



Horsham  
District  
Council



NEIGHBOURHOOD  
WARDENS



# **Denne, Trafalgar, and Forest Neighbourhood Councils**

## **Neighbourhood Warden Report January 2026**

## High-Visibility Livery – Horsham Warden Vehicle.

You will be pleased to hear that our warden vehicle has recently been professionally sign written, giving it a smart appearance that clearly reflects our role in the community. The clean, bold lettering and high-visibility graphics ensure that the vehicle is easily recognisable, whether parked or on patrol. The updated design not only promotes our presence but also helps strengthen community awareness and visibility of the services we provide. Overall, the signwriting helps residents quickly identify us when assistance or support is needed.



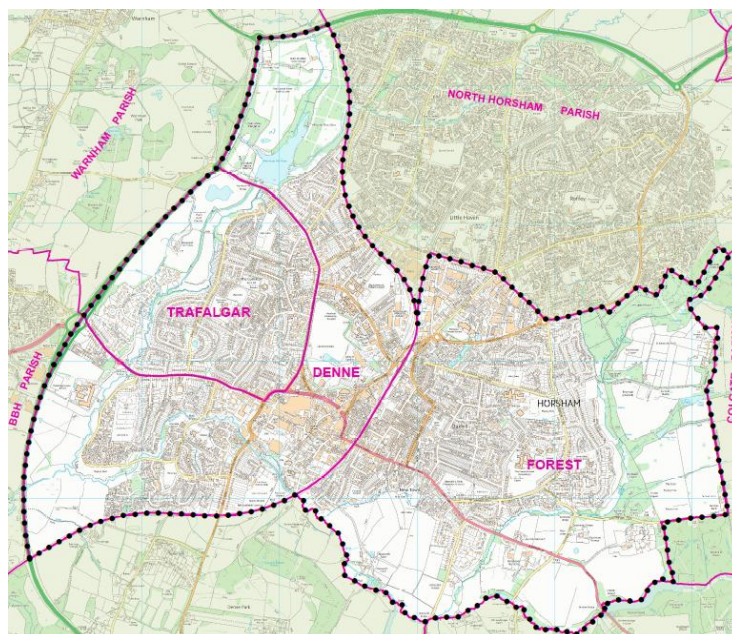
## Patrols

During the month of January, we were on patrol in the community for a total of 102 hours 40 minutes.

January's patrol time included 45 hours 40 minutes in Denne. We completed numerous joint patrols with the Police's Horsham Town Team.

We spent 27 hours 30 minutes in Forest which included covering areas such as New Street and Bennetts Field.

We spent 29 hours 30 minutes in Trafalgar this month. This included completing checks of the parks and green spaces.

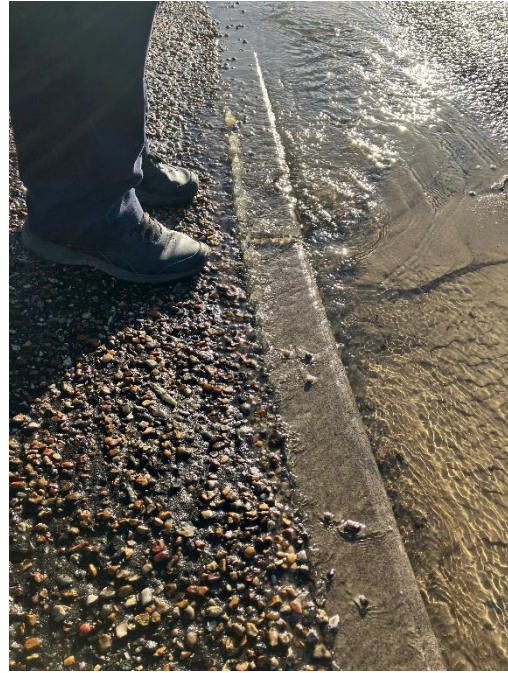




## Community engagement/events/meetings

### Burst Water Main:

During the cold weather we faced in January, whilst out on our regular patrols of the Trafalgar Neighbourhood, we discovered a burst water main that was pouring water up through the pavement. We immediately contacted Southern Water who remotely assessed the damage via weblink to our phone camera. Southern Water sent out an investigator within 2 hours and the pipe was repaired within 24 hours. We hope this took the burden off of the local residents.



### Dungeons & Dragons Club:

Our Dungeons & Dragons Club evenings, in partnership with 4TheYouth, is continuing in 2026. 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 do not hesitate in getting your young person signed up! <https://bookwhen.com/4theyouthltd>



### **Horsham Market:**

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



## **Sussex Police and Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB)**

### **Sussex Police:**

As Neighbourhood Wardens we are in regular contact with our Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) in January and continue to share information with them.

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.

### **Winter of action:**

You may recall that during the summer period, we joined our colleagues from Sussex Police with the 'Safer Streets Summer Initiative', rolled out by the Home Office. Building on the success of the Safer Streets Summer programme, this winter's campaign called 'Winter of action' targeted town centre criminality, shop theft, street crime, and anti-social behaviour.

We worked again alongside our colleagues at Sussex Police on this initiative. We totalled 77 Hours and 15 Minutes of patrol, within the town centre area, during this initiative and 35 joint patrols with Horsham's Neighbourhood Policing Team. We look forward to our continuing partnership working with Horsham's Neighbourhood Policing Team.





### **Anti-social behaviour:**

We have seen a slight increase in ASB in town over January. We continue to address anti-social behaviour as and when we come across it during our regular patrols. 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 4 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:**

In January, we had low youth engagement in public but, as mentioned above, we also hold our Dungeons & Dragons Club which is an excellent way to engage with a new group of young people. The club is a continued success.

#### **Vulnerable residents:**

In January, we have been in contact with six 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 have had 65 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.