

Warden Monthly Report

January 2024 – Pulborough Parish

Patrol hours TOTAL:	76.5	ASB (Anti-Social Behaviour) incidents reported to us TOTAL:	2
Foot (high visibility)	55	Noise	0
Vehicle	21.5	Neighbours	2
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	0	Driving/vehicles	0
Verbal warning	0	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	0	Alcohol	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0		
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	6
Reports into Police TOTAL:	5	Fly tipping / flyposting	2
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	0
Online	0	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	0
Verbal	5	Drug litter	0
E-CINS cases (multi-agency reporting)	0	Hazards	4
Media Reports TOTAL:	9		
Press release/Community magazines	0		
Social media posts	9	Community events attended	12
Admin hours	22	School contact	6
Vulnerable people welfare checks	8	Youth engagement	11
Signposting	18	Reports to DVLA	0
Safeguarding referral	0	Reports to Operation Crackdown	0

KEY:

ASB: Anti-social behaviour

E-CINS: Online portal for confidential multi-agency sharing of caseloads.

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

We received one report of an issue with a neighbour in a private property. Advice was given.

We received reports about noise nuisance from residents in a block of flats. This is an ongoing issue for the complainant. We have given advice and have been liaising with other agencies and support workers to deal with the issues raised.

Parking/Vehicles/Road

Road

Whilst on our patrols in Nutbourne we have spent time in Stream Lane after being contacted by Brian White from the Nutbourne Residents Association with concerns about damage being caused to the edge of the road due to the increase of traffic in the area whilst West Chilmington Lane is closed.



Vehicles

We are frequently asked about what can be done about vehicles being driven with no road tax or valid MOT, these can be reported by members of the public using the links below:

<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

We were pleased to see that previously reported, obscene graffiti in Cousins Way has been removed, making this residential area a better place for all. Thank you to our cleansing team.



Fly tipping in Nutbourne Road



Fly tipping in Pickhurst Lane

Sadly, we have found two lots of fly tipped rubbish this month, which we have reported to our cleansing team 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>

Stray shopping trolleys can be reported on the Trolleywise app on your phone.

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

Pulborough Pop-In

We continue to support this great initiative at the library, run by the 'Pulborough & District Community Care Association' (PDCCA) where people can come and find out about their community and what it has to offer, eat great cake and make new friends. The Pop-In is held every Wednesday morning during term time between 9am and 11am.

More information about all the good that the PDCCA do can be found here <https://www.pdcca.org.uk/>

Pulborough Village Market

We attended the Pulborough Village Market on Saturday 27th January and spoke to people about a variety of topics in the village. One interesting conversation with a resident who has a brain injury has resulted in us making enquiries with the brain injury charity Headway about access to local services. There are 3 local residents that we are now in contact with who would benefit from support in the rural villages, due to brain injury.

Further information and future dates about the market can be found on their Facebook page:

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

Monday Hub

We continue to visit The Hub at Pulborough Library on Monday mornings, when our shifts allow. It is great to see the group so strong in numbers, often with more than 20 visitors. We are always grateful for the warm welcome we receive and often those attending have questions for us and we are able to signpost them to the relevant services for their enquiry.

Quarterly Pulborough Community Volunteers Forum

On Tuesday 9th January we attended the Pulborough Community Volunteers Forum held at the United Reformed Church. We gave an update on the Pulborough Pantry and our plans for our "Journey" coffee morning, starting in late February. The forum is a great way for us to find out about the work of the Churches and hear updates from the Pulborough District Community Care Association (PDCCA), as well as Social Prescriber Freddie Jones from Pulborough Medical Group. This meeting was also attended by Roger Jamieson from the Rotary Club of Storrington and Pulborough District.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

January has seen us focus our foot patrols around the area of Newey Nurseries as we have had reports of some suspicious behaviour in the area and there have been some thefts from the nursery site. We have also been liaising with PCSO Bowley about this.

Once again, we have focused our vehicle patrols on the fly tipping hotspots on the more rural roads of the parish as well as those affected by the various road closures and subsequent issues with signage.

Older, Vulnerable People and Youth

Vulnerable People

January has been a difficult month for some of our more vulnerable residents. We have helped some people obtain voucher codes for the Horsham Matters Food Bank that visits the village on a Thursday morning.

We have supported an elderly resident who was worried about a new boiler installation at their house and spent time liaising with their next of kin who live in another county. We made contact with another older resident after we hadn't seen them around, to find that they were unwell in hospital. We have kept in contact with them now that they have returned home.

Youth

Our Youth Boxing Programme in conjunction with WBC Cares UK, which started in September 2022 has sadly seen numbers decline and the decision was made to end the programme in Pulborough on Wednesday 31st January. The earlier session at The Weald School which is run from 3.30pm - 4.30pm is however working well. This is most likely due to the young people going there straight after school without the need to go home first. Those that were attending the Pulborough session will now attend The Weald School session.

A new after school cooking club has started at St Mary's Primary this half term and on Friday afternoons. The sessions are being run by two volunteers Elizabeth Hunt and Jemima Whitehead. We visited the first two sessions, and it was great to see the children enjoying learning about cooking and there was lots of laughter in the room. Sadly, we didn't get to see the finished banana muffins during week one, but the pizzas made during week two smelt and looked delicious.

During a discussion between Ross and Andi at Chanctonbury Leisure Centre, the idea of mobile skate ramps and skateboarding lessons was discussed and after further discussions with Parish Clerk Harry we are really pleased that South Coast Skate Club are holding a skateboarding event in the Rother Hall at the Village Hall on Monday 12th February, during the half-term holidays.

Dog Related Issues

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/>

Dog fouling can be reported via the HDC website:

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

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.***

Parish specific/other

Pulborough Pantry (Community Fridge)

After a great deal of hard work by a variety of volunteers throughout December and over the festive period the space at the parish meeting room was transformed into a useable community fridge space and an opening date of Tuesday 9th January was decided for the "Pulborough Pantry". Many people find times extremely tough financially after Christmas and with the impact of the cost-of-living crisis impacting so many, this was a sensible decision made by Kevin and Maria Lee.



Before



After

Due to an unexpected donation of green beans, tomatoes and other fresh items on Thursday 4th January from UK Harvest a 1-hour pop-up opening was held at the Pantry. This was advertised locally on social media and worked out well as a trial run before the grand opening the following week.

On Monday 8th January a group of the Pantry Admin team met, and a committee was formed.

The opening on Tuesday 9th January was a huge success, with 100 people crossing the threshold in the three hours of 'business' and 165.5 kg of food was saved from landfill. It was so positive to see so many people visiting and supporting the project. It has also been amazing to see so many people wanting to volunteer to help with the project. The number of visitors has grown each week and the amount of food saved from landfill is brilliant.

Whilst we want to thank all those that have volunteered their time, our special thanks go to Kevin, Maria and Jessica Lee for their support and determination to get the Pulborough Pantry up and running and in such a short amount of time. What started as a chat with Kevin about our work in the community and project ideas that we would like to see

happen (the pantry being one of the main ones!), to cups of tea and discussions at their home, visits to the supermarkets and trips to Howdens and Lakers, to all three of them giving up their Christmas period to paint and clean, we are immensely grateful.

“The Pulborough Pantry – a project by the community, for the community.”





Children from the Little Explorers Pre-School visiting the pantry on Tuesday 23rd January, collecting fruit for their snack time.

Pulborough Shedders

Having not had the opportunity to visit for some time, we called into the Pulborough Shedders on Wednesday 31st January. It was great to see a real mix of people there and to hear the buzz in the room. One young person who is

currently being home educated was there using the equipment to make a pen holder. Other members were working hard making bird boxes and several founding members were trying to straighten up the chassis of a children's go-kart!



Visit to "Journey" support group for parents and carers of children with Autism and Special Educational Needs (SEN)

On Tuesday 23rd January we visited our colleagues Chris Poore and John Sampson at The Village Hub in Storrington where they hold their monthly support group for parents and carers of children with Autism and SEN. The purpose of our visit was to find out how the group is running and to get feedback from those that attend. We were joined by Pulborough mum Theresa, who is going to help us set up a Journey group in Pulborough.

On Tuesday 30th January we met with Darren Greenfield at the Pulborough Sports & Social Club. Darren has kindly donated the use of the club for the Pulborough Journey Group to meet once a month and we are pleased to update that the first meeting will be at 10am on Wednesday 28th February.



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

Wednesday 28 February
Wednesday 27 March
Wednesday 24 April
Wednesday 22 May
Wednesday 19 June

10am to 11am

 Pulborough Sports & Social Club,
 22 Rectory Close, Pulborough, RH20 2AJ

Come along and join us,
 have a chat and a cuppa
 with other parents on a
 similar journey to you.

No need to book, no
 pressure, just turn up.
 Tea and coffee provided
 free of charge.

For more information please contact your Neighbourhood Wardens:
Louisa Hull: 07584 337475 | **Ross Phillips:** 07584 337476
Email: pulborough.wardens@horsham.gov.uk



Refurbishment of Carpenters Meadow Play Area

After a discussion earlier in 2023 with District Councillor Paul Clarke about the poor state of the Carpenters Meadow play area, owned by Horsham District Council it was established that the play area was on the list for the next rural playground refurbishments programme. After a subsequent meeting with Paul Anderson and Anna Chapman, Parks and Countryside Development Manager, it was agreed that consultation with local residents was a must. We are now working with the Parks and Countryside team to gather opinions on what people would like to see at the play area by way of a questionnaire. We have hand delivered copies of the questionnaire to all properties in Carpenters Meadow, Barnhouse Close and Skeyne Drive. We have also promoted it on the Horsham Wardens Facebook and Twitter accounts and on our Pulborough Wardens Instagram account.

The questionnaire can be read and completed at the link below:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/carpenters-meadow>

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

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

<https://twitter.com/HorshamWardens>