



Storrington and Sullington Warden Monthly Report December 2024



**NEIGHBOURHOOD
WARDENS**



**Horsham
District
Council**

ASB/Referrals.

Intelligence report:

- Resident informed us of an incident in Greyfriars Lane involving two youths on a motorbike. Their behaviour is intimidating, especially towards our older residents. These youths are known to us, they have been reported to the Police on multiple occasions. We have asked this resident to report it retrospectively to the Police online.

Signposting:

- Resident signposted to Police and Pulborough Neighbourhood Wardens.
- Resident on a mobility Scooter was intimidated by two youths in the Waitrose Car Park. She has been advised to report this online to Sussex Police. We will increase patrols in the area.
- Resident who lives in Pulborough asked for our advice about a neighbour whose dog is constantly barking during the day. We advised her to report this to Environmental Health.

Parking/vehicles

DVLA Reports:

- Van parked along Pulborough Road near to the Memorial Pond. (Second time this vehicle has been reported to the DVLA).
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Yellow Parking alerts:

- 1 x Car in Sullington Parish Car Park. Left overnight.

Drivers spoken to for parking issues:

- 22 x Vehicles parked on double yellow kerb stripes in North Street.
- 2 x Vehicles parked in High Street loading bay.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti.

Fly tipping:

- 2 x bed bases fly tipped in Kithurst Car Park. This has been reported via the App to Hop Oast for removal.

Update: These have since been removed.

Community engagement/events/meetings

PCSO (Police Community Support Officer): Met with our PCSO at the safety event at Place Villerest. We discussed all the issues that include Street drinkers and a youth who has come to our attention on multiple occasions. We have met with HDCs Anti-Social Behaviour team and our manager to try to find resolutions to these problems.

Village Market:

- The Market was extremely busy. Good to see in the run up to Christmas.

Autism and SEN (special education needs) Group:

- Really good to catch up with the group. A local resident joined in with us this month who gave us some pointers to hopefully attract more members.

Dementia Café: (Soon to be renamed as Community Café)

- The Café is a new initiative that will take time to grow. We met with the representatives from Age UK and Alzheimer's Society to discuss the way forward.

Rotary Club Book Fair:

- Checked in with the volunteers at the Rotary Club Book Fair. Very busy, gave us a chance to engage with the local community.

Cuppa and a Chat:

- We had thirty residents come to the Cuppa and a Chat session this month. A record. Lynn from PDCCA (Pulborough & District Community Care Association) came down and what she had to say was well received by the group. The group kindly bought us a pot plant each and signed cards as a thank you for all we have done for them throughout the year. A great end to the year!



Emergency Services Safety Event:

- We held our Safety event at Place Villerest this month. The Fire Brigade and the local PCSOs attended. The children loved it! The Police and Fire Service both gave out handouts on safety and drawing kits for the children to read/learn from. A big thank you from us to these invaluable services for giving up their time and supporting our community.



Autism and SEN weekly all sports event:

- We held our last event of the year for this group. As always this is great fun for all. The good news is we have secured funding for next year, which the parents and children need and appreciate. (4th December, 15 children attended). Waitrose supplied us with chocolates/sweets to hand out to the children for Christmas.

Whitehorse Court:

- Visited the residents and duty Manager while they were having their Christmas meal. Spoke to a resident that is socially isolated and arranged to pick her up for our next Cuppa and a Chat.

Mother and Toddler group:

- Handed out a box of sweets to the group for their Christmas party.
- Attended the Christmas Party. Really well attended, everybody was in good spirits.

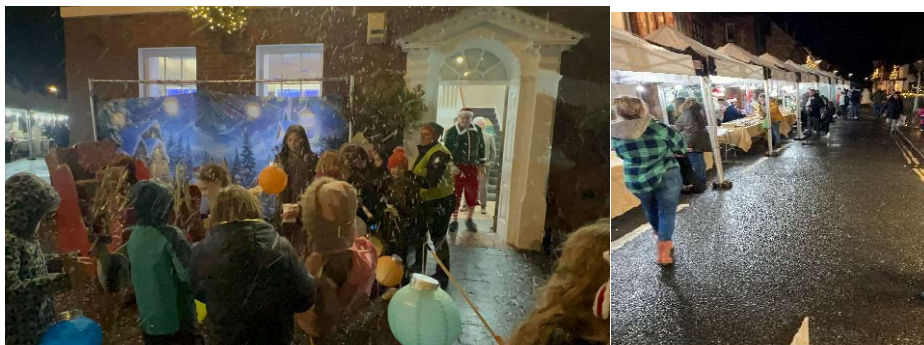
Community Tree Planting:

- Chanctonbury Leisure Centre donated 110 trees to be planted in Hormare Recreation Ground. A work party that was set up braved the terrible weather. All trees were planted, and more trees will be planted later in the month. **Update:** We went back to the Hormare Recreation Ground and covered the trees with tubes to protect them from wildlife/the elements.



Christmas Late night shopping event:

- The event was yet again a tremendous success. There was something for everyone of all ages to enjoy. From the Fairground in Old Mill Drive, the food and shopping stalls in Church Street and North Street, Santa's Grotto in the Library. Gingerbread men painting in the Chapel along with music entertainment in several locations in Storrington. The harsh weather did not deter our residents and visitors to the area.



Wholesome Warehouse:

- We delivered sweets that were left from the Christmas Grotto event to the Wholesome Warehouse for their Christmas food packages. These will go out to the neediest.

Five Loaves:

- Met up with the group at the Chapel. Remarkably busy, everyone in good spirits and getting ready for Christmas.

Cuppa and a Chat Christmas lunch trip:

- The Christmas lunch was an enormous success. Great to see our residents have a proper Christmas lunch as some said this will be the only one, they will have this year. The group enjoyed themselves. The meal was superb with not a lot left on the plates.



Patrols (foot/visible, and car)

Kithurst and Chantry:

- Patrolled Kithurst and Chantry.

Older, vulnerable people and young people.

Youth engagement:

- Rock Road school had an inset day. We were approached by a group of youths that wanted to use the 3G football pitch. The Leisure Centre agreed to use the Warden discount code, providing they did a litter pick around the area of the playgrounds and skate park. Well, done to our younger residents, litter free area and they were happy to get a discount on the cost.
- Lots of young people playing in the Sullington Recreation Ground. Informed them of upcoming events taking place in the new year.
- We engaged with some of our younger people playing in the skate park at the Leisure Centre a couple of times this month, again informed them of upcoming events in the new year.

Vulnerable residents' welfare check:

- As previously reported, we have assisted a resident that had paid out money for a service that she never received. We assisted by arranging appointments to relevant organisations and helped her complete letters to the Company who she had paid her money too. **Update:** She informed us today that she has received a full refund. **Update:** Another resident with the same issue managed to receive her money back from this company this month. **Great news!**
- We checked in on one of our residents who had had drainage issues which had caused flooding. The water was making its way into her garage. After giving advice, the resident has now had her soakaway repaired. This seems to have resolved the problem. Our resident was incredibly happy as the whole episode had caused her a lot of worry.
- Spoke to one of our residents who has some health issues now. She is not looking forward to Christmas so we will keep an eye on her.
- We visited a lady who had recently lost her husband after years of taking care of him. We have invited her down to our Cuppa and a Chat session this month. She was keen to get out and socialise again. We will stay connected with her.
- We were asked by our PCSO to visit a vulnerable person who lives in Sullington. She has been reporting unknown people outside her home to the Police and has been receiving silent phone calls. We reassured her and will be visiting her again to check on how she is doing.
- Visited a resident who had sadly lost his wife this year. He is in good spirits considering and will be with family over the Christmas period.

Parish specific/other

Councillor Meetings:

- Met with Councillors throughout the month E.G: Late night Christmas Shopping event, planting of saplings at Hormare Recreation Ground. They are happy with how the Neighbourhood Warden Service is going within the Parish. We have received a nice email from our Chair thanking us for the work we are doing.

School Engagement:

- Visit to the Rock Road Campus to visit pupils during their lunch hour. Informed them of upcoming events for 2025 and a good opportunity to engage with them as part of our early intervention initiative. **Update:** We visited the school campus twice this month. Everyone is getting ready for Christmas.
- We met with the Head of I.T at Storrington Primary School. He was excited to inform us that from our press release asking any residents to donate laptops and tablets they no longer use; he has received five laptops and two tablets. He expects to receive some more.

Waitrose shoplifting:

- Due to recent bouts of shoplifting in Waitrose (alcohol) we were asked to view CCTV by the Waitrose Manager. We identified two people who we recognised. Both will be banned from Waitrose. We have asked the Manager to input both incidents on to DISC. We have advised that even if it is a small amount stolen, they should report these to the Police via 101.

Pulborough Garden Centres Community Projects competition:

- The Storrington and Sullington Wardens received an email saying we had been nominated by the local community for our Community Projects. It was a surprise as we knew nothing about the nomination and when we read "Congratulations Storrington Village Wardens, you are the selected winner of Pulborough Garden Centre's Community Project competition" We were immensely proud and humbled by our community's support. We were awarded a Gold Reindeer (Now called Dave!). We have decided to place the Reindeer at Chanctonbury leisure centre, where we hold most of our community groups and activities. It can be seen and enjoyed by everyone. We would like to thank our community and British Garden centres for all their support, it makes it all worthwhile.



Church Street:

Delivered information letters to the local businesses in Church Street informing them of latest updates regarding the sinkhole.

Social media/press

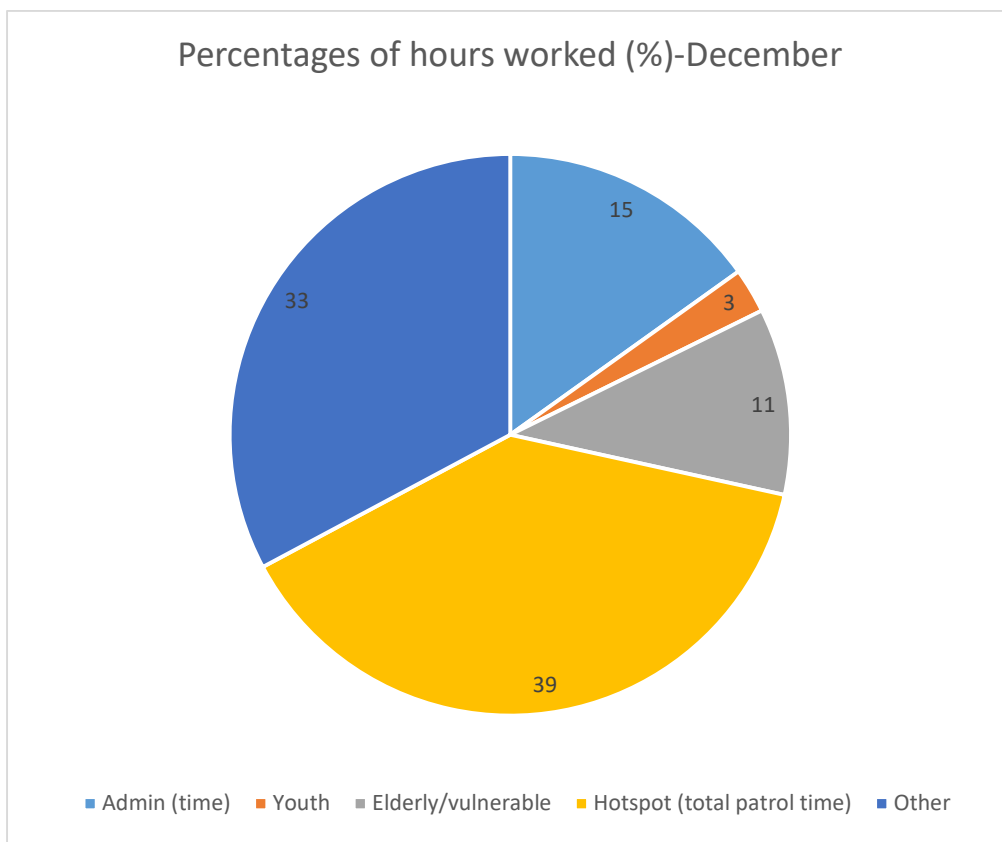
Press Releases:

- 1 x Sussex Local monthly press release.
- 1 x 3 Heralds monthly press release
- 1 x AAH press release.
- 20 x Twitter and Facebook releases.

Breakdown of Time Spent on Parish Priorities

Tasks and priorities	Percentage of time spent
Elderly/vulnerable*	11
Youth*	3
Hotspot areas	39
Admin	15
Other**	33

- *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.



RESOURCES

Useful reporting links: -

Litter issues can be reported to HDC:

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

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 dash cam footage you may have.

You can also report it directly 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 our contractor on 07512 089777 for collection.

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

Reporting crime and anti-social behaviour

999	101	CrimeStoppers.	British Transport Police	Horsham District Council
<p>☎ 999</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.

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