

Warden Monthly Report

January 2026 Ashington

Anti-social behaviour (ASB) and crime

We have spent a lot of time this month working with residents and businesses at the south end of the village. This followed on from reports of residents and businesses reporting intimidating behaviours, vehicle damage, and rising tensions. We have been visiting residents and businesses to offer support, and signpost where necessary. We have also been working with the managing agent for the building, and the police, and are looking at how we can work together to alleviate tensions as well as to address the parking complaints for residents and businesses down there. We are continuing to work on this with the businesses/ residents/ the managing agent and the police to come to a resolution for everyone.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti

We have been out litter picking at different points this month across the village. We are keen to organise a big spring litter pick and tidy up of the village.

Community engagement/events/meetings

We had another successful journey session with parents and carers this month.

We held another community hub session this month, we will continue to get the word out there and see if we can increase the numbers of families attending in the spring.

We have visited Rock Road again this month to engage with the young people. It was nice to see them after their Christmas break where they were very keen to tell us about things they got for Christmas. We look forward to catching them again at Youth Club soon. This has created some really good relationships where the young people feel they can come and talk to us, encourages communication and they go out of their way to talk to us about anything they are worried about, so we find it hugely important.

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 been supporting people in the village with food this month. The Storehouse were extremely helpful but we have also been in touch with The Wholesome Warehouse for continued ongoing support. They are happy to assist and we will continue to arrange food for people that need it. As

well as this we are also signposting for other support that people might not be aware of to make sure they are getting all the help they can.

Vehicle related issues

We received a report of a vehicle slowly driving around the village doing the same route slowly. This caused a resident concern and they reported it to us. We have liaised with the police and have submitted intelligence.

Parish specific/other

We reported a broken man hole cover along Church Lane which was a hazard for residents walking along the footpath.

We have reported numerous pot holes along The Sands and other places in the village, some of which have been marked to be repaired.

We are currently working on two neighbour disputes in the village. These continue to be ongoing and there is partnership working with the police and other services on these.

We received a report from a resident who received a prosecution letter from a train company after someone got caught for fare evasion and falsely gave their address to send the fine to. We have provided support and guidance to them in how to deal with this.

Social media/press

We are getting positive feedback about the articles we have written for Sussex Local magazine. If any residents would like further information then they are welcome to contact us. We are also posting on Facebook to advertise the events we are running.

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