

Billingshurst Wardens Monthly Report

January 2025

Patrol hours TOTAL:	78	ASB incidents TOTAL:	4
Foot (high visibility)	57	Noise	0
Vehicle	21	Neighbours	0
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	1	Driving/Vehicles/Bikes	4
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Alcohol	0
Yellow card warning	0	Dog/Animal	0
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Parking alert	1	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	11
Police reports TOTAL:	9	Fly tipping / flyposting	2
Phone (including 101 and 999)	0	Graffiti	0
Email	3	Dog fouling	1
Intelligence report	2	Litter	0
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)	0	Drug litter	8
Verbal	4	Hazards	0
Media reports TOTAL:	5	Community events attended	12
Press release / Community magazines	0	School Contact	2
Social Media	5	Youth engagement	45
Admin	16	Reports to DVLA	1
Vulnerable people welfare checks	7	Reports to Operation Crackdown	3
Signposting	15		

On behalf of Billingshurst Parish Council and Horsham District Council, we would like to wish Julie all the best for her retirement and thank her for all the great memories. We hope your well-earned retirement is as long and as satisfying as your career, the team won't be the same without you.



[Report a Problem](#)

Spotted a problem? Whether it is an abandoned car, dog fouling, fly tipping, or litter and graffiti, you can report it online. It is fast and easy and can be reported at any time, day, or night.
<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/report>

Horsham District Council now has a new mobile App that can be used to report things such as dog bin issues, fly tipping, graffiti, litter bin issues, missed bin collection and so much more. Please see below for the link.

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/mobileapp>

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[ASB](#)

It was reported that two young people threatened a young girl and chased her, which was very frightening for her. We did go and take a look to see if we could find those involved to give them words of advice. Unfortunately we did not come across them, we believe that this incident was reported to the School.

[Parking and vehicles](#)

We have reported two vehicles to Op Crackdown for illegal parking on The High Street.

One vehicle has been reported for having no tax.

One vehicle was asked to move from the High Street as it was causing an obstruction and was also on double yellow lines.

[Fly Tipping/Littering/Graffiti,](#)

There was some fly tipping in Newbridge Road West, this was reported and removed by HDC within 24 hours.

The Weald car park had some fly tipping close to Station Road, there is a camera which is now being checked for any footage of the vehicle used. This has been reported to the appropriate agency which in this case isn't HDC.



Community Engagement/Events/Meetings

We attended a Dementia Coffee morning at Osmund Court, which is run by Sage House. This is held every Tuesday at Osmund Court between 10.30am – 12 midday. It is for people living with dementia, carers and those looking for social companionship. We had a sing song, a quiz, a chat over refreshments although there are many activities that they have, to entertain the group. Unfortunately, due to low numbers this has now come to an end which is a great shame.

Rosehill residents meet up every Tuesday at The Kings Head for a catch up with each other, we attend as often as we are can so we can have a chat and talk to them about any local issues they are having.

We went to Osmund Court to assist with activities, this week it was darts and a quiz. Sandra who organises the activities makes sure that everyone has lots of fun and laughter. We thoroughly enjoy going to help with the different activities and have a chat with the residents.

The Horsham Wellbeing walk is another event we attend when we are able. This is on Thursdays, meeting at the library at 11am. This is a walk for all abilities and is a great way of getting out in the fresh air, meeting new people, and highlighting new activities in Billingshurst. Many new friendships have been forged on the walks. So, if you are interested, please come along.

The Seniors Coffee morning is held between 10.30am to 12 at St Marys Rooms, East Street. We went along to say hello, the group had a quiz all about the 1960s which was extremely difficult. Then Sandra from Osmund Court helped us all with chair exercises which everyone enjoyed. So, if you ever fancy some tea/coffee and a piece of cake and a chat go along on a Monday. Everyone there is very welcoming and very friendly.

We assisted with an interview with the Sussex Violence Reduction Partnership in regard to the Boxing sessions, which are held on Wednesdays at The Weald School. It was an overall discussion of how the coaches from WBC Care are making a difference to those young people who come along to the sessions. We couldn't stress enough the difference the coaches have made to them. They have instilled discipline, focus, motivation, camaraderie, fitness, stamina, and lots of fun. The young people love coming and have grown so much in the last 3 years, we hope the sessions continue. We did mention that a Boxing gym in the area would be such a great asset to the wider community.

Working in partnership with other services can contribute to an improvement of what we do, as well as generate ideas that may benefit the residents of Billingshurst. We had a very good meeting with some of the members of the Fire Service at Billingshurst Fire Station. It was a very positive meeting, and the crew will be coming to one of the Friday Coffee Mornings to talk to the group about safety in home and to those interested they will go to people's homes to conduct safe and well visits to offer advice on how to make it safer and where appropriate fit fire alarms. We hope to see them at the coffee morning on Friday 14th February at 10am – 12noon.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

We go out on foot patrols daily so that the residents can stop and speak to us about any issues that they are having or just to have a chat. We also visit businesses, shops, the school, the railway station etc. to see if there are any issues we can help with.

We also conduct car patrols for the purposes of fly tipping and to cover the outer areas of Billingshurst such as Adversane and Five Oaks. We tend to conduct these patrols twice a week so we can keep a close eye on the areas that tend to suffer with fly tipping.

The lunch time patrols at The Weald have been very successful so far and we have been focussing on the Year 7 area, where we have had good engagement with the students. This means when they are out and about after school, they will start to recognise us and, we will recognise them.

We continue to patrol Platts Meadow and visit the businesses there to check if there are any issues, it appears things have improved somewhat since they first opened.

We patrolled Jubilee Fields to talk to dog walkers, today (07/01) there was a few dogs happily playing which was lovely to see. No issues were mentioned regarding problems with other dogs, the only problem that was mentioned was the dog poo on the pathway that runs along the bypass. Therefore, we will patrol the bypass pathway and keep an eye out for any dog owners who do not pick up after their dogs.

The Billingshurst Primary School patrol is working well, the double yellow lines are being kept clear when we are present. So, thank you very much to all of you for keeping our children and families safe it is much appreciated.

Older, Vulnerable People and Youth

We make doorstep visits to check residents' Careline and smoke alarms. Whilst there, we also check to see if there are any other welfare issues that we can help with or signpost to the various agencies that are available and who have the experience to guide residents through the appropriate channels. We also go back and revisit the resident a couple of weeks later to check that they are ok and getting the help that they need.

A resident contacted us about any assistance we can give regarding their social isolation. Advice was given over the phone, but we will be visiting them to check on their welfare in a week or so.

We were concerned about a vulnerable person who we hadn't seen in the community, so contacted a family member to check if they were ok and well, which they were but had been ill so we will keep an eye out for them.

We were made aware of a homeless person who had moved here from another neighbouring Parish, they had stayed here previously for a few days. As per usual the Billingshurst Community rallied and made sure the person was ok, giving food, blankets, hot drinks etc. We went to look for him to see if there was any other extra support that we could offer only to find out from a local resident that he had moved on again. We will keep an eye for him in case he comes back into Billingshurst in the near future.

The fully funded boxing programme by Billingshurst Parish Council is back after the Christmas holidays with their new T Shirts funded by The Billingshurst Lions. They all love their T Shirts, and we would like to thank the Billingshurst Lions for donating the money so the young people could have them.

The Boxing is for young people between the ages of 11-17 years old and is held at the Old Dance Studio at the Weald school on Wednesdays between 3.30pm and 4.30pm. The coaches come from WBC care who are situated in Brighton, they make the sessions fun, some of the youngsters have been coming since it started which is nearly three years ago. If you know anyone who may be interested, then tell them to come along and see what they think.

The Weald school contacted us regarding an incident that occurred at the school, we assisted with end of school patrols to deter any further issues.



[Parish Specific/Other/Railway, Social Media/Press](#)

We use social media quite a lot to advertise our Warden drop-ins, Parent Support Socials, Games Café and The Journey – The Autism and SEN group, among many other things as well.

The Journey – SEN and Autism event was held on Monday the 13th of January it was only a small group, however we learnt so much from a lady whose son is an older gentleman with Autism and how research has shown that there is a higher prevalence of lactose intolerance and also in some cases gluten intolerance. It was really interesting to listen to her talk about how removing lactose and gluten from her sons diet helped with some of the behavioural issues such as irritability, anxiety, anger etc. Obviously this won't work for everyone, but in his case there was a big change in his behaviour, once lactose and gluten were removed from his diet. So Maria and myself learnt a lot on the The Journey session held on the 13th of January.

The next Journey is being held at The Depot on Tuesday 25th February 2025 which is next door to the Womens Hall from 10:00 – 11:00 (doors will be open at 09:30 so drop in after you have dropped your children at school)

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 14 Feb | 10am - 11am

Friday 14 Mar | 10am - 11am

Ashington Church, Church Lane, RH20 3JX

Pulborough

Pulborough.wardens@horsham.gov.uk

Thursday 13 Feb | 10:00 am - 11:00am

Thursday 13 Mar | 10:00 am - 11:00am

Pulborough Library, Brooks Way, off Lower Street. RH20 2BP

Storrington & Sullington

Storrington-Sullingtonwardens@horsham.gov.uk

Tuesday 18 Feb | 10am - 11am

Tuesday 18 Mar | 10am - 11am

Storrington Library, (North Street) Car Park.
6 North Street Storrington. RH20 4NZ

Southwater

Southwater.wardens@horsham.gov.uk

Thursday 20 Feb | 10:30am - 11:30am

Thursday 20 Mar | 10:30am - 11:30am

Beeson House, 26 Lintot Square,
Fairbank Road Southwater. RH13 9LA

Billingshurst

billingshurstwardens@horsham.gov.uk

Tuesday 25 Feb | 10.00am - 11.00am

Tuesday 25 Mar | 10.00am - 11.00am

The Depot, 83a High Street, Billingshurst



NEIGHBOURHOOD
WARDENS



Horsham
District
Council

Reporting crime and anti-social behaviour

<p>☎ 999</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. 	<p>☎ 101</p> <p>or report online www.sussex.police.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • All non-emergency incidents where the crime has already happened or there is no immediate risk of harm. 	<p>CrimeStoppers.</p> <p>☎ 0800 555 111</p> <p>crime-stoppers-uk.org</p> <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. 	<p>British Transport Police</p> <p>☎ 0800 40 50 40</p> <p>Text 61016</p> <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. 	<p>Horsham District Council</p> <p>communitysafety@horsham.gov.uk</p> <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.
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See it. Report it.
Reporting crime and ASB means we can work together to reduce it.

 Horsham District Community Safety Partnership
  Horsham District Council

Key:

ASB – Anti-social behaviour

BTP – British Transport Police

101 – Police non-emergency reporting contact number

Operation Crackdown – Joint initiative with Sussex Safer Roads Partnership and Sussex Police to report abandoned vehicles or anti-social driving.

WSCC – West Sussex County Council

CEO – Civil Enforcement Officers who deal with parking offences.

SRCG - Station Road Community Gardens

LSRG - Lower Station Road Recreation Ground

MOP - Member of the Public

HDC – Horsham District Council