

# Warden Monthly Report

September 2022 – Pulborough Parish

<b>Patrol hours TOTAL:</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) incidents TOTAL:</b>	<b>7</b>
Foot (high visibility)	45	Noise	2
Vehicle	19	Neighbours	2
<b>Notices/warnings TOTAL:</b>	<b>2</b>	Driving/vehicles	3
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Bicycles	0
Yellow card warning	0	Alcohol	0
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Parking alert	2	<b>Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>Police reports TOTAL:</b>	<b>3</b>	Fly tipping / flyposting	0
Phone (including 101 and 999)	1	Graffiti	0
Email	1	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	2
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)	2	Drug litter	1
Verbal	0	Hazards	0
<b>Media Reports TOTAL:</b>	<b>13</b>		
Press release/Community magazines	1		
Social media posts	12	<b>Community events attended</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>Admin</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>School contact</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>Visits to vulnerable people (all ages)</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Youth engagement</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Signposting</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Reports to DVLA</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Safeguarding referral</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Reports to Operation Crackdown</b>	<b>0</b>

## ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) crime

We received a report from a local resident that they had found a new looking trimmer and lawn mower discarded in the hedge near to their property and they had taken them in for safe keeping. We carried out some enquiries at the 'Stopham Plotters allotments which was nearby to where the items were located and are really pleased that in doing so, we managed to establish who they belonged to and returned both to their owners.



We have received further complaints about youths congregating and drug dealing in the vicinity of the memorial gardens and Lower Street Car Park. There were also three thefts of catalytic convertors from vehicles parked in the car park during the time of the Harvest Fair. We also noticed and reported that the electronic social screen in the car park has been smashed. We are in the process of obtaining some signs from Horsham District Council to put up in the car park to try and encourage reporting of any incidents to the Police as this will help to direct more resources into the area. We will also raise the car park again as a 'hotspot' at the multi-agency meeting that is held once a month and chaired by the Police Inspector. Again, this will highlight the area as an issue and will hopefully enable some Police resources to be dedicated to the area.



## Parking/vehicles

We have continued to leave warning notices on cars blocking the dropped kerb area opposite the library which is making it more difficult for a partially sighted resident to cross the road safely.

## Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

We have continued to monitor our fly tipping hotspots in the parish and are pleased that these have remained clear this month. We have assisted with litter picks in pocket park and the recreation ground and have not seen or been notified of any new graffiti. We were disappointed however to have received a report about smashed bottles near to the playground at the recreation ground.

## Community engagement/events/meetings

Ross met with the Storrington & Pulborough Rotary Club at a coffee morning at the Chanctonbury Leisure Centre to discuss joint project work and future project funding availability.

Ross attended the Village Market which provides an opportunity to discuss local matters with both members of the public and parish councillors who are in attendance.

We attended the multi-agency Community Drop-in at the United Reformed Church on Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September. Although the event was not well attended by the public, we found the morning an extremely positive networking opportunity. It was useful to put faces to names and to learn more about the different services that other agencies provide. A large part of our role as wardens involves signposting and making referrals so it was a great way to improve our working knowledge.



# Community Drop-ins

**Looking for help?**  
Come along and talk to  
an adviser in an informal  
and relaxed environment

**NO  
APPOINTMENT  
NEEDED**



For more information,  
please email [liz.burt@horsham.gov.uk](mailto:liz.burt@horsham.gov.uk)



On Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> we spent the day at the Pulborough Harvest Fair, which had over 80 stalls this year and an extremely high footfall of people. It was a fantastic opportunity for us to speak to lots of residents, local businesses and councillors and we were even able to spend a little bit of time with our own families who were also there.



## 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.

On Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> September we were joined by Horsham District Councils Chief Executive Jane Eaton. Jane spent three hours with us where she met with Parish Clerk Heather Knight and Deputy Clerk Nick Wiltshire. She then joined us for a foot patrol around the village and the recreation ground where we had the opportunity to discuss with her our concerns about the lack of both sporting and youth provisions in Pulborough. Jane was very open to our thoughts, and it was a useful discussion. We also introduced Jane to the service users of the Wednesday lunch club at the Village Hall.

We have conducted foot patrols in Lower Street, engaging with local businesses and additional foot patrols in Carpenters Meadow where there have been some reports of ASB. We are also regularly patrolling the Lower Street car park following the complaints of drug dealing in the area.

We have visited the railway station and conducted foot patrols in the vicinity following reports of anti-social behaviour at the end of the school day.

## Older, vulnerable people and youth

Our fully funded, free Youth Boxing Programme started this month and we have held 3 sessions so far. We have seen a positive number of children attending. After just the first session it was so rewarding to hear one young person say, "that was the best evening ever!"

We attended the Caring Café at the United Reformed Church for the first time this month. It was informative to be able to speak to those using the service and to see how we can help to increase the numbers of those attending

We visited the Craft Café at the United Reformed Church. Always a good opportunity to speak to the older members of our community and have coffee and cake!

We have attended the Wednesday lunch club twice this month and have found it an especially useful way of hearing about and discussing the concerns of the older members

## Dog related issues

We have received a complaint about some aggressive dogs not being kept on leads by their owners. We have signed posted the complainant to Sussex Police who investigate dog attacks and out of control dogs as Horsham District Council do not have a Dog Warden service.

## Cycling

We have received no cycling related complaints this month.

## Parish specific/other

We have also been in discussions with Chanctonbury Leisure Centre in Storrington regarding holding two different FREE first aid courses for residents in Pulborough. One course called "Save a Baby's Life" is a 2-hour session, ideal for parents and grandparents, that runs through how to react in an emergency focussing on babies & toddlers under 5 years of age. Another course called "Defib Awareness" is a 1-hour session which teaches attendees how to perform CPR (Cardiopulmonary Resuscitation) and to use a defibrillator correctly. The course focusses on female patients as a staggering 37,000 women suffer heart attacks each year. More information coming soon.

We are busy forging ahead with two of our community projects. The **Pulborough Community Fridge** and The **Pulborough Time Bank**. We have some incredibly supportive volunteers who have come forward to help us with both, but we are hoping for more. We hope to hold a meeting about the community fridge during October and are planning a visit to another area that has a successful time bank already operating.

## WHY JOIN A TIME BANK?

- To meet new friends
- Try something new
- Help others and get help yourself
- Feel part of the community
- Improve employment prospects
- Doesn't cost anything except time!
- Earn time credits every time your help is accepted
- Spend credits to get help for yourself



### Community Garden

We have been in discussions with a local resident and business owner about setting up a community garden on land that they would like to 'donate' to the community. This would provide growing space for members of the community for personal use, with any excess being made available to others via the Community Fridge.



### Social media/press

We have written our second article for the Pulborough Community News this month and have continued to post quality, relevant content to social media, in particular, to promote our new @Pulborough.Wardens Instagram account.