

BILLINGSHURST NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDENS

JULY 2023 UPDATE



July has been a busy month; we have been patrolling both in a vehicle and on foot focusing on those areas hit by attempted thefts from motor vehicles; we spoke to a number of residents who had been affected by the incidents. The Police have also been patrolling the areas concerned during the crucial times so hopefully the person will be caught and dealt with.

Our Warden drop-in session in July was held over at Jubilee Fields with Bone Canis, who are dog training and behavioural specialists. There was a lot of interest in the work they do, and some dog owners are now seeking help from Mark and his team. We will be holding another drop-in session with Bone Canis on Tuesday September 5th over at Jubilee Fields between 12.00pm – 2.00pm, so if you have any questions you would like to ask Mark, (or indeed Barry and Julie), please come along and join us.

On Friday 21st July we held a Road Safety Event with West Sussex Fire Service (who had to leave for an emergency), the West Sussex Highways Department, Civil Enforcement Officers, Safer Roads Partnership Officers, Community Speedwatch members and last but not least, Cllr. Ken Peters the Billingshurst Parish Council Chairman and Cllr. Sarah Wilson, another of the Parish Councillors. The event was very successful, the children particularly liked the Highways Department vehicle and The Safer Roads Partnership free give-aways!! We will be holding another event in November to promote responsible road use and stop/prevent the suffering that results from road crash deaths and injuries.

We have some activities going on over the summer holidays which we hope will help prevent young people getting bored over the six-week break. On Wednesday's starting on Wednesday 26th July between 12.00pm – 2.00pm we have some free Football Sessions being held at Lower Station Road Recreation Ground for young people aged 7 years and upwards. This will be every Wednesday apart from 2nd August due to a prior commitment.

We will also have the free Sports Sessions again this year, once again these are being held at Lower Station Road Recreation Ground this time every Thursday from 27th July onwards, between 1.30pm - 3.30pm for young people aged 7 years and upwards, so please bring your children along for these fun activities.

The Bushcraft event which is running on Friday 18th August over at Jubilee Fields is now fully subscribed, however we hope to run another event in the October half term holidays so keep an eye out on our social media channels and Parish Council website etc for more details on the dates/times.

Our next Warden drop in is on Saturday 5th August. On that occasion we will be in Newman's Way Park between 6.00pm -7.00pm and at Challen Street Park between 7.00pm – 8.00pm. Please come and see us if you have any issues you would like to discuss.

Many Thanks

Julie and Barry