

Warden Monthly Report

STEYNING, BRAMBER AND UPPER BEEDING

OCTOBER 2023

Hi vis Patrol hours TOTAL:	60	ASB incidents TOTAL:	1
Foot - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding	10/3/6	Noise	1
Vehicle - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding	25/6/10	Neighbours	0
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	4	Driving/vehicles	0
Verbal warning	0	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	4	Alcohol	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0		
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	9
Reports into Police TOTAL:	3	Fly tipping / flyposting	2
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	3
Online	1	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	0
Verbal	2	Drug litter	0
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)	0	Hazards	4
Media Reports TOTAL:	2		
Press release/Community magazines	0		
Social media posts	2	Community events attended	0
Admin, Training, Meetings & Events	87	School contact	5
Vulnerable people welfare checks	5	Youth engagement	5
Signposting	6	Reports to DVLA	0
Safeguarding referral	0	Reports to Operation Crackdown	4

ASB crime

Steyning

We were made aware of a person that may have been following a group of young people. We signposted the caller to make an official police report. We patrolled the area in the early evening and looked out for a person that matched the description given. We spoke with the PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) to make sure we both had all the information that was available regarding this issue.

We received a report of a person sitting on a bench in a residential area, playing loud music at night and drinking alcohol. We contacted the housing officer that covers the property and will add the location to our evening patrols. We also made the PCSO aware.

Bramber

None to report.

Upper Beeding

None to report.

Parking/vehicles

Steyning

We have had further discussions with Horsham District Councils parking team and the police in reference to the car that has been left in the High Street car park. The PCSO for the area continued to try and contact family members, the car has now been removed.

Bramber

None to report.

Upper Beeding

Two parking alerts have been issued, and two Operation Crackdown reports submitted for a van that was parked on a junction (Manor Road).

Two parking alerts have been issued for a van that was parked too close to the junction (Manor Road – this is a different vehicle to above). An Operation Crackdown report has also been made.

We signposted residents to report to Operation Crackdown when they experience obstructive parking when it is too close to a junction.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

Steyning

We reported fly tipping on Titch Hill. We also reported graffiti for removal on the digital communications board in Fletchers Croft car park, on an HDC bin on the public footpath by Coxham Lane, and on a HDC bin on Bramber Road.

Bramber

We reported fly tipping that had been left on Annington Road to Horsham District Council to be collected.

Upper Beeding

None to report.

Community engagement/events/meetings

We have arranged Community Drop-ins where members of the public from Steyning, Bramber and Upper Beeding are welcome to meet the Neighbourhood Wardens and ask any questions they may have regarding community safety. These will be held on the following dates:

18th November – Steyning Library 12:00-13:30

16th December - Steyning Library 12:00-13:30

13th January – Upper Beeding Village Hall at the Repair Café 14:00-15:30

10th February – Upper Beeding Village Hall at the Repair Café 14:00-15:30

9th March – Upper Beeding Village Hall at the Repair Café 14:00-15:30

We met with the manager of Cobblestone Walk to discuss the possibility of holding our board games club at the Paws for Tea rooms. We will meet again to confirm dates, times, and costs. The board game club will be open to all and will be an intergenerational project to tackle isolation and loneliness and to break down barriers that can lead to perceptions of feeling unsafe when in the community.

We have submitted funding applications from the Wilson Memorial Trust and the Police Property Act Fund to try to raise some money to be used on the board games club and the games room at Dingemans.

We met with the two new Anti-Social Behaviour Caseworker/Community Safety Officers for Horsham District Council. We showed them the main areas that we received reports of ASB.

We completed online Risk Assessment training.

Steyning

We had a meeting with the pastoral care team at Steyning Grammar School to update them on students we have concerns over. The police also attended this meeting. There were not many students that the school wanted to bring to our attention. We will be looking at holding more meetings to improve information sharing with the school. We have passed on the contact details of one of the teachers as a direct point of contact for the Co-op who have needed to identify students in the past.

We met with the organisers of the Steyning Festival and will be getting involved in the event this year by supporting the community-based events.

We hosted the Dingemans social club and the numbers have been improving. We also met with the manager to confirm that the games room project can still go ahead and that we can get started on bringing this idea to life. We have been carrying out planning and have submitted funding applications to raise money for some of the features of the room that we would like to introduce. We are also working with Fresh Start who are keeping an eye out for us for certain items that may become available through their house clearances.

Bramber

None to report.

Upper Beeding

We have organised a poster competition at Upper Beeding primary school for the year 5 and 6 students. This will be focused on reducing speeding on the roads. We are holding the competition during Road Safety week in November and the top 3 designs will be made into posters that will be on display across Steyning, Bramber and Upper Beeding. The winners will receive book vouchers.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

Steyning

- High Street
- Bus Shelter
- MPF
- Fletchers Croft

Bramber

- Bramber Castle
- Botolph's Church

Upper Beeding

- Playing field
- Small dole skate park
- Beeding Hill/Truleigh Hill

Older, vulnerable people and youth

Steyning

We carried out a welfare check on a person that has been living in a van for a few weeks. They were ok and did not need any further help.

We engaged with a group of young people that were outside the Steyning Centre. They were interested in the car and asked lots of questions about our role as Wardens. We later saw the same group in the High Street and they came to speak with us at the bus shelter. We advised one of the group to get some lights for their bike, as they did not have any.

We gave a talk at Steyning Primary school to introduce ourselves to the year 6 students. We invited PC Sally Scott to join us to give a presentation on exploitation and drug awareness.

Bramber

There was a group of young people that had left their bikes on the bend of the entrance to Bramber Castle, which was obstructing cars from passing. We spoke with the group and asked them to move their bikes, which they did, and pointed out the safety concerns.

Upper Beeding

We arranged a meeting with the assistant head teacher at the Towers site of Steyning Grammar school. This meeting is to introduce ourselves, to find out if there are any vulnerable students we need to be aware of and to see what future projects we can work on together.

Dog related issues

We signposted a resident to report to the police an incident they had witnessed where a dog was behaving in a way that they found to be intimidating.

Steyning

We signposted a District Councillor to encourage members of the public that have witnessed out of control dogs/dangerous dogs to contact the police and the SBUB wardens (if within our Parishes) to inform us of times to patrol certain locations to deter the behaviour. If outside of our patch, we advised to also contact HDC's Community Safety team.

We were contacted by a person that had received a letter from HDC's Community Safety team regarding dogs they were walking. We requested the Community Safety Team call them back to discuss the letter as we had not been involved with the initial report. We also supported the caller by looking into Facebook comments that they had found upsetting on local Facebook pages. We advised on the Public Space Protection Order (PSPO), how they can keep themselves safe on walks and signposted them to report to the Facebook Help Centre for social media concerns.

Bramber

None to report.

Upper Beeding

None to report.

Cycling

None to report.

Parish specific/other

We have made social media posts about how to stay safe this Halloween and provided a link to a Sussex police poster that can be printed and displayed in windows of homes to welcome or deter trick or treaters.



Steyning

Four ambulances had been called to a property in Church Road which meant the road was blocked. We redirected traffic to help relieve the build-up of traffic.

We came across a PSPO (Public Space Protection Order) sign that had been taken down/broken. We recovered it and will try to locate where it has come down from.

We called the Salvation Army to report an overflowing clothes donations bank in the Fletchers Croft car park. There are as many as 40 bags outside of the collection bin and unfortunately were out in the heavy rain, hopefully the contents can still be salvaged. We emailed the British Heart Foundation to report the overflowing books donation bin. Both have now been cleared.

We came across a damaged bus timetable sign on Henderson Walk, most likely from exposure to the weather, and requested a repair from Compass Travel.

Bramber

None to report.

Upper Beeding

None to report.

