

Warden Monthly Report

August 2026 - Ashington

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) and crime

We have been working in partnership with Sussex police to tackle the growing problem of E scooters around Ashington. We are reporting to the police any incidents where we witness E-scooters being used around the village. Numerous residents have reported to us the concerns of young people using them dangerously around the village.

We continue to work with a local business who has been dealing with threats, community safety and Sussex police are aware and we are working together to come up with a resolution.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti.

We have discovered multiple fly tipping incidents down Old London Road, these have been reported into Horsham district Council and have since been cleared. If you find fly tipping of any description then please do report it into Horsham with any details of those who may have done it.

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/report-fly-tipping>

Community engagement/events/meetings

Another year of a brilliant Ashington Festival, well done to all those involved in organising it. We had a great day engaging with residents and organisations during the day. We had good conversations with various teams from across the district including Southern Water, West Sussex waste and recycling and Horsham Police. Everyone appeared to have a nice time despite the dog show and fireworks needing to be cancelled due to the heat.



In partnership with Ashington Youth Club we organised a Youth Fun Day on the recreation ground. It was a huge success, with an inflatable slide, a massive inflatable assault course and free BBQ, as well as full access to the youth club. We had over 120 children and young people attend with their parents; we received lots of positive feedback and are looking at what else we can put on together.



Patrols (foot/visible and car)

This month we have been out in Ashington, both on foot and in the vehicle. We have covered the whole parish and focused on areas of concern around litter, dog fouling and graffiti. It has been particularly nice engaging with the young people as they have been home for summer holidays.

Older, vulnerable people and youth

We have continued this month supporting a family who are having difficulties, and the emotional challenges that arise with it. we are working with other organisations who are equipped to help families and individuals who find themselves in these situations. Please do reach out to us if you require further support or advice.

We attended Cuppa and Chat this month, it is run on the second Monday of every month at The Red Lion, in partnership with AGE UK. We have a lovely group who meet there and get free refillable Coffee and Tea, this month Bruce attended to discuss vaccinations with group.

Summer Brick club has been successful; we are getting a few of the same faces return and some who are new to the village. It is a great opportunity for parents to have time to chat together as well as with us. The children are enjoying the venue being in the youth club, letting their imaginations run wild with building different creations and the free snacks available. We provide free drinks and snacks, which always go down well. We have set out our dates for the autumn term so hopefully we will attract more residents.





Vehicle related issues.

We have reported in 2 abandoned vehicles across the parish this month. Please use the below link to check if you discover any abandoned vehicles. <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/report/abandoned-vehicles>

Parish specific/other

This month we have received multiple complaints around different noise concerns from various places and neighbours from across Ashington. In the summer people tend to have the house windows open longer and stay in their gardens later, please be considerate to those neighbours around you when socialising late or doing work in the garden. Some of these matters are being reported into Environmental Health to be recorded and monitored.

Social media/press

We have written another article in Sussex Local which is a free magazine delivered to all households. We have also been putting out social media posts relating to events we have coming up. If you would like to follow our Facebook page you will find it <https://www.facebook.com/HDWardens>

If you know of someone who would be interested in reading our monthly report, but they do not have access to the internet, please contact us and we will be happy to deliver a printed copy to them.

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