

# Warden Monthly Report

STEYNING, BRAMBER AND UPPER BEEDING

NOVEMBER 2024

|                                               |           |                                         |          |
|-----------------------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------------------|----------|
| <b>Hi vis Patrol hours TOTAL:</b>             | <b>79</b> | <b>ASB incidents TOTAL:</b>             | <b>8</b> |
| Foot - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding         | 15/5/12   | Noise                                   | 1        |
| Vehicle - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding      | 24/6/17   | Neighbours                              | 2        |
| <b>Notices/warnings TOTAL:</b>                | <b>1</b>  | Driving/vehicles                        | 1        |
| Verbal warning                                | 0         | Bicycles                                | 0        |
| Parking alert                                 | 1         | E-scooters                              | 3        |
| Yellow card warning (ASB)                     | 0         | Alcohol                                 | 1        |
| Community Protection Warning/Notice           | 0         |                                         |          |
| Fixed Penalty Notice                          | 0         | <b>Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:</b> | <b>5</b> |
| <b>Reports into Police TOTAL:</b>             | <b>9</b>  | Fly tipping / flyposting                | 3        |
| Phone (including 101 and 999)                 | 2         | Graffiti                                | 0        |
| Online                                        | 2         | Dog fouling                             | 0        |
| Intelligence report                           | 0         | Litter                                  | 0        |
| Verbal                                        | 5         | Drug litter                             | 1        |
|                                               |           | Hazards                                 | 1        |
| <b>Media Reports TOTAL:</b>                   | <b>6</b>  |                                         |          |
| Press release/Community magazines             | 1         |                                         |          |
| Social media posts                            | 5         | <b>Community events attended</b>        | <b>1</b> |
| <b>Admin, Training, Meetings &amp; Events</b> | <b>33</b> | <b>School contact</b>                   | <b>6</b> |
| <b>Vulnerable people welfare checks</b>       | <b>4</b>  | <b>Youth engagement</b>                 | <b>5</b> |
| <b>Signposting</b>                            | <b>1</b>  | <b>Reports to DVLA</b>                  | <b>0</b> |
| <b>Safeguarding referral</b>                  | <b>1</b>  | <b>Reports to Operation Crackdown</b>   | <b>0</b> |

## ASB (antisocial behaviour)/Crime

We received reports of suspicious behaviour of males approaching students from outside the Steyning Grammar main site and a bus stop near the Towers site. We advised the incidents be reported to the police and we informed the PCSO (Police Community Support Officer) and carried out patrols at the reported times to be a visual deterrent. We recommended a communication be sent out to the parents advising their children be vigilant when going/leaving school and posted on social media encouraging people to report suspicious behaviour to the police. We also did a joint patrol with the PCSO and spoke with the pastoral care team at the school.

### Steyning

We were informed about a group of young people potentially playing with matches on the High Street. We will keep this in mind on our patrols to engage with any groups we see with matches or lighters.

We received a message that there was an egging incident on Halloween. Unfortunately, we received the report after the event so were unable to attend but followed up on the report.

We spoke with the Big Issue seller who informed us that a lady that is not assigned to the Steyning area has been selling magazines there and asking for money. He was worried how this could impact him and his reputation as it had upset some of his regular customers. We contacted the regional manager for the Big Issue and will challenge her if seen again in Steyning.

We reported the use of an electric scooter along Church Street and Sheep Pen Lane to the police. We informed the police of another instance on Bramber Road. Both riders are known to us.

We were informed of an aerosol can being set on fire at Fletchers Croft and children climbing up onto a garage and causing damage to the roof from the PCSO. From the CCTV we have been able to identify a group that were turned away from the Steyning Centre believed to have set fire to the aerosol. We discussed this with the PCSO who will be taking the issue further.

#### **Bramber**

While on an evening vehicle patrol, an electric scooter swerved out into the road with two riders on it. There was another scooter on the path with 2 more riders on it. The group made their way up to Bramber Castle. We contacted the police who were able to send two PCSOs to take the groups details. It was suspected that the group had been drinking. Words of advice were given regarding the electric scooters and the PCSO will be following up with the school as two of the group are believed to be local to the area.

#### **Upper Beeding**

We were sent a video of a person stealing. The young person was in uniform. We have notified the school and met with the pastoral care team to try and identify the person involved. Unfortunately, the student wasn't from the Towers site but the school is still supporting us to try and identify them and if there are any vulnerabilities we need to be aware of that are resulting in the stealing. The Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) was also sent the video and is aware.

A resident called to notify us of a neighbour that is blocking access to their garage and carrying out works on cars as part of a business in a residential block of garages. It was also reported that the person blocking access is working on vehicles and pouring oil down the drains, we challenged the individual in relation to this and he showed us an oil drum he is using to store oil and we are satisfied he is disposing of it properly.

### [Parking/vehicles](#)

#### **Steyning**

A parking alert was issued for a vehicle parked too close to the junction on Middle Mead.

A resident spoke to us about dangerous parking around the school. We will be placing posters up in the worst areas and will speak with the HDC parking team to see if they can help with after school patrols.

#### **Bramber**

Nothing to report

#### **Upper Beeding**

A resident contacted us regarding difficulties accessing their private garage due to a neighbour working on cars in the garage block. We have spoken with both parties and have made enquiries into Mediation Plus for them.

### [Fly tipping/littering/graffiti](#)

#### **Steyning**

Fly tipping on Titch Hill: garden waste x 2

Mattress

#### **Bramber**

Nothing to report

#### **Upper Beeding**



## Community engagement/events/meetings

We had a meeting with the new Community Services Manager for Horsham District Council. We discussed the types of issues and vulnerabilities we face in Steyning, Bramber and Upper Beeding and showed her around the area.

We attended the all staff briefing for Horsham District Council staff to be updated on the latest news from HDC.

### **Steyning**

We were asked by Neighbourhood Watch to volunteer at a BT Digital Voice Drop In event in Steyning Library. We completed two short training sessions before the drop in event where we answered basic questions about the switch over. It was a very busy event and we also received some welfare check requests on behalf of vulnerable neighbours of people that attended.

### **Bramber and Upper Beeding**

Nothing to report.

### **UPDATES FROM OCTOBER**

The police are aware of the threatening behaviour of a resident towards a high street worker as advised by us they reported this to the Police. There have been other similar incidents of threatening behaviour towards other members of the public by the same individual, one of which is now being investigated and the perpetrator questioned by Police.

We have asked our management to chase the DISC officer to speak with Co-Op regarding using the DISC system as we do not believe this has happened yet.

The group does not seem to be kicking footballs at the sports hall in Upper Beeding anymore.

The resident experiencing the ASB did not want to take any further action.

## Patrols (foot/visible and car)

### **Steyning**

- High Street
- Bus Shelter
- MPF
- Fletchers Croft

### **Bramber**

- Bramber Castle and nearby footpath/train line signs
- Botolph's Church

### **Upper Beeding**

- Smugglers Lane
- Playing field
- Beeding Hill/Truleigh Hill

## Older, vulnerable people and youth

### **Steyning**

While on a vehicle patrol, we saw a lady that had fallen on the High Street. We went and helped her.

A resident has received a letter from environmental health informing them of a noise complaint. We met with the resident and it appears to be an ongoing neighbour dispute. We have contacted environmental health for additional information and will be suggesting mediation.

One of the Civil Enforcement Officers (parking wardens) informed us of a report they had received from Truffles of a customer that had no shoes on and they were worried for. We spoke with the member of staff that dealt with the

customer and have a description. We passed on our contact details should they be seen again and will keep an eye out on our patrols.

The Civil Enforcement Officers came across a person that was confused and had been discharged from hospital. They had called for an ambulance and notified us of the person. We took our first aid kit to help. The ambulance checked the person over but they did not want to be taken to hospital. About an hour later they were back walking along the Highstreet. We engaged with him and made a referral to Street Link (a charity that supports people that are homeless) but it was not clear where he would be sleeping so it was unlikely the outreach worker would have been able to find him. The next morning, we looked for him and did not receive any further reports so believe he has moved onto another location.

We have liaised between Age UK and Dingemans to set up a pop-up lunch in February for the residents.

We were notified of a vulnerable resident that has mental health concerns currently. We carried out a welfare check and will be making a referral to West Sussex Fire and Rescue (WSFR) for a Safe and Well visit and Age UK to discuss any additional benefits they may be entitled to. We are also looking into local activities they can take part in to help with their wellbeing.

### **Bramber**

Nothing to report.

### **Upper Beeding**

We were made aware of a resident that has been acting strangely and making a banging noise late at night. We will be speaking with the PCSO to provide an update.

A PCSO contacted us regarding a vulnerable resident that they had been supporting. They asked us to visit the resident to provide information on ways they can get involved in the community as they have recently moved here and are isolated.

## **Dog related issues**

### **Steypning**

We were notified of two dogs being let off the lead in the car park by the health centre/back of the high street.

We informed the PCSO regarding members of the public informing us that a dog that is allegedly under police order to be muzzled is not being muzzled.

### **Upper Beeding and Bramber**

Nothing to report.

## **Cycling**

Nothing to report.

## **Parish specific/other**

A couple came to police station but unfortunately it was closed. They have land in Thakeham and someone has broken the gate lock and put two horses on the land. They had previously contacted the police but needed advice on what contact details to leave on the eviction notice as they did not want to leave their own details. We advised they call 101 for further information.

### **Steypning**

We attend the service for Remembrance Day.

We collected signs that will be encouraging people to report overgrown footpaths, litter, pot holes, dog fouling, fly tipping, anti-social behaviour and e-scooters and will be displaying them where appropriate.

**Upper Beeding**

Nothing to report.

**Bramber**

We were notified that the public toilets needed cleaning and passed this onto the Parish Council. The person reporting commented that the cleanliness of the toilets are kept to a really high standard and that this was a one off.

We have been given additional phone numbers that we can be contacted on. You can now reach us the following ways:

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