

Warden Monthly Report

STEYNING, BRAMBER AND UPPER BEEDING

March 2026

Hi vis Patrol hours TOTAL:	59	ASB incidents TOTAL:	1
Foot - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding	44	Noise	0
Vehicle - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding	15	Neighbours	0
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	4	Driving/vehicles	0
Verbal warning	1	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	3	E-scooters	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0	Alcohol	1
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	4
Reports into Police TOTAL:	8	Fly tipping / flyposting	1
Phone (including 101 and 999)	1	Graffiti	1
Online	1	Dog fouling	1
Intelligence report	6	Litter	0
Verbal	0	Drug litter	0
		Hazards	1
Media Reports TOTAL:	9		
Press release/Community magazines	1		
Social media posts	8	Community events attended	18
Admin	8.75	School contact	7
Vulnerable people welfare checks	2	Youth engagement	9
Signposting	1	Reports to DVLA	1
Safeguarding referral	0	Reports to Operation Crackdown	1

ASB crime

Steyning:

- We received a call from the Co-op, Steyning High Street. They have come across a couple who are stealing (mainly alcohol) from the shop. After viewing footage, we shared this with our PCSO who recognised the female from this couple. Tracy (PCSO) will look deeper into this.
- At the beginning of March in the early hours of one morning (between 03:00-04:00), three vehicles were targeted. One was stolen from Steyning; after checking with the Police, it was last seen on an Automatic number plate recognition camera (ANPR) in Hampshire! The second car was broken into, but nothing was taken. More detail under Upper Beeding.
- We received a call from the Head Teachers personal assistant at Steyning Grammar. Parents and a gardener have reported a male, all dressed in black, wearing a black helmet. They say he was looking at female students inappropriately. Our local PCSO has been made aware, as have the local primary schools. We have been patrolling the school and surrounding area on a regular basis this month. We have a picture of this person now (minus the crash helmet). He did approach one of the female students who was with friends. She reported it straight to the school. Nothing untoward was said or had happened. We will continue to patrol the area for the foreseeable future. **Update:** The young man was eventually picked up by the Police. He is living with Autism. His parents have explained that he wouldn't be aware that his behaviour is a problem. He was taken home to Worthing.
- We received a complaint from the Parish Council regarding four youths walking along Charlton Street who punched and kicked at a front door for no reason. The owner of the property discretely followed the group and took pictures of the youths. We paid a visit to the property with Tracy (PCSO) to reassure the victim. The

pictures have been sent to our contact at Steyning grammar to try and identify the youths. Due to their age, we believe they may reside at the boarding School.

- We have had similar incidents at the end of the month. We again have pictures of the youths involved. They are much younger than before. One of the parents has apologised to the victim of this ASB. Again, we are trying to identify the other older youths involved. **Update:** The four older youths have now been identified. They attend Steyning boarding School. Unfortunately, the Easter break means they have gone home. The school are keen for us to go in when they return to speak to the youths involved.

Bramber:

- **Please see heading under Upper Beeding Re: Tent along River Adur.**
- On recent patrols of Bramber Castle, it is obvious there is a lot of sexual activity going on. Councillor Jill Cannon tirelessly litter picks the area. This isn't deterring people coming back (We are assuming at night). Our local PCSO is aware. It may well be worthwhile the Parish councils getting together to discuss options here. A lockable gate would be an idea. This would not stop residents using the grounds for what they are intended for. We believe stopping cars turning up at night would reduce this kind of unsightly behaviour.

Upper Beeding:

- As detailed above under Steyning (Re: ASB crime) The third car was broken into, and some loose change had been taken. Apart from the vehicle that was stolen the owners of the other two cars (Steyning also) did not report it to the Police, we found out about them on social media. We have urged anyone who is a victim of crime/ASB to report it to the Police no matter how trivial they may think it is.
- We were called by a resident of Adur View, Dawn Crescent, who reported that a couple had erected a tent by the River Adur and were behaving anti socially. They were playing music loudly late at night and leaving their rubbish all over the grass. We visited the location the following morning to find the area had been cleaned up, the tent and its occupants had left the area. We will monitor this area as part of our patrols of Upper Beeding and Bramber

UPDATES FROM FEBRUARY:

- The resident who had workmen round to clear the pathway and guttering at her property did return for payment. The resident was happy with the work they did and paid the original fee that was agreed. To date, we have not received any information that these men have returned to SBUB.
- The company who collects clothes from the clothes bank outside Upper Beeding Primary School did return and parked illegally outside the School gates at the time children are being dropped off to School. I contacted the company directly to inform them of the situation and the dangers it poses for the children. They apologised and informed me this wont happen again. So far the van collecting form the clothes bank has not returned during dropping off/on times.
- Age UK will be attending our next board games café at Penfold Hall, Steyning.

Parking/vehicles

Steyning:

- We are carrying out more patrols of Steyning Grammar School to ensure parents are parking their cars responsibly. Parents are listening and we hope this will continue.

Bramber:

- Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding:

- We have carried out multiple patrols at Upper Beeding Primary School this month. Parents seem to be parking more responsibly. Unfortunately we have had to issue two parking alerts to two different parents who still think it's ok to park on zigzags/double yellow lines.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

Steyping:

- The Bus Stop at the junction of Bramber Road and Bostal Road is covered in graffiti. There is also graffiti on the litter bin next to it. We have reported both to Horsham District Council for removal.



Graffiti at junction of Bramber Road/Bostal Road.

Bramber:

- As already explained, used condoms and packages found in the grounds of Bramber Castle. Very unsightly! Jill Cannon litter picked the area this month..



Upper Beeding:

- We received a complaint regarding old fencing had been dumped in the twitten next to a house that was having renovation work carried out in Manor Road. We spoke to the homeowner who was very apologetic, stating they were having work done and it was an oversight on their part. They would make plans to have it removed. We will check next week to make sure this has happened. **Update:** Materials have now been removed.

Community engagement/events/meetings

Steyping:

- We held our Board Games Café at the Penfold Hall in Steyning this month. This is always a popular event; we have a regular group who always support us.
- We met up with the WalkFit group three times this month. Our PCSO (Tracy) kindly joined us to meet the residents who take part. They had the opportunity to find out what is going on in the Parishes from a Police perspective and to ask any questions they wanted.
- We attended the Farmers Market. There were no issues reported to us. The market was busy, due to the good weather, lots of shoppers visited the market.
- We held our drop in for residents at Steyning Leisure Centre this month. The staff there are very helpful, they have advertised the event and let customers know when we are in. We spoke to residents regarding anti-social behaviour in the area, residents are encouraged to report incidents to the Police, calling 101 or online. It's a great opportunity for us to meet as many residents as possible. We also finalised details with staff at the Leisure Centre who are supporting the Neighbourhood Wardens day at the Steyning Festival.



Staff at Steyning Leisure Centre

- Attended the Good Grief Café this month. Judy and the volunteers have set up an amazing service here. I engaged with a few residents, ranging from talking about a recent loss and the grief it can cause. We signposted two men who are struggling with hearing. They want to learn lip reading. We will look into this for them in more detail. Another resident wanted to make us aware of an issue with a neighbour that has been ongoing. This again is something we will look into. The Good Grief Café would like to involve more men at the Café. We believe John being there may encourage other men to come.
- We hosted our community event at Dingemans Court again this month. We had a darts competition. The residents are very supportive and look forward to the activities we put on. They are excited about our upcoming trip to Camelia Botnar garden centre in the minibus.
- We attended the Church Café in Steyning this month. This is always a busy event. We signposted a resident to a reputable Audiologist for him to get his hearing aids looked at.
- We met with our PCSO (Tracy) and jointly held her reassurance drop in outside the Co-Op, Steyning. This is a good opportunity to speak to residents from all three parishes.

Bramber:

- Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding:

- As a result of a referral from one of the WalkFit group, we have now teamed up with The Churchside Café and St. Peters Church, Upper Beeding. We will work together to host a Board Games Café. This will start on a monthly basis, every 2nd Thursday of the month. We will do whatever we can to make this a success.
- We held the first board games café at the Churchside Café. The proprietors were happy with all the games we brought along. It was great that Neill and Kirsty (The Vicar and his wife) attended to offer their support. We hope that this event can become a regular meeting place for local residents.
- We held our regular drop in sessions at the Hub this month. Always good to catch up with the staff and residents on a regular basis. Tracy, our PCSO was in attendance twice this month. Local residents are always pleased to see her; she can answer any concerns they may have. They run family hubs and offer a range of support, information and guidance to parents, carers and young people as part of early help. They will be attending our neighbourhood wardens day at the Steyning festival. We hope to work closely in the future with Clare, who covers SBUB as part of her role.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

Steyning

High Street
 Bus Shelter
 MPF
 Fletchers Croft
 Schools
 Mouse Lane

Bramber

Bramber Castle and nearby footpath/train line signs
 Botolph's Church

Upper Beeding

Smugglers Lane
 Playing field
 Small Dole skate park
 Beeding Hill/Truleigh Hill
 Adur Valley Court
 After school patrols

Older, vulnerable people and youth

Steyning: Engaged with many residents whilst at events and on general patrols.

Bramber: Engaged with residents on general patrols.

Upper Beeding:

- Whilst on patrol of Upper Beeding sports ground we spoke to four young people by the Bandstand (we have had reports of youths gathering and leaving smashed bottles at this location). The area was clear of any debris. We had a nice chat about events taking place in the SBUB area and how they should come along and try them out E.G: Board game cafés, youth clubs etc. It was nice to engage with our young people.
- We have spent time with young people at Upper Beeding sports round this month, especially at the start of the Easter holidays. We encouraged them to attend the youth clubs that are ongoing and to invite them to the new board games café at Churchside Café, Upper Beeding.

Small Dole:

- We were on patrol at Small Dole skate park and met up with a group of teenagers who were taking part in a cross country orienteering event. They were very polite and were asking what our role is. We explained the role of a Neighbourhood Warden and let them know of all the things that they could get involved with in the SBUB area. It was lovely to meet such nice young people.

Dog related issues

- A resident has informed us of dog fouling in and around Church Lane, Upper Beeding. We will continue to patrol the area; it can be difficult to enforce as most dog walkers pick up after their dogs when they see us. We do engage with dog walkers when we see them.

Cycling

Nothing to report.

Parish specific/other

Steyping:

- A lovely resident from Steyping who had heard about the Board Games Cafés we run, donated some games for both clubs in Steyping and Upper Beeding. This was a kind gesture which we appreciated.

Bramber:

- Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding:

- We signposted residents to Horsham District Council regarding overgrown vegetation on a tree on a public footpath. We don't believe this is causing an obstruction/hazard but they wanted details on how to report matters like this.
- At the end of one of the drop-ins at The Hub, a resident raised a concern over a note seen on a car window when they were walking home. The note said, "Help me please" and they were unsure of what to do as they were unsure if someone was in need. We had a look at the car and the note and discovered it was regarding a resident asking to borrow a car hand book. We contacted the person that left the note and requested they change the envelope due to the misunderstanding that someone could have been in danger.

We have been given additional phone numbers that we can be contacted on. You can now reach us the following ways:

Alison Page: 07734 387889 (mobile)

John Sampson: 07734 387888 (mobile)

SBUB.wardens@horsham.gov.uk

How/where to report:

Litter issues can be reported to HDC:

You can report a damaged or overflowing litter **bin**:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/report-a-damaged-or-overflowing-litter-bin>

If you witness **fly tipping in action**, please call Sussex Police and, if possible, provide them with the registration of the offending vehicle and subsequently any relevant dashcam footage you may have.

You can also report any fly-tipping you find to HDC at: <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping>

Graffiti can be reported directly to Horsham District Council via their website: <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning>

Dog related incidents:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/report/dog-attacks>

Stray Dogs can be reported to the HDC contractor on **07512 089777** but they must already be contained.

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/environmental-health/stray-dogs>