

Billingshurst Wardens Monthly Report

January 2022

Patrol hours TOTAL:	200	ASB incidents TOTAL:	6
Foot (high visibility)	144	Noise/Miscellaneous	3
Vehicle	56	Neighbours	0
Notices/warnings TOTAL:		Driving/Vehicles/Parking/Bikes	3
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Animals/Dogs	0
Yellow card warning	0	Alcohol/Drugs	0
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0	Public order/Crime/Crim Dam	0
Parking alert	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	9
Police reports TOTAL:	8	Fly tipping / flyposting	1
Phone (including 101 and 999)	1	Graffiti	1
Email	2	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	3	Litter	2
E-CINS (multi-agency reporting)	0	Drug litter	5
Verbal	2	Hazards	0
Media reports TOTAL:	4	Community events attended	2
Press release / Community magazines	1	Reports to Operation Crackdown	3
Social Media	3	Safeguarding referral	0
Admin	55	School contact	8
Visits to vulnerable people (all ages)	10	Youth engagement	50
Signposting	3	Reports to DVLA	0

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

PSPO – Public Spaces Protection Order

SRG - Station Roads Gardens

LSRG - Lower Station Road Recreation Grounds

ASB/crime/criminal damage

We are working with BTP and Rail Enforcement to combat ASB around the Station Road area. Joint operations are ongoing for this area to combat this.

We are still getting reports of doors being kicked in Penfold Grange, Amblehurst Green, Cleve Way and Little East Street the Police are aware, and we have been patrolling the areas as often as we are able.

Parking/Vehicles/Bikes

3 vehicles reported to operation crackdown for parking illegally or anti socially in the village.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

We found graffiti on one of the skate ramps in the skate park in Natts Lane. This has been reported for removal.

Litter pick around SRG and the green shelter.

Litter pick around SRG, green shelter and Lower Station Road Recreation Ground and the skatepark.

Community engagement/events/meetings

Regular tweets and Facebook posts to engage and update the community appear to be working well and people are now recognising us from these posts we put up.

We held a Warden Drop-in at The Billingshurst Centre there were lots of people who were at the Centre who were interested in what we do, plus one resident who is having issues with ASB. Advice has been given and we will support by patrolling the area where they live.

Phone meeting with HDC Youth Provision Officer regarding sport activities for the next few months. We will be having more discussions regarding this and hope to have some sport activities for the young people of Billingshurst including weekly football, monthly futsal and boxing. We are also liaising with Sussex Clubs for Young People regarding activities that they are looking at and how we can support them.

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 meet with the School Council on a regular basis, where young people discuss issues of the day or anything else they want to talk about. This brings about a lot of interesting discussions which all students on the Council engage with and enjoy.

We meet with some of the older young people at Station Road Gardens and the skatepark on a regular basis. We have built up a very good relationship with them and they have become accepting of our presence. In fact, when the group walk past us, they also wave or say hello. This is a great achievement on our behalf, as a few months ago the group would not engage or talk with us at all.

We have completed several doorstep welfare visits to check careline and smoke alarms and to see if there were any other welfare issues. One resident was given crime prevention advice regarding leaving their front door unlocked. One resident will need a visit or phone call to remind them to test the alarm.

We attended a senior coffee morning and chatted to several older residents, giving advice to those that needed it. It was lovely to see that they were all enjoying being back together after the Christmas Break.

Licensing

Dog related issues

Cycling

Parish specific/Other/Railway

We assisted with finding a venue for the Children's Immunisation Programme with the help of a Parish Councillor and the Fixture Secretary for St Marys Church to hold a clinic for those children who had missed out on their immunisations since the pandemic had begun. The clinic will be running on Thursday 24th February between 0900–1500 hrs at The St Mary's Room in East Street.

We had a foot patrol with one of the candidates for Pulborough, showing them the area and chatting about our role which they said was very beneficial to them and enforced the fact that being a Warden is what they want to.

An articulated vehicle hit the level crossing barrier whilst turning right into Daux Road. We called the police for assistance and road signs to prevent a traffic issue, coned the area (which Tesco kindly lent us) to stop members of the public crossing the level crossing as the trains were still running. We remained in situ until Network Rail had repaired the barrier in order to ensure the safety of the members of public and road users.

We assisted in searching for a high-risk missing person, who thankfully was found safe and sound.

We had a valuable meeting with a member from Billigreen at which who said that they are hoping to go into The Weald and support the Eco Team within the school with their work and surveys. We will assist in this where we are able and are keen to support them anyway, we can.