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WARDENS



Denne, Trafalgar, and Forest Neighbourhood Councils

Neighbourhood Warden Report October 2025

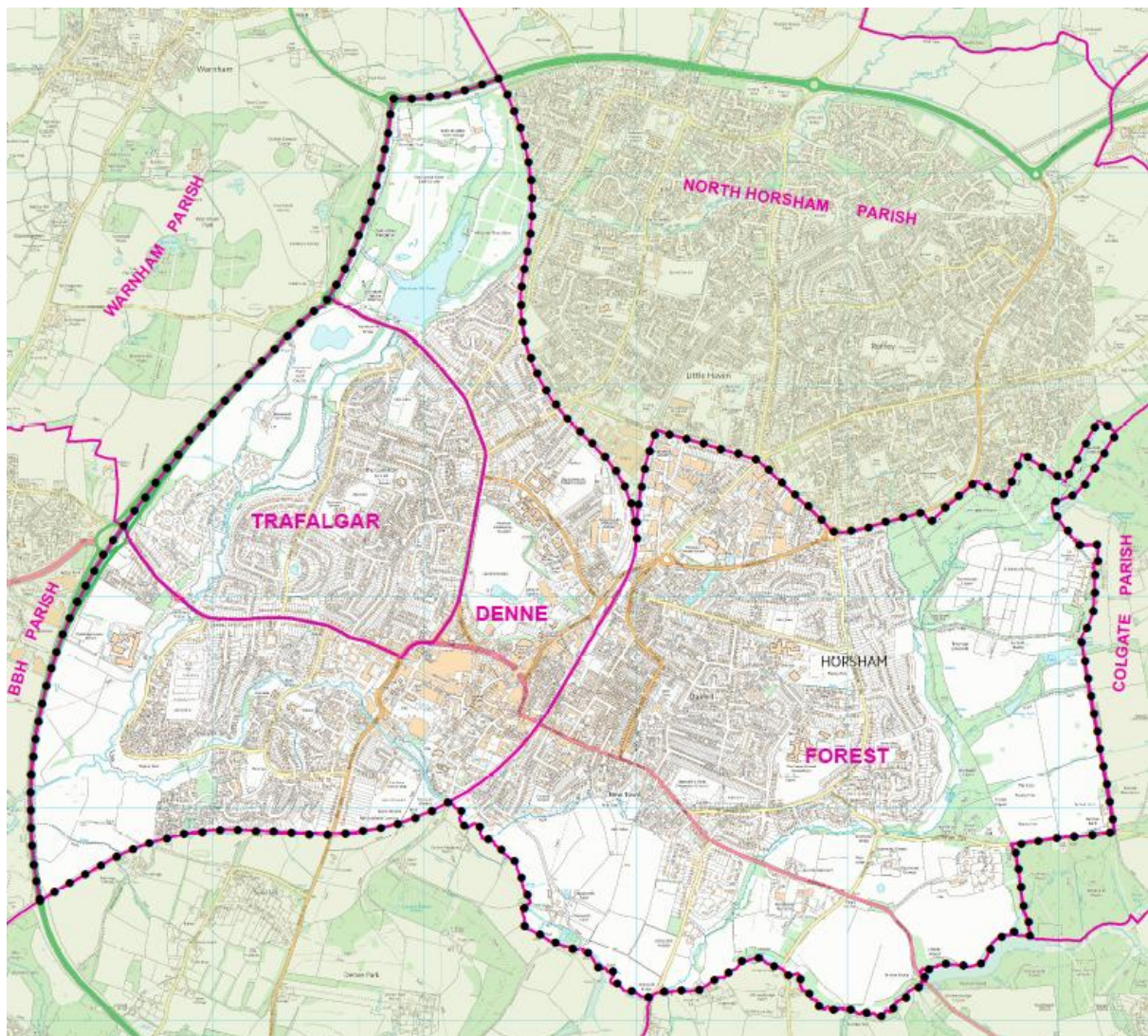
Patrols

During the month of October, we were on patrol in the community for a total of 132 hours.

October's patrol time included 71 hours 30 mins in Denne. We completed numerous joint patrols with the Police's Horsham Town Team (team of six local PCSOs) we also attended Horsham Police Station for an engagement event aimed at adults with disabilities.

We spent 30 hours 30 mins in Forest which included covering areas such as New Street and Bennetts Field, along with joining PCSO Laws on joint patrols.

We spent 30 hours in Trafalgar this month. This included completing checks of the parks and green spaces.



Community engagement/events/meetings

Dungeons & Dragons Club:

Our Dungeons & Dragons Club evenings, in partnership with 4TheYouth, continue to be a great success. We have seen new young people joining each week and regulars returning. There is still space available for more young people to join this club.

Should you know a young person who wishes to attend this club, then please feel free to sign them up using the link below. We expect this to fill up fast, so please don't hesitate in getting your young person signed up! <https://bookwhen.com/4theyouthltd>



Horsham Market:

As always, we continue to stay in close contact with Horsham Market and speak with the market stall holders. Horsham Market is an amazing hub of the community, and we would encourage anyone to attend on a Thursday, Friday or Saturday.



Engagement event at Horsham Police Station:

This month, we joined officers from Horsham Police Station, in hosting an engagement event aimed at adults with disabilities. This event was a great success, the visitors had the opportunity to meet the local Neighbourhood Policing Teams, the Police Dog Unit and ourselves. They also had the opportunity to see some of the police vehicles and equipment along with a tour of the station, former cells and tunnels that previously transported detainees to the courts next door. We would like to thank our colleagues at Sussex Police for the opportunity to attend this event, along with taking the time to organise it.



Winter Warm Ups:

In October, we attended the Winter Warm Ups, hosted by our Community Development Team. This was a great opportunity for us to meet some of our older residents and offer advice regarding a whole range of different issues that residents may face. We covered everything from scams to cold calling. We also handed out a number of leaflets and advice booklets giving advice on scams. This also gave the residents an opportunity to feedback any concerns that they may have in their area, as well as ask any questions.



We visited the Phoenix Stroke Club this month alongside PCSO Norman and PCSO Symmons. We covered various topics around protecting yourselves from scams, local crime and how to report it.

If you would like to learn more about the club, or you know someone who may wish to attend these groups, then please visit their website on; <https://www.phoenixstrokeclub.org.uk/>



West Sussex Fire and Rescue Service Safe and Well visits:

Visits are tailored to the specific needs of the household and normally last between 30-45 minutes. The fire service personnel who visit always carry identification.

<https://www.westsussex.gov.uk/fire-emergencies-and-crime/west-sussex-fire-and-rescue-service/home-fire-safety/safe-and-well-visit/>



Sussex Police and anti-social behaviour

Sussex Police:

As Neighbourhood Wardens we have been in contact with our Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) this month and continue to share information with them. We have a dedicated 'Town Team' of five PCSOs. During October we had approximately 19 calls with the PCSO Town Team, and we completed 21 joint patrols. Your Town Team consists of PCSO Bell, PCSO De Barros, PCSO Fitzpatrick, PCSO Mill and PCSO Ross.

In Forest Neighbourhood, PCSO Christina Laws is the local PCSO. We will be continuing to join PCSO Laws over the coming months to host street briefings and conduct joint patrols in the Forest Neighbourhood.

In Trafalgar Neighbourhood, PCSO Kyle Berriman is the local PCSO. We meet with PCSO Berriman frequently to discuss the Trafalgar Neighbourhood and attend community events together.

If there are any community events that you believe would benefit from a visit from the Neighbourhood Wardens and / or PCSOs, then please get in touch with us and this can be arranged.

Anti-social behaviour:

As the winter season draws closer, the dark nights get earlier. We will continue to patrol during the hours of darkness, throughout our regular shifts, keeping a watchful eye out for anti-social behaviour. We will continue to team up with our colleagues at Sussex Police and complete joint patrols in the Denne, Forest and Trafalgar Neighbourhoods.

For more information on how to report anti-social behaviour and the council's role regarding anti-social behaviour, please visit the link below:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/community/safety-and-emergencies/anti-social-behaviour>

Cycling

This month, we have seen a decrease in cycling on West Street. We have asked 11 cyclists to dismount, all of whom dismounted upon request.

Bike thefts are still prevalent, and members of the public can order their own anti-theft stickers from The Bike Register <https://www.bikeregister.com/>

Sussex Police have also shared information on how to secure your bike appropriately: <https://www.sussex.police.uk/cp/crime-prevention/keeping-vehicles-safe/how-safe-is-your-bike/>



Older residents, vulnerable people and youth engagement

Youth engagement:

We have spoken with several of our 'known' young people and engaged with them 10 times this month.

As mentioned above, we also hold our Dungeons & Dragons Club, which is an excellent way to engage with a new group of young people.

Vulnerable residents:

In October, we have been in contact with five members of our community who are potentially vulnerable. We continue to signpost to support and ensure that services are working with these residents.

Signposting:

We've had 76 conversations described as 'signposting' this month. This can be anything from our local foodbanks and community fridge to advising on the best way to report crime. During our foot patrols, we spend a lot of time discussing with residents the support and resources available to them. Please see our resources page (attached in the email you received with this report) for the services we regularly signpost to.

Reporting crime and anti-social behaviour

999	101	CrimeStoppers.	British Transport Police	Horsham District Council
• A crime is happening now. • Someone is in immediate danger or at risk of harm. • Property is in danger of being seriously damaged. • A serious disruption to the public is likely.	• All non-emergency incidents where the crime has already happened or there is no immediate risk of harm.	• To report crime 100% anonymously. • CrimeStoppers is not the police – it is an independent charity working to help communities. • Information given will be shared anonymously with the police.	• Non-emergency incidents on a train or at a station can be reported direct to the British Transport Police online: www.btp.police.uk/reportcrime. • There is also a Railway Guardian app.	• Report general anti-social behaviour and repeated public nuisance to the ASB team at Horsham District Council. • You can also report litter, fly-tipping, graffiti, dogs and dog fouling online: www.horsham.gov.uk/report.

See it. Report it.
Reporting crime and ASB means we can work together to reduce it.

Horsham District Community Safety Partnership

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Safeguarding:

Our approach to safeguarding has changed at Horsham District Council. We now have Safeguarding Champions who are trained within the Council. This is in response to WSCC having an incredibly high demand of safeguarding referrals. This will ensure we have tried to utilise all resources and services available before we complete an official safeguarding referral.