

# Warden Monthly Report

July 2025 Ashington

## ASB

There has been an increase this month of empty nitrous oxide cannisters found in the car park at the community centre. We have ensured these have been removed and reported this into the police.

## Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

We have removed and disposed of multiple banners that had been left up around the village.

We have reported into Horsham District Council about multiple sites of graffiti around the village.

A resident reported in about two ride on cars being left in Turnpike play park, we reported these into Horsham District Council who came to collect them. Unfortunately, these were damaged before they were collected.

## Community engagement/events/meetings

Ashington Primary School held its annual summer festival, it was a pleasure to attend and engage with parents, children and staff there. It was great speaking with the year 5&6 students who we recently worked with in the school.

## Patrols (foot/visible and car)

We have been out on patrol covering all of Ashington this month either by foot or vehicle. It has been nice to have an increase in residents engaging with us when we are out.

## Older, vulnerable people and youth

We have run Cuppa and Chat at the Red lion this month with Age UK. It is a session that is very much appreciated by the residents who attend as they often admit to feeling lonely and isolated. Age UK are keen to work further with residents who need any extra support or advice. The Red Lion host this session free of charge, so there are now will be no charge for the drinks.

We have visited the church seniors' café this month, which is a well-attended group. They have a great team of volunteers and plenty of drinks and cake. Talking with residents at this event they use the time to report to us concerns. Many of them talk about how isolation and loneliness affects them as well.

We have visited Steyning Grammer Rock Road Campus to engage with the young people and staff as they were preparing for the summer holidays.

We hosted another monthly 'Journey' group for parents and carers of children with SEN. It is an opportunity to talk through concerns but also offer support and advice to those who attend.

SEN multisport sessions are continuing to be a great success and meeting a need for both vulnerable children and their parents. They have been renamed to 'Stay and Play' as we have slightly adapted the activities there to meet the needs of the children that attend.

## Vehicle related issues

We reported in again to Sussex Police operation crackdown about a vehicle in the village with no MOT or Tax.

We received a complaint around anti-social parking, using the footpath to access parking. We are currently trying to ascertain who the land owner is so we can work together to deter this unsafe parking.

## Parish specific/other

We have received a couple of noise complaints around bikes being used somewhere south of the village we are working with residents and Environmental Health at Horsham District Council to try to establish where this is coming from and what can be done.

## Social media/press

We have written another monthly article to be published in Sussex Local magazine. We have also published our events on the Horsham District Neighbourhood Wardens Facebook page. Please contact us if you would like to know more .

