# Warden Monthly Report

November 2023 – Pulborough Parish

Patrol hours TOTAL:	85.5	ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) incidents reported to us TOTAL:	3
Foot (high visibility)	46	Noise	0
Vehicle	16	Neighbours	0
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	1	Driving/vehicles	3
Verbal warning	0	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	1	Alcohol	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0		
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	4
Reports into Police TOTAL:	2	Fly tipping / flyposting	0
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	2
Online	0	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	0
Verbal	2	Drug litter	0
E-CINS cases (multi-agency reporting)	0	Hazards	2
Media Reports TOTAL:	5		
Press release/Community magazines	0		
Social media posts	5	Community events attended	8
Admin hours	23.5	School contact	7
Vulnerable people welfare checks	2	Youth engagement	12
Signposting	17	Reports to DVLA	0
Safeguarding referral	1	Reports to Operation Crackdown	0

### KEY:

ASB: Anti-social behaviour

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

**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**

During November we are pleased to report that we were not called to any anti-social behaviour hotspots within the parish. We did receive complaints about anti-social parking (see below) and the anti-social and criminal activities of those dealing drugs within the parish. We have continued to encourage reporting to Sussex Police or Crimestoppers.

### Parking/Vehicles/Road



On Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> November, due to the closure of Church Hill amid safety concerns from the large amount of rainfall in the district, Ross joined Parish Clerk Harry Quenault, Councillor Jon Campbell, local residents and our colleagues Chris Poore (Storrington Warden) & Christina Arnold (Ashington Warden) to help make sure children and their parents could cross the road safely and to prevent drivers from mounting the pavements. This presence helped to keep people safe and helped to keep the traffic moving.

#### School parking issues

We are pleased to report that Pulborough Parish Council have been liaising with WSCC and permission has been given to recruit a lollipop person for St Mary's Primary School. Further work will be carried out in the new year regarding a potential school crossing.

### **Road issues**

We have reported the poor road condition around the drain covers along London Road to WSCC Highways, case reference 3256989. We have received the following response:

We have investigated your enquiry and already have a job with our contractor to repair this issue in accordance with our timescales. If this is considered a safety issue then this could be up to 28 days, depending on severity.





We are frequently asked about what can be done about vehicles being driven with no road tax or valid MOT, these can be reported by members of the public using the links below:

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





Whilst out on foot patrol on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November we noticed two lots of graffiti that sadly our removal wipes were not suitable to remove. These were reported to our colleagues at Hop Oast Depot.

Offensive graffiti at Cousins Way reported to HDC for removal reference 3644966 of 22/11/2023

Graffiti tag at Lower Street reported to HDC for removal reference 3645000 of 22/11/2023

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

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>

Stray shopping trolleys can be reported on the Trolleywise app on your phone.



### Community Engagement/Events/Meetings

### **Quarterly Warden Team Meeting**

On Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November we attended the quarterly warden team meeting at Parkside, Horsham. The meeting is a great forum to discuss ongoing projects, Parish specific or shared issues and to share best practice within the rest of our wider warden team. We also have inputs from other departments within HDC who can support our work in a variety of ways.

### Games & Well Being Café

On Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> November Louisa visited the Baptist Churches Games & Well Being Café in the Rother Hall at the Village Hall. The group regularly has 15-20 attendees, and it is always great to see the competitive nature of those playing the variety of games available! As well as the laughter and chatter in the room. Louise who runs the group then talks the group through a selection of chair and breathing exercises.

### The (Monday) Hub

We have continued our regular visits to The Hub held at Pulborough Library when on duty on a Monday. On Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November Louisa was accompanied by new Neighbourhood Warden (for Horsham) Oscar Johnson who was spending time learning about the warden role. We would like to thank the attendees and organisers of The Hub for welcoming Oscar and sharing their biscuits!

### **Bi-annual All Staff Briefing**

We attended the six-monthly all staff briefing held at The Capitol in Horsham on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> November. The staff briefing enables HDC staff to hear an update from the Senior Leadership Team about a variety of issues impacting the council and projects the council are working on.

#### Craft Café

Louisa was welcomed to the Craft Café at the United Reformed Church on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> November. It was great to hear of the support being given to the Family Support Work (FSW) Charity, see the amazing crafts produced by the very talented ladies attending and Louisa was able to give an update on the Pulborough Pantry (Community Fridge).

### **Pulborough Shedders Grand Opening**

After many months of meetings, moral and technical support, we were incredibly pleased and honoured to be invited to the official opening of the Pulborough Shedders on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November.

The event was extremely well attended (and catered for!) with great support from new and existing members, the Parish Council and supporting community members.





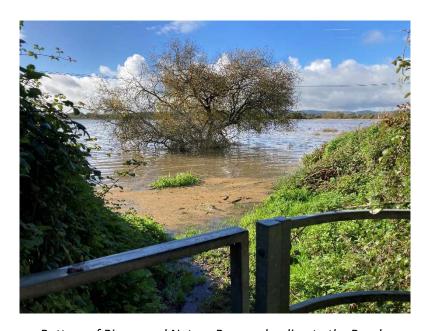
Len Ellis-Brown, Parish Council Chair cutting the ribbon and declaring the temporary base open.





### Patrols (foot/visible and car)

As part of our regular foot and vehicle patrols, we have been keeping a close eye on the Parish in particular the water levels of late which have been causing issues in the area amongst roads and some building and businesses.



Bottom of Rivermead Nature Reserve leading to the Brooks

During November we have been joined on patrol by two new wardens who have joined our wider warden team at Horsham District Council this month. On Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November we were joined by John Sampson who will be working in Storrington and Sullington and on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November and Monday 27<sup>th</sup> November we were joined by Oscar Johnson who will be working in Horsham Town covering Denne, Trafalgar and Forest neighbourhoods. John spent time assisting us to provide support to a homeless person in Pulborough and Oscar came with us on our Tuesday visit to St Mary's Primary and Monday visit to The Hub. Both also patrolled with us by vehicle checking our fly tipping hot spots.

### Older, Vulnerable People and Youth

### **Vulnerable People**

Pulborough was visited by a homeless person for just under a week, during November and it was wonderful to see how the community pulled together to provide help and support to them and hopefully make their stay with us a better one.

#### Youth

Other Tuesday commitments in November meant that we were not able to visit St Mary's Primary School quite as much as usual this month, but we were lucky enough to introduce our new team colleague Oscar to the children when he joined us. Oscar got to see how beneficial interacting with the children is from a young age, building trust and chatting to them about how we can help them, which we hope will pay dividends in the years ahead. Although being dragged around the playground and being 'put in jail' by the reception children was an eye-opener for Oscar!

### Dog Related Issues

### **Dog Fouling**

We have received complaints about dog fouling in a private road in Pulborough and we are giving advice to the complainants regarding their options to resolve the issues.

Dog fouling can also be reported via the HDC website:

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

#### **Dog Attacks**

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. <a href="https://www.sussex.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/">https://www.sussex.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime/</a>

#### **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.* 

### **Parish Specific**

### St Mary's Primary School Fireworks

We were asked at short notice by the PTA to assist on the evening with marshalling as the marshal team was missing a member, which would have put the display in jeopardy. Thankfully, Louisa was able to step in, the weather was kind and there was a great turnout who were able to enjoy another fabulous display by Aurora Fireworks and PTA event. Well done to the PTA!





### **Pulborough Pantry (Community Fridge)**

November has seen our joint initiative with Pulborough Parish Council move forward in leaps and bounds. We have had several meetings with Kevin & Maria Lee regarding social media and promotion of the pantry scheme and looked at signing up to HUBBUB which is an organisation which co-ordinates the Community Fridge Network across the UK. As well as researching and signing up to the relevant apps and websites to arrange food waste collections.

A dedicated Facebook page for the Pulborough Pantry was then created by the newly formed admin team as well as an Instagram account.

https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61553806280632

### https://www.instagram.com/pulboroughpantry/

On Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November, accompanied by Parish Councillor Kevin Lee we visited local supermarkets and smaller food outlets such as Morrisons, Greggs and Costa at Billingshurst and One Stop at Storrington to discuss food availability with them and to confirm which websites and apps they use for food collections.

Although the main focus of a Community Fridge is to prevent useable food going to landfill it was felt that if we could also gather a stock of non-perishable, longer life goods in addition to the perishable foods collected from supermarkets and other local food outlets, we could do more to support those within the parish who are being impacted by the cost of living crisis. Maria came up with the idea of a raffle to raise additional funds at the Parish Council Christmas Market to be held on Friday 1<sup>st</sup> December and we have worked hard on promoting both the event and the raffle.

We also used the newly created social media platforms to put a call out for volunteers which has been extremely positive.

We will have lots more to update on in our December report.



## Open to everyone!



Coming soon to Pulborough...
A community fridge to help
reduce food waste





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

https://www.facebook.com/HDWardens

https://twitter.com/HorshamWardens