

Warden Monthly Report

Date June 2022 – Pulborough Parish

Patrol hours TOTAL:	87	ASB incidents TOTAL:	
Foot (high visibility)	54.5	Noise	
Vehicle	32.5	Neighbours	
Notices/warnings TOTAL:		Driving/vehicles	
Fixed Penalty Notice		Bikes	
Yellow card warning		Alcohol/drugs	
Community Protection Warning/Notice	1	Public order	
Parking alert		Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	
Police reports TOTAL:		Fly tipping / flyposting	
Phone (including 101 and 999)		Graffiti	
Email	2	Dog fouling	
Intelligence report		Litter	
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)		Drug litter	
Verbal		Hazards	
Media reports TOTAL:		Community events attended	1
Press release / Community magazines		Reports to Operation Crackdown	
Social Media	3	Safeguarding referral	
Admin	49.5	School contact	2
Visits to vulnerable people (all ages)	1	Youth engagement	6
Signposting	5	Reports to DVLA	

KEY:

ASB: Anti-social behaviour

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

ASB/crime/criminal damage

We have continued to keep updated E-CINS reports on our ASB files in relation to one problem group in the village and parking and anti-social driving associated to a business in the Lower Street area.

We visited a resident who had seen two young people outside their property late at night and whose fence had been damaged.

Parking/vehicles

We have received complaints about an individual running a vehicle trading business and problems with the associated parking ongoing vehicle works in a residential road in the village. Whilst signposting the complainant to the proper channels, we have liaised with the Housing Association that is responsible for that area over this and other reported issues.

We have received reports of a group riding motorbikes in a dangerous manner along a footpath/bridlepath in the vicinity of Black Gate Lane and have increased our patrols in the area.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

This month we have done litter picks around the village when out on patrol and have patrolled a litter hotspot along the river. We have monitored the more remote boundary areas that are fly tipping hotspots.

Community engagement/events/meetings

We met with Brian White, Chair of the Nutbourne Residents Association to introduce ourselves and to discuss Nutbourne issues.

We met with Chris & Ali, the Storrington Wardens, to discuss recent distraction thefts that have occurred in the supermarket car parks in both areas (and also nationally). We have started to design a flyer with awareness information and safety tips on and are looking to hold awareness events locally throughout August.

We have taken a proactive stance and looked at the provisions for Ukrainian refugees in our parish. As part of this we have liaised with the Parish Council, URC and the St Mary's school and visited The Village Hub in Storrington to look at the set-up of this facility and to discuss whether there is a need for something similar to this here.

We had a telephone meeting with a company that looks at facilities for co-working and community space in relation to a potential site in Pulborough.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

We have been made aware of a new gathering place/potential ASB hotspot on one of our more remote footpaths so have patrolled the area and liaised with a nearby resident. We have conducted foot patrols in the areas where we have received complaints about dog fouling issues (see below). We have conducted vehicle patrols around our boundary areas and around Nutbourne.

Elderly and youth

We visited the Craft Café at the United Reform Church to introduce ourselves and spoke with the attendees about community concerns they have. Much of this was around parking issues.

We have continued our planning of the sports activities for young people on the recreation ground over the summer holidays and have booked Horsham Sports Services to provide these activities. We have been out on the recreation ground after school and ask the young people which activities they would like to participate in. Football and Tug of War seem to be the favourites!

We have visited Barry & Julie, the Billingshurst Wardens, to have a look at the Boxing Club for young people that they have successfully been running at the Community Centre for approximately 4 months. The boxing has proved really popular with about 20 young people attending on a regular basis. We are now looking at venues to host this in Pulborough and have been working with Dan Fairchild, HDC's Youth Provision Officer, to secure funding. We are hoping to be able to start this in September.

Ross attended the opening of "The Depot" for young people in Billingshurst which was hosted by Sussex Clubs for Young People.

Licensing

No licensing issues of note to report for June.

Dog related issues

We have received a report of dog fouling problems in the Rivermead area of the village. It is believed a local resident is walking their dog late at night and early in the morning and not picking up their dog mess. There has also been issues at both the main recreation ground and Cousins Way recreation ground. We have put out a social media post regarding this, which has also been shared to the main Pulborough pages. We have obtained descriptions of the owners and dogs and are increasing our patrols in the area.

Cycling

We have not had any reports about cycling related issues during June.

Parish specific/other

With things settling down a bit and with two of us now in post, we have been able to focus on the softer aspects of the role and push forwards with the many projects we have in planning and production.

We have had the time to look at putting out social media posts focussing on matters of importance to the local community and items of national health and safety concern.

At the time of writing, one post, about the dangers of an invasive alien plant called Giant Hogweed, has been seen by over **23,000** people. It has been shared over **200** times, including by many local clubs, groups, parish councils and societies. It was also taken up and shared as 'recommended reading' by a Horsham District councillor.

Although the numbers are great and they show that it is a popular post, more important are the messages we are getting back from members of the local community and further afield saying "Thank you for this post. There is loads of this in Loxwood. I had no idea", "Thank you for the info" "Thank you, I never knew this" "Thanks for the warning".

By sharing this simple message, we have possibly saved some people from serious harm.