



HORSHAM NEIGHBOURHOOD WARDENS' REPORT

April 2019

Criminal damage

DENNE

- Regular checks of empty building that has been broken in to on several occasions and reported signs of attempted entry
- Reported graffiti at Horsham Park and the Sainsbury's basement car park

FOREST

- Reported graffiti (Brighton Road)
- Regular checks of abandoned bunker that has been broken into (Chesworth Farm)
- Followed up on reports of young people breaking into a greenhouse and taking drugs – will patrol regularly
- Reported graffiti (Winterton Court side of the railway underpass)

TRAFALGAR

- Reported graffiti (Greenway)
- Advised a member of the public to report vandalism of a sign outside her house to the police

Anti-social behaviour (ASB)

DENNE

- Met with assistant head of Tanbridge to identify young people of concern
- Submitted an intelligence report over drug dealing
- Reported evidence of people setting things on fire to West Sussex Fire and Rescue service on two separate occasions
- Identified means of access to a residential stairwell by people causing ASB and met with a resident to discuss ASB
- Asked 7 x people not to ask people for money (West Street)
- Joint patrol with security company who lock up Swan Walk and Forum car parks
- Responded to reports of male who was drunk and acting anti-socially in town. He was reported twice to police as we were concerned about his safety
- Met with HDC Properties manager to discuss dangerous ways we think people are accessing a residential flat. Steps can now be taken to secure the area
- Moved on an ice cream van from Horsham Park that was not allowed to trade in the area twice. Photographed the access area that the ice cream van is using.
- Asked 2 x males to leave town due to ASB
- Issued 1 x yellow warning for ASB continuing after verbal warning (West Street)

FOREST

- Challenged 2 x males for smoking cannabis (Winterton Court)
- Followed up on reports of suspicious activity regularly happening (not observed, will continue to monitor)

Parking

DENNE

- Parent parking engagement and enforcement session (St Mary's)
 - Asked 5 x cars not to stop on zig-zags

FOREST

- Reported car that regularly parks on grass verge (New Street)

- Issued Parking Alert
 - Car parked on and obscuring a junction (Bennetts Road)
 - Car parked close to pedestrian island (Athelstan Way)
- Spoke with driver who parked vehicle in a dangerous location (Queensway)
- Parent parking engagement and enforcement session (Millais)
 - Asked 12 x cars to park elsewhere due to obstructive parking

TRAFALGAR

- Asked 2 x cars to park elsewhere (Bishopric)

Cycling

DENNE

- Asked a group of youths cycling and skating in the car park to leave (Sainsbury's).
- Asked cyclists to dismount:
 - 10 x West Street
 - 2 x North Street Subway
 - 1 x Albion way subway
- Stopped a cyclist for failing to stop at a red light at pedestrian crossing (North Street)

FOREST

- Asked 3 x cyclist to dismount (Winterton Court side of Railway Subway)

Licensing

DENNE

- Reminded 4 x traders to adhere to conditions of their pedlars license
- Issued 2 x yellow warnings to traders for failing to adhere to the conditions of their license after a verbal warning

Neighbourhood disputes

Fly-tipping and Littering

DENNE

- Report fly-tipping of shelving unit and washing machine (Barttelot Road)
- Reported litter including broken glass and drug paraphernalia for removal
- Drafted letter to send to businesses in West Street regarding cigarette ends regularly being littered
- Reported fly posted sticker (Denne Road)
- Abandoned tents reported for removal A24/Robin hood road roundabout
- Reported damaged bike to Police in case it has been stolen (Forum)
- Reported fly-posting x 2 (East Street & Medwin Walk)
- Asked a person not to feed birds as it attracts rats (Carfax)

TRAFALGAR

- Removed 2 x fly posting (Rushams Road)
- Reported abandoned bike (Shelley Allotments)

FOREST

- Reported fly tipping (Hampers Court)
- Reported stickers as fly posting for removal:
 - possible offensive sticker and notified police (Railway Subway)
 - Non offensive sticker (Railway Subway)
 - Sticker advertising sale of cannabis (Railway Subway – Winterton Court Side)

Dog fouling / issues with dogs

DENNE

- Reported dog fouling for removal
 - Barttelot Road
 - Chichester Terrance
- Reported full dog bin x 2 (Horsham Park)

- Regular patrols of fouling hotspot areas (incl. Norfolk Road, Wellington Road, Chichester Terrace and Barttelot Road)

TRAFALGAR

- Reported dog fouling for removal (Swindon Road)
- Regular patrols of fouling hotspots (incl. Swindon Road, Trafalgar Road and Victory Road)
- Put up Public Space Protection Order sign that covers dog fouling (Swindon Road)

FOREST

- Reminded a woman to pick up after her dog (Bennetts Field)

DENNE & TRAFALGAR

- Engagement with residents to gather information on dog fouling hotspots

Elderly / vulnerable

DENNE

- Signposted town visitor to police station (West Street)
- Encouraged a male to report crime to police. We will continue to check on him when we see him and have passed onto the police.
- Submitted safeguarding referral
- Submitted 4 x Street Link referrals

FOREST

- Visited Community Link clients list and tested alarms.
 - Followed up with Fire Service enquiry on when the battery will be replaced on a special alarm.
- Met with Strawford Centre (day centre for people with learning difficulties) to introduce ourselves – introductions to the members to follow
- Attended Salvation Army drop in

TRAFALGAR

- Followed up on reports of a group sleeping in tents near Rookwood Golf Course (unable to locate)

ALL

- Met with the Butterfly Project to discuss the launch of Our Town Bands Together initiative at Piazza Italia and recruited volunteers for the day
- Piloted Bands Together at the Piazza Italia event and assisted the Butterfly Project staff and members in promotions.
 - Feedback during the event has been positive
 - One person was able to order their food early and collect later to avoid having to queue during lunchtime
 - One person found the cars too loud. An exhibitor noticed his distress and turned the engine off

Events and Training

ALL

- Attended full warden team meeting to share information and ideas
- Carried out patrols at Piazza Italia event and gave information and directions to members of the public
- Attended Loan Shark training

Other

ALL

- Development of posters and leaflets for parking awareness, reporting ASB, drug awareness posters for schools and for next drug awareness week
- Joint patrol with new Warden Supervisor, Carly Jenkins, to show her our area and things we come across

DENNE

- Asked a group to stop doing parkour in the town centre and spoke to them about where they can do it and clubs they attend
- Gave directions following a road closure
- Joint patrol with AP Security (company that locks up the car parks in the town centre) of car parks

- Reported fire exit light found in a stairwell (Forum)
- Asked parents to not let children play on sundial (Forum)
- Asked a member of the public not to use the emergency exit stairwells unless it is an emergency
- Handed in a camera bag to the lost and found point at Piazza Italia
- Returned keys that were left in a mobility scooter to the owner once we had located them
- Asked a group to not climb over the tennis courts fence and retrieved their football for them

FOREST

- Herded a family of ducks back to the safety of their pond after they decided to try and tackle crossing a busy road
- Gave directions

TRAFALGAR

- Visited 2 x assemblies at Greenway Academy to introduce ourselves to the students and explain our role. We had run a competition with year 5 & 6 students to design a poster raising awareness about dog fouling. We announced the winners at the assembly.

Patrol Hours Log (from 1st April to 30th April)

DENNE	FOREST	TRAFALGAR
18 hours 40 minutes	13 hours 20 minutes	12 hours 40 minutes
ALL NEIGHBOURHOODS		
OUTREACH	MEETINGS	TRAINING
17 hours	5 hours	2 hours 30 minutes