

# Warden Monthly Report

June 2024 – Pulborough Parish

<b>Patrol hours TOTAL:</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) incidents reported to us TOTAL:</b>	<b>5</b>
Foot (high visibility)	59	Noise	0
Vehicle	21	Neighbours	0
<b>Notices/warnings TOTAL:</b>	<b>1</b>	Driving/vehicles	2
Verbal warning	0	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	0	Alcohol	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0	Other	3
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	<b>Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Reports into Police TOTAL:</b>	<b>2</b>	Fly tipping / flyposting	1
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	0
Online	0	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	0
Verbal	0	Drug litter	0
E-Mail	0	Hazards	0
<b>Media Reports TOTAL:</b>	<b>3</b>		
Press release/Community magazines	0		
Social media posts	10	<b>Community events attended</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>Admin hours</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>School contact</b>	<b>4</b>
<b>Vulnerable people welfare checks</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>Youth engagement</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Signposting</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>Reports to DVLA</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Safeguarding referral</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>Reports to Operation Crackdown</b>	<b>1</b>

## KEY:

ASB: Anti-social behaviour

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/CRIME

We don't, as a matter of course, report on crime, but when it is as stupid and dangerous as this, we feel it is important to bring this action to everyone's attention.

We were made aware that concrete had been left on the railway line at the foot crossing at Riverside. Again, this incredibly stupid behaviour could have derailed a train, causing mass injury and death to many.

A passing walker removed the items from the track and the incident has been reported to the Police.



It was reported to us that some young people were smashing roof tiles and attempting to carve into the woodwork of the gate in Barn House Lane, Pulborough. We have successfully identified the individuals and have reported the incident to the Sussex Police.

## Parking/Vehicles/Road



This vehicle's illegal parking has been flagged to us before, but it recently made an appearance on Facebook, to a somewhat surprisingly mixed range of opinions... The vehicle, however, is parked illegally, and has been reported *again* to our parking team at HDC for their attention.

**To report a vehicle with no MOT and/or no tax please see links below to the Government website:**

<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



*Fly tipping found at Nutbourne Lane and reported for removal.*

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 dash cam footage you may have.

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

Abandoned shopping trolleys can be reported on the "Trolleywise" website at: [www.trolleywiseapp.co.uk](http://www.trolleywiseapp.co.uk)

You can report incidents of graffiti direct to Horsham District Council via their website:

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

## Community Engagement/Events/Meetings

### Tea Spot Caring Cafe

We visited the Caring Cafe at the United Reformed Church on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June. This is the first time in a number of months that our shifts have aligned with the Caring Cafe's schedule, and we have been able to attend. As usual the men's table were engrossed in their Dominoes tournament and the woman thrived in conversation. We received a warm welcome and chatted with attendees about a variety of topics.

We became aware of one lady's concern over a letter she had received about a potential visit from the TV licencing inspectors as she did not have a current television licence. As she had not had a television since before the pandemic began nor any form of streaming device in her home, we were able to help her to complete a declaration of "no tv licence needed" which helped to reduce her anxiety about a potential visit. We also conducted a further welfare visit at her home.

The Caring Cafe welcomes carers, those they care for and anyone needing company and is dementia friendly. It is held on the first Thursday of each month at the Pulborough URC between 10am and midday.

### Sussex Day Picnic

During our patrols on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June, we stopped off at the Sussex Day Summer Picnic organised by the Pulborough Community Partnership. After a damp start the weather improved immensely and it was lovely to see all the activities on offer for the community. Children's entertainer Tom Foolery was a big hit once again with both the kids and the adults. Chanctonbury Leisure centre provided some great sporting activities. Ross even joined in the with the archery!



### Monday Hub

The Hub continues to thrive with around 20 regular attendees. Attending The Hub when our shifts allow provides us the opportunity to speak to some of our older residents and update them on community matters and give advice and signpost to other available services that they may be unaware of especially if they do not have access to the internet.

## **The Tea Spot Craft Café**

We have been fortunate to be able to attend the Craft Cafe again during June and see the talented works of those ladies present. We always receive welcoming warm smiles and much like The Hub we are often asked a wide range of questions about the community and our role.

For those wondering what the Craft Cafe is all about, it is a place where you can enjoy a couple of hours doing 'your thing'. Crocheting, knitting, patchwork, making cards, jewellery, rag rugs and Hardanger plus tea & cakes and lots of friendly chat. Crafting skills are not essential. It is a great place to meet friends and make new friends.

The Craft Cafe is held at the United Reformed Church on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month between 10am and midday.

## **Pulborough Pop-In**

The Pulborough Pop-In at the Library run by Isla Moran on behalf of the Pulborough and District Community Care Association (PDCCA). The Pop-In provides a safe space for parents and carers to visit for a cuppa and a chat where pre-school children are made very welcome. Isla's cakes are delicious too!

More information can be found at the PDCCA's revamped website here:

<https://www.pdcca.org.uk/>

## **HDC Bi-Annual All Staff Briefing**

On Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June we attended the HDC all staff briefing held at The Capitol in Horsham. Working away from the main council offices in Horsham means we are not always aware of all the work going on behind the scenes and out in other areas of the district by HDC, so the bi-annual meeting enables us to be kept up to speed with what is going on. During this briefing we were updated about plans to renovate The Capitol, plans for Food Waste recycling and plans for an office move for the district council next year.

## **Anti-Social Behaviour Case Review Meeting (Formally Community Trigger)**

Occasionally when a victim of anti-social behaviour has reported three or more incidents to either the Police, Council or their landlord within a six-month period they can request a review of the actions taken in their case.

The ASB Case Review process exists to review previous actions taken by those involved and to make recommendations through a multi-agency action plan if appropriate. It does not replace the need to report incidents when they happen.

We were asked to attend a review meeting on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> June in relation to a neighbour issue within Pulborough Parish alongside the Police and the housing association whose tenants are involved.

You can find out more about this process at the link below:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/community/safety-and-emergencies/anti-social-behaviour>

## 'Pultopia' - Pulborough Parish Council Music Festival

Louisa and John, our colleague from Storrington, conducted patrols around the recreation ground and Pocket Park and enjoyed the music at 'Pultopia' on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June. It was lovely to see so many people enjoying the first free music event arranged by Pulborough Parish Council.

The weather was at last kind, with no rain during the event and the temperature was just right too. A fabulous raffle was held to raise funds for the Pulborough Pantry.

## Patrols (foot/visible and car)

Due to the anti-social behaviour mentioned above we have been focusing our patrols in these areas of the village and as we do each month, we have focused our vehicle patrols on the fly tipping hotspots on the more rural roads of the parish and checked that the carriageways are kept clear of debris.

We have also been able to enjoy some of the glorious sunny weather we enjoyed during June when out and about on foot patrol.



*Views towards St Mary's Church*



*A check on the World War II Gun Emplacement*

## Older, Vulnerable People and Youth

We spent considerable time liaising with residents and external agencies to try to resolve an issue a vulnerable resident had with their electricity key/account where they were approaching the Bank Holiday period at the end of May without any electricity on their account. Although we were unable to resolve the issue before the bank holiday, we did finally manage to assist them to register a new key to their meter and top it up so power was restored to their property.

### Youth

We have continued with our Tuesday lunchtime visits to St Mary's Primary School this month, when shifts allow and attended a Personal Safety talk given to year 5 & 6 pupils by PC Sally Scott on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June.



We have been discussing plans for future youth sports provisions with the Parish Clerk which are due to start at the village hall from September.

## Dog Related Issues



Dog mess is an emotive issue and one of the most unacceptable and offensive types of litter on our streets. Research by Keep Britain Tidy shows dog fouling is the issue the public are most concerned about.

Following complaints, we are asking residents to be responsible owners and pick up after their pets. Remembering to take out poo bags with them also helps!

Dog fouling can be reported via the HDC website:

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

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.

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

### 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.***

**Please note Horsham District Council does not have dog wardens.**

## Parish specific/other

## Community Garden/Allotment



On 19th June we attended a working group meeting to decide on key matters in the future organisation/running of the community allotment in which we identified key tasks which were then assigned to members. One of these tasks was to source some slabs to provide a base for the new shed that was soon to be arriving. Thankfully, these came available very fortuitously within a couple of days on Facebook.



A new shed built by local resident Mike from repurposed pallets was erected at the Community Allotment on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> June. Although Mike still needs to finish the door the shed will be put to good use soon.

We continue to look for new volunteers and for donations of herbs, tools and equipment such as a new wheelbarrow or two!

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61556526658747>

## **Pulborough “Journey” support group for parents and carers of children with Autism and Special Educational Needs (SEN)**

Working alongside our colleagues in Storrington & Sullington and Ashington we have been finalising activities for our Autism and SEN fun day in conjunction with Chanctonbury Leisure Centre and now have the posters to promote the event. We cannot wait to try the wheelchair basketball and other activities on offer!

We have also designed a joint poster so that we can share the group details for all four Journey meetings so that residents can choose which location/day of the week is most suitable for them to attend.



**FAMILY FUN DAY**

**Horsham District Neighbourhood Wardens in Partnership with Chanctonbury leisure centre, are hosting an Autism and SEN fun day.**

**Friday August 2nd**  
**10:30am – 3pm at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre.**

**Activities available for everyone, bring the whole family.**

For more info: Contact Storrington-SullingtonWardens@horsham.gov.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDENS | DON'T MISS OUT ON THE FUN! | CHANCTONBURY LEISURE CENTRE

**Journey**  
A support group for Parents and Carers of Autistic and SEN Children

Come along this month to any of our sessions and meet with other parents on a similar journey to you.  
No diagnosis required, no pressure, just a free cuppa and a chat.

**Ashington\***  
ashington.wardens@horsham.gov.uk  
Friday 5 July | 10am - 11am  
Ashington Church, Church Lane, RH20 3JX

**Billingshurst\***  
billingshurstwardens@horsham.gov.uk  
Monday 15 July | 9.30am - 10.30am  
The Depot, 83a High Street, Billingshurst

**Pulborough\***  
pulborough.wardens@horsham.gov.uk  
Wednesday 17 July | 10am - 11am  
Pulborough Sports & Social Club, Rectory Close, RH20 2AJ

**Storrington & Sullington**  
storrington-sullingtonwardens@horsham.gov.uk  
Tuesday 23 July | 10am - 11am  
Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, Spierbridge Road, RH20 4PG

\*Aspens will be visiting these groups



**Refurbishment of Carpenters Meadow Play Area**

This is still an active plan and work will be commencing later in the year with a proposed completion date of mid-October. As we know however, this can be affected by the weather, especially as the area is prone to flooding, so these dates may be subject to change.

!.1 The timetable for the award of this Contract is as follows:

Event	Date
Deadline for Submission of Quotes	Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> July 2024
Contract Award Notification	Week beginning 5 <sup>th</sup> August 2024
Provisional Contract Start Date (on site)	Monday 23rd September 2024
Practical Completion Date	Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024

# Support on the Move

Come and visit our advice vehicle for advice and support.

**Advice on offer:**

- Benefit checks
- Debt Advice
- Career advice
- Housing

*Pulborough Pantry Sports & Social Club  
Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday  
9:30-10:30*



**Horsham Matters**  
Meeting Needs and Improving Lives  
CHARITY NUMBER: 1116253

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Horsham Matters Mobile Support Hub is now visiting Pulborough Pantry on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of each month between 9.30 and 10.30am.

Horsham Matters, which supports residents suffering from food and energy poverty, is taking its advice services on the road in a bid to ensure residents across the Horsham District can access face-to-face support on issues such as housing, utilities, budgeting, benefits, and debt.

We visited on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> June and were welcomed aboard by advisor Ava who told us about how the hub enables them to support residents in the rural parishes.

You can also follow us at:

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

<https://www.facebook.com/HDWardens>

<https://twitter.com/HorshamWardens>