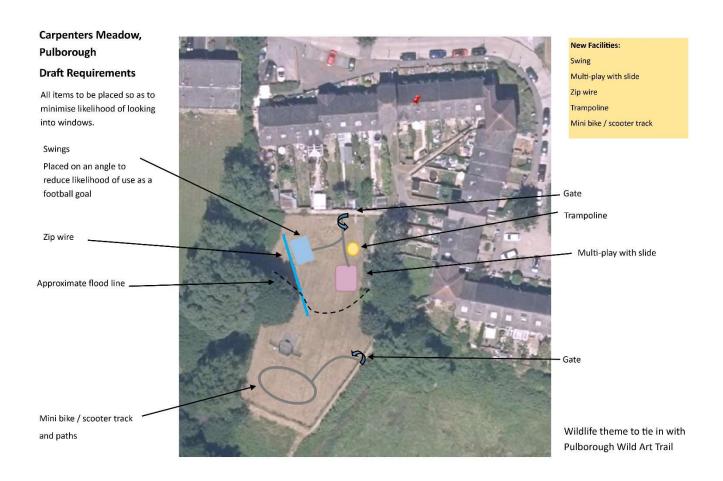
Our two remaining meeting dates before the summer holidays are Wednesday 19th June and Wednesday 17th July.



Refurbishment of Carpenters Meadow Play Area

Now that the HDC Parks and Countryside Team have completed another play project that they have been working on they are now turning their attentions to the Carpenters Meadow Play Area.

A draft plan of the site has been drawn up (see below) and sent to the group of residents who participated in the initial site meeting for consultation and feedback. This will then be converted into a specification and go out to tender.



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

https://www.facebook.com/HDWardens

https://twitter.com/HorshamWardens





Your Neighbourhood Wardens

- We meet the needs of the community to improve the quality of life for the residents through engagement, promotion and support.
- We develop projects that benefit the local residents to tackle community safety issues and promote inclusivity.
- We promote community cohesion, resilience and solidarity to encourage and empower communities to resolve issues.
- We support vulnerable members of the community with activities, advice, welfare checks and signposting.
- We engage with residents daily to get to know our community to become a trusted friend to offer advice, guidance and educate.
- We offer education and advice when required before taking enforcement action (Fixed Penalty Notices for Public Space Protection order and Environmental Crime offences)
- We contribute to the delivery of the Community Safety Partnership by working with other agencies to provide a highly visible and reassuring uniform patrolling presence.
- We provide an effective eyes and ears service aimed at reducing the fear of crime and improving quality of life.
- We submit reports to the police to reduce incidents of drug use, criminal damage and anti-social behaviour (101 in non-emergencies and 999 in emergencies) and work alongside them to tackle anti-social behaviour.



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EMERGENCY
ALWAYS DIAL 999

If you wish to speak to us in confidence, please give us a call or email **pulborough.wardens@horsham.gov.uk**







