

Warden Monthly Report

Billingshurst May 2021

Patrol hours TOTAL:	208	ASB incidents TOTAL:	9
Foot (high visibility)	158	Noise/Miscellaneous	1
Vehicle	50	Neighbours	
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	1	Driving/Vehicles/Parking/Bikes	1
Fixed Penalty Notice		Animals/Dogs	
Yellow card warning		Alcohol/Drugs	
Community Protection Warning/Notice		Public order/Crime/Crim Dam	7
Parking alert	1	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	16
Police reports TOTAL:	17	Fly tipping / flyposting	1
Phone (including 101 and 999)	2	Graffiti	1
Email	6	Dog fouling	
Intelligence report	6	Litter	1
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)		Drug litter	13
Verbal	3	Hazards	
Media reports TOTAL:	11	Community events attended	2
Press release / Community magazines	1	Reports to Operation Crackdown	15
Social Media	10	Safeguarding referral	
Admin	63	School contact	8
Visits to vulnerable people (all ages)	6	Youth engagement	50
Signposting	4	Reports to DVLA	

ASB/crime/criminal damage

We are working jointly with the British Transport Police and Rail Enforcement to combat anti-social behaviour in and around the Station Road area.

We have submitted multiple intelligence reports to Sussex Police regarding the anti-social behaviour of people in the Station Road and Station Road Gardens area.

We have submitted multiple intelligence reports regarding an address believed to be involved in the supply of drugs from a neighbouring parish.

We have submitted multiple intelligence reports regarding a vehicle and address believed involved in the supply of drugs.

We submitted an intelligence report regarding an ice cream van that caused issues last year in Billingshurst and Horsham which has returned to the area.

Intelligence that has been submitted over the last 5 months has led to the arrest of 2 males in Billingshurst and their properties and vehicles being searched. This is part of an ongoing operation into suspected County Lines drug dealing by the police.

The West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service attended The Weald Sports Ground where a wooden pallet had been set alight. We are in liaison with the Fire Service regarding this issue and we spoke to a resident who saw a group of about 6 young people sitting in the area but didn't see them light the fire. They were unable to give any descriptions but will contact the Wardens or Police in the future. We have spoken to the Groundsman and consideration is being made to put up a fence to prevent further incidents.

We had a report from a member of the public regarding the setting of fires in a wooded area close to Jubilee Fields. They reported the breaking down of trees and lots of rubbish being left including broken glass. This has been reported to the WSFRS for their attention.

We were alerted to a potential fraud regarding a person delivering leaflets offering to purchase gold and other items. The leaflets appear to be fake and were using different names. We intercepted a male delivering these leaflets and were able to obtain his details and advised him about his conduct. We have now liaised with West Sussex Trading Standards as this seems to be a County-wide issue and the Police are also aware.

We have had a report from a member of the public that two women were doing a survey and telling residents that there is a Deaf Centre opening in Billingshurst. They asked for donations and names and addresses from those stopped. A report on a media page also stated that one of the residents had their pockets picked, possibly by the same persons. Police have been informed. We patrolled the area of the incident with no sighting.

A young female was seen trying to run across the tracks when the barriers were going down at the train station. She was suitably advised by us and her reply was "I wasn't going to actually do it" although her friends seem to think she was.

We sent intelligence to the police via 101 concerning 2 males seen acting suspiciously in Stane Street area. They had both parked vehicles in a car park and then walked to another waiting vehicle and got in. They appeared not to like our presence and were surveillance aware.

The Fire Service attended a mobile homes site on the A272 after a storage shed had caught fire due to a male allegedly cutting an electric cable. We attended and spoke to residents to check on their welfare.

Parking/Vehicles/Bikes

15 vehicles were reported to Operation Crackdown for parking on the pavement.

1 Parking Alert given to vehicle parked too close to a junction.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

Litter picked Newbridge Road and Jubilee Fields, and the skate park Natts Lane.

Graffiti found on skatepark ramps, some of which was homophobic and with sexual undertones. Reported to HDC and was removed successfully.

Litter pick done in skatepark after a complaint from a resident.

Community engagement/events/meetings

Regular tweets to engage and update the community.

We are involved with a project at a local nursing home to redesign the courtyard to make it a more useable and pleasant space for the residents to go and sit and enjoy their home. With the project money from the Parish Council we were able to buy some items to help with this.

Whilst we were out on patrol a resident came and thanked us for what we do in the local area. It was very nice to have some positive feedback about the work we do.

We were also thanked by the grandfather of one of the missing girls we found which was detailed in last month's report.

We have a schedule of drop-in meetings throughout the summer to engage with the community which are advertised on social media. We carried out our first of our drop-ins at the railway station.

We conducted initial Speedwatch training for 1 volunteer and a refresher for 2 others.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

We carry out Parish-wide patrols and fly tipping checks in known hot spots.

We continue to regularly patrol the green spaces around the village to act as a deterrent and give a visible presence.

Conducting weekly patrols of the High Street to visit shops and check the area.

Regular patrol of Jubilee Fields/ Manor Fields/Cleveland Gardens/Station Road areas.

Regular patrols of Penfold Grange and Ingfield Manor.

Regular patrols of the Daux Road area and fields at rear of the industrial estate.

Regular patrol of local farms for reassurance.

Weekly patrol outside schools with CEOs and school staff.

Elderly and youth

We have continued to meet with the school council on a regular basis.

We have engaged with some of the older young people at the skate park who previously have been resistant to communication. However, they are slowly becoming more accepting of us and our presence.

We spoke to a group of young people in a new build play park area, after a member of the public reported there was a lot of noise and swearing. This group voluntarily left the area without complaint.

We have continued our calls to vulnerable people to check on their wellbeing and that their call alarms are working. We will commence doorstep visits soon to vulnerable people and check their Care Lines and fire alarms. We are now working more closely with the Fire Service and are looking at joint visits.

Licensing

Nothing to report.

Dog related issues

Nothing to report.

Cycling

Nothing to report.

Parish specific/Other/Railway

See above regarding the railway crossing.