



NEIGHBOURHOOD
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Horsham
District
Council



Denne, Trafalgar, and Forest Neighbourhood Councils

Neighbourhood Warden Report July 2025

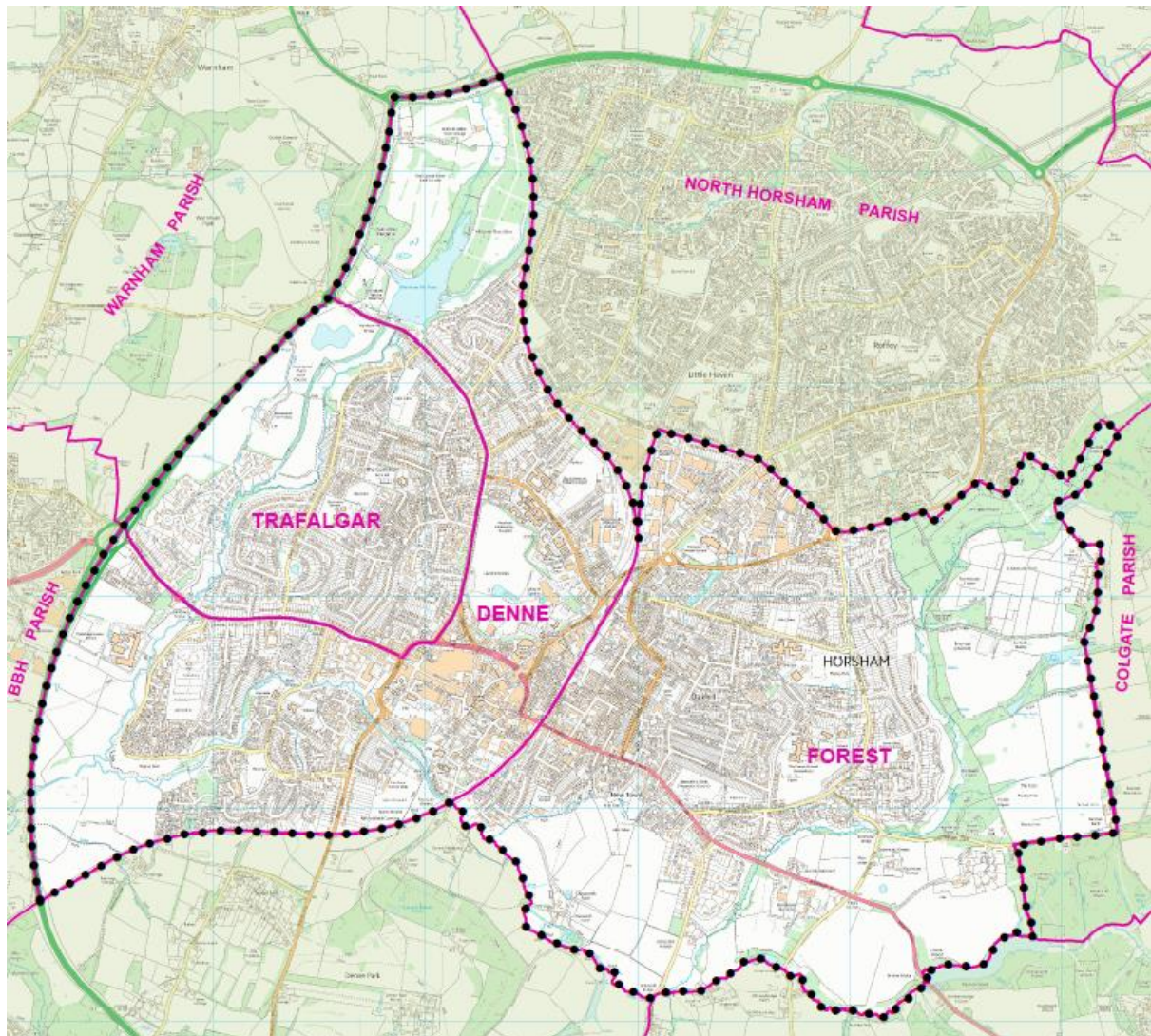
Patrols

In July, we were on patrol in the community for a total of 132 hours 35 minutes. This higher figure was due to working alternative Saturdays to cover the events this month. This allowed us to complete Hotspot patrols and provide a high visibility presence in Horsham.

Patrol time included 68 hours 35 minutes in Denne. Most of the time in Denne is spent in the town centre. This gives us an opportunity to link in with the shops and businesses, market, residents, and young people. We completed numerous joint patrols with the police's Horsham Town Team (team of six local PCSOs).

We spent 33 hours in Forest which included covering areas such as Bennetts Field and New Street.

We spent 31 hours in Trafalgar this month and attended the Trafalgar Infant School Summer Fair with PCSOs Kyle Berriman and Sophie Norman.



Community engagement/events/meetings.

Friday Night Lates:

We continue to attend the 'Friday Night Lates' at Horsham Carfax bandstand. These remain extremely popular with local residents, and residents from outside of our neighbourhoods. Most notably, the ABBA tribute night was the most popular in July with an amazing turnout. These events give us the opportunity to interact and speak with members of the community along with allowing us to show a highly visible presence.



Horsham Market:

We continue to stay in close contact with Horsham Market and speak with the market stall holders. Horsham Market is a wonderful hub of the community and, as always, we would encourage anyone to attend on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday.



Street briefing with PCSO Laws:

We continue to attend street briefings hosted by Sussex Police. This month we were, again, on New Street. Attending these briefings allows us to gain a valuable insight into many local issues that residents may be facing. This also gives residents a great opportunity to speak with their local PCSO and ourselves.



Strawford Centre Annual Culture Day:

This month we attended the Strawford Centre Annual Culture Day with PCSO Sophie Norman and PCSO Chrissie Symmons. This event gave us a great opportunity to speak with some of the vulnerable members of our community, offer advice and guidance on keeping safe, both out in the community and at home. We had our own stand at the event and we also managed to see other stands and network with different organisations and partners.



Sussex Police and Anti-Social Behaviour

Sussex Police:

As Neighbourhood Wardens we have been in contact with our Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) this month and continue to share information with them. We have a dedicated 'Town Team' of six PCSOs. During July, we had approximately 15 calls with the PCSO Town Team, and we completed 12 joint patrols. Your Town Team consists of PCSO Bell, PCSO Berriman, PCSO De Barros, PCSO Fitzpatrick, PCSO Mill and PCSO Ross. We will be joining the Town Team over the coming months to host street briefings in the town centre.

In Forest Neighbourhood, PCSO Christina Laws is the local PCSO. We will be continuing to join PCSO Laws over the coming months to host street briefings in the Forest Neighbourhood.

In Trafalgar Neighbourhood, PCSO Kyle Berriman is the local PCSO. We meet with PCSO Berriman frequently to discuss the Trafalgar Neighbourhood and attend community events together.

If there are any community events you believe would benefit from a visit from the Neighbourhood Wardens and / or PCSOs, then please get in touch with us and this can be arranged.

Anti-Social Behaviour:

This month we teamed up with our Community Safety Officer and Police Sergeant Dave Broome to visit and speak with residents of The Forum, to gain some valuable insights into any issues they may face near their homes. This gave the residents a great opportunity to feed back any concerns they may have, where they think improvements are needed and report any crime they may have witnessed or encountered in the area. It also allowed us to reassure the residents that we are working together to improve their space.

Cycling

This month we have seen an increase in cycling on West Street, potentially due to the summer break. We have asked 25 cyclists to dismount, all 25 dismounted and were educated on the restrictions of cycling on West Street.

Bike thefts are still prevalent, and members of the public can order their own anti-theft stickers from The Bike Register <https://www.bikeregister.com/>

Sussex Police have also shared information on how to secure your bike appropriately: <https://www.sussex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/how-safe-is-your-bike/>

Older residents, vulnerable people and youth

Youth engagement:

We have spoken with several of our 'known' young people this month. We have engaged with young people 15 times this month. We continue to focus on building these relationships as this is the foundation for so much of our work.

School engagement:

This month we attended the Trafalgar Infant School Summer Fair with PCSO Kyle Berriman and PCSO Sophie Norman. This was a great opportunity for us to interact with members of the Trafalgar community and for children to see some of the equipment used by the police, have a look around one of their police cars and meet the friendly neighbourhood policing team.



Vulnerable Residents:

This month we have been in contact with 10 members of our community who are potentially vulnerable. We continue to signpost to support and ensure services working with these residents are kept up to date.

We encourage members of the public to support local charities such as Horsham Matters <https://www.horsham-matters.org.uk/> and Turning Tides <https://www.turning-tides.org.uk/> should they wish to donate to support anyone they believe to be homeless.

Signposting:

We've had 135 conversations described as 'signposting' this month. This can be anything from our local foodbanks and community fridge to advising on the best way to report crime. During our foot patrols we spend a lot of time discussing with residents the support and resources available to them. Please see our resources page (Attached in the email you received with this report) for the services we regularly signpost to.

Reporting crime and anti-social behaviour

999	101	Crimestoppers.	British Transport Police	Horsham District Council
<p>📞 999</p> <p>or report online www.sussex.police.uk</p>	<p>📞 101</p> <p>or report online www.sussex.police.uk</p>	<p>📞 0800 555 111</p> <p>crime stoppers-uk.org</p>	<p>📞 0800 40 50 40</p> <p>Text 61016</p>	<p>communitysafety@horsham.gov.uk</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• A crime is happening now.• Someone is in immediate danger or at risk of harm.• Property is in danger of being seriously damaged.• A serious disruption to the public is likely.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• All non-emergency incidents where the crime has already happened or there is no immediate risk of harm.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• To report crime 100% anonymously.• Crimestoppers is not the police – it is an independent charity working to help communities.• Information given will be shared anonymously with the police.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Non-emergency incidents on a train or at a station can be reported direct to the British Transport Police online: www.btp.police.uk/reportcrime.• There is also a Railway Guardian app.	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Report general anti-social behaviour and repeated public nuisance to the ASB team at Horsham District Council.• You can also report litter, fly-tipping, graffiti, dogs and dog fouling online: www.horsham.gov.uk/report.

See it. Report it.
Reporting crime and ASB means we can work together to reduce it.

Horsham District Community Safety Partnership

Horsham District Council

Safeguarding:

Our approach to safeguarding has changed at Horsham District Council. Now, we have Safeguarding Champions who are trained within the Council. This is in response to WSCC having an incredibly high demand of safeguarding referrals. This will ensure we have tried to utilise all resources and services available before we complete an official safeguarding referral.

Safeguarding is still a constant responsibility and although we did not complete any official safeguarding referrals to WSCC in June, we continue to signpost and refer to services of support for those who require help.

Youth Volunteering Opportunity:

We are still advertising for some volunteers (aged 15-17) to help with our Dungeons and Dragons Club which we hope to start soon in Horsham. Please share this advert with as many people as you can as it is a wonderful opportunity.

We have a provisional start date of 24 September 2025.

<https://volunteerhorshamdistrict.co.uk/opportunity/dungeons-and-dragons-dungeon-master-volunteer-732>



Youth Volunteer Role Profile

'Dungeons and Dragons' Dungeon Master Volunteer

Volunteer Role: Dungeon Master for Dungeons and Dragons club

Volunteer Supervisors: Oscar Johnson and Jordan Cornall-Saunders

Location: Horsham Youth Centre Hurst Road

When: Wednesdays 16:00 – 18:00, Fortnightly or Monthly based on demand

What?

The Horsham Neighbourhood Wardens (Oscar and Jordan) are hoping to begin a Dungeons and Dragons club for young people aged 11-17. The club will be located at Horsham Youth Centre on Hurst Road on a Wednesday 16:00 – 18:00. The group will run either monthly, fortnightly or fortnightly with two separate groups, depending on demand.

Who we are looking for:

We are looking for young people, ideally aged 15-17, who are willing to lead a group of young people in a Dungeons and Dragons Campaign.

Beneficial skills:

- Experience in being a Dungeon Master or willingness to learn independently.
- Patience, Kindness, Leadership Skills and readiness to have Fun
- Acceptance of potentially high noise level

What you can gain from Volunteering:

- Fantastic for your CV
- Volunteering for Duke of Edinburgh Award
- Teamwork, Communication, Leadership, Organisational Skills and more

What is Provided:

- Player Handbook, Monster Manual,
- 2 Campaign Books and Map Books
- Dice and Figures
- Pencils, Rubbers, Paper, Whiteboards and other Stationery

For more information, an informal chat or to apply please contact:

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