

# Storrington and Sullington Warden Monthly Report October 2025





# ASB/Referrals

#### **Police Report:**

• 101 report made for a motor bike on its side at the side of Amberley Road. I walked around the field area to make sure there was no casualty. The bike was stolen, and the Police called the owner to collect it.

#### **Intelligence report:**

• Intelligence report submitted direct to PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) ref suspected drug dealing.

#### ASB:

None to report.

#### **Verbal Warning:**

• None given.

#### Signposting:

- Spoke to resident that mentioned she is new to the area and is feeling lonely. I signposted her to events and services that are available locally.
- Signposted resident to volunteer services in the area.
- Signposted resident to report incident to the Police.
- Signposted resident to agencies that can assist and help with partner's Dementia.

#### Safeguarding:

• None reported.

# Parking/vehicles

**Operation Crackdown reports**: (Joint initiative with Sussex Safer Roads Partnership and Sussex Police to report antisocial driving.)

• 2x vehicles reported for parking on / near the end of the junction of Spierbridge Road and the roundabout on Pulborough Road.

#### **DVLA Reports:**

None issued

#### **Yellow Parking alerts:**

2x issued for vehicles parking too near the junction by roundabout on Spierbridge Road.

#### Drivers spoken to for parking issues:

- 22x vehicles parked on double yellow kerb stripes in North Street.
- 1x vehicle parked in High Street loading bay.

# Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

#### Drug litter removed and reported to WSCC (West Sussex County Council):

None to report.

#### Litter:

Cleared litter by shelter on Sullington Rec.

#### Fly tipping:

• None to report.

#### **Graffiti:**

Spoke to Manager of SPAR shop about the graffiti on the boarding at the back of their shop and asked if they
could get their facilities department to paint over the graffiti. Will monitor and if not done will explore other
options.

#### Flyposting:

• Report made to HDC, ref sign put up on lamppost by Chapel in North Street. Sign taken down.

# Community engagement/events/meetings

#### PCSO:

• Intelligence submitted to PCSO direct.

#### **Hanover Walk Bingo Club:**

- Good turnout for the event and it is good to see the attendees enjoying themselves, as well as the donation to a local charity.
- Had a meeting before bingo to discuss the upcoming Christmas fare that we are holding on 24<sup>th</sup> November, to raise funds for a defibrillator to be installed at the main office. Also, for 5 members to take a first aid course. Everyone was in agreement.

#### St. Mary's Church Café:

- Attended the café as it was Storrington Primary's Harvest Festival event. Great to hear all the pupils enjoying singing and reading their poems (I had the song "conkers" running through my brain all day).
- Visited the café to talk to one of the church wardens to find out more about their visiting resident scheme, as we have a married couple that are house bound and are isolated and have no family. Looking at all options to help them.

#### **Mother and Toddler Group:**

• Visited group to say happy Birthday to one of the children. The parent said they are enjoying our Stay and Play events and it is good for their child with ADHD. It was good to talk about their issues and will be able to supply them with relevant literature.

#### Village Market:

Spoke to the stall holders at the market and they are looking for more stall holders to complement the
existing ones.

#### Rotary monthly lunch:

- Visited the monthly lunch, talked to some of the residents and arranged for Thakeham School pupils to help with the lunches in November, December, February and March.
- Spoke to one of the committee of the Rotary Club. We appreciate their continuing support with the minibus. This opportunity gives us options to help the socially isolated of the village.

#### **Chapel Five Loaves Café:**

• Spoke to residents attending and it was good to see the café has expanded. Met with organiser to get details of who the parish council need to contact regarding what help is needed for late night shopping.

#### **Community Café:**

- Good turnout for the Hanover community café. Had some good conversations about defibrillators and how
  to get them, first aid training, and group choice to hold a Christmas fair to raise funds to purchase a
  defibrillator for the area. The group also wants to form a system where the vulnerable and isolated members
  of their community are checked on regularly.
- Good turnout for the library community café. Good to see and hear all that attended are getting on with each other and enjoying the company.

#### White Horse Court Quiz:

Visited the White Horse Court Quiz to introduce myself to the new manager and catch up with all the gossip.

#### **DISC training:**

 Had online training on the DISC system (reporting system that is part of the Horsham District Business Crime Reduction Partnership) so I can assist with any difficulties or issues that local businesses are having with using the system and to get new members.

#### **Cuppa and a Chat:**

• Good turnout - 25 residents attended. One of the residents brought cakes in as it was her birthday, and this was appreciated by all.

#### **Dungeons and Dragons Gaming Club:**

 Good turnout for the event and good to see all the kids enjoying themselves and getting into the new campaign.

#### Autism & SEN weekly events:

- Another good turnout. A big thank you to the Ashington Wardens, Bryony and Christina, for their help.
- At this week's event, family support attended and we spent time with some parents that have moved to the area. Jointly we signposted those parents to groups and other events that are being held in Storrington.

• Last event of the term. We are losing one of the families as they are moving back to Hungary. They are going to keep in touch and will visit when they are in the country.

#### **Emergency First Aid Training:**

• Completed my first aid refresher course which lasts for another 3 years.

#### Winter Warmer event:

• HDC held their Winter Warmer Event at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre. It was a free activity day for over 50s which included stalls, community marketplace and a wide range of activities for all abilities.

## Patrols (foot/visible/car)

#### **Sullington Rec:**

Patrolled the rec after school and spoke to several of the youths playing in the playground.

#### **Kithurst and Chantry:**

• Have patrolled both car parks and put reminder notices on the cars about not leaving valuables in the vehicle.

#### Youth engagement:

- Spoke to a youth playing in the Sullington rec playground and asked him to keep the swearing down, especially when there are younger children playing in the park.
- Spoke to youths sitting by Tesco's roundabout. They were taking pictures of the classic and sports cars that came past. I asked them not to go into the road to take the pictures, for their safety.
- Spoke to several pupils from Rock Road about cycling on the pavement and going very fast. Explained about the path being narrow and to be respectful of people waking and to slow down.

#### Vulnerable residents' welfare check:

- Visited residents that I knew had been ill recently. They are both getting back to good health and are looking forward to coming to Cuppa and a Chat.
- Spoke to a resident who is struggling with the excess number of parked cars in the close where she lives. I have suggested again that we get all the residents to a meeting with a mediator to discuss the issue to try to find a resolution.
- Checked in with resident that is getting excessive calls after being scammed. Reiterated advice to keep a note of the calls and call the Police. Key tip if you are calling someone after a scam call, you should leave it for a while, to ensure the scam caller has hung up, or use another phone. This is because on landlines, only the person initiating the call can terminate it. When the person receiving the call puts the receiver down, it does not end the call, and the caller is still on the line until they terminate it.
- Dropped off to resident, the contact details and information of agencies that will be able to help with residents' family member living with Dementia.
- Called into to see mother of resident that passed away, to give my condolences.

# Parish specific/other

#### School contact/engagement:

- 2x visits to Rock Road campus and spent lunchtime chatting to the pupils.
- Have arranged with Thakeham Primary to do a talk with year 5 and 6 and arranged for year 6 pupils as part of their community project to help at the Rotary lunches for the residents.
- Patrolled Sullington Rec 4 times at school finishing time and moved pupils off the toddler equipment. Spoke to them and asked them to tone down their language.
- Met with year 5 and 6 of Thakeham Primary and gave a talk on what wardens do and our events and activities in the Parish.
- Sent all the local schools the Police media report, so they had a heads-up for the start of term.

#### **Hazards and Risks:**

- Shopping trolley returned to Waitrose from Horemare Rec.
- Spoke to a councillor about the reinstatement of double yellow lines at the end of the junction of Spierbidge and Pulborough Roads, opposite the memorial pond. Cars are parking right up to the junction which is making it difficult to enter and exit Spierbridge Road.

- Put up 3x dog fouling signs as residents contacted me about the mess on the pavement, as this is a route to the local school.
- Spoke to resident that drove the wrong way around Waitrose carpark. I stopped them as they nearly caused an accident with a car going the right way.

#### Speed watch:

• Met with Speed Watch several times and helped record some of the speeding cars' registration numbers. It is a shame the abuse that these volunteers get on a regular basis.

#### West Sussex School active travel officer:

Had a Microsoft Teams meeting with the project officer and councillor to discuss Storrington Primary school
active travel plan and the proposed improvements that potentially will be made next year, as well as other
potential plans for the village.

#### **Parish Facilities:**

Controlled traffic in Leisure Centre, so the broken speed bump could be removed.

#### Late night Christmas shopping:

- Had a meeting to discuss current updates and plans so far.
- Delivered letter to businesses and residents that are affected by the road closures for the Christmas late night shopping.

#### **Emergency Plan:**

• Helped with setting out the Emergency Plan for the parish.

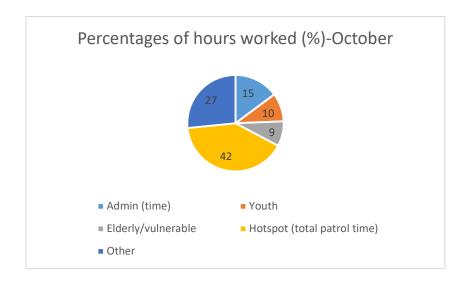
### Social media/press

- 1 x Sussex Local monthly article.
- 1 x 3 Heralds monthly article.
- 60 x Facebook posts.

# Breakdown of Time Spent on Parish Priorities

Tasks and priorities	Percentage of time spent
Elderly/vulnerable*	9
Youth*	10
Hotspot areas	42
Admin	15
Other**	27

- \*The time spent on elderly/vulnerable, and youth includes planning time for projects as well as face to face interactions.
- \*\*other accounts for meetings, drop ins, community events outside of the priorities, travel time, training etc. when not suitable for the other headings.



## 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 <u>fly tipping in action</u>, 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: <a href="https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping">https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping</a>

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

#### **Dog** related incidents:

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

<u>Stray Dogs</u> can be reported to the HDC contractor on 07512 089777 but they must already be contained. <u>https://www.horsham.gov.uk/environmental-health/stray-dogs</u>

