

Warden Monthly Report

STEYNING, BRAMBER AND UPPER BEEDING

April 2026

Hi Vis Patrol hours TOTAL:	77.25	ASB incidents TOTAL:	5
Foot - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding	54.5	Noise	1
Vehicle - Steyning/Bramber/Upper Beeding	22.75	Neighbours	1
Notices/warnings TOTAL:	9	Driving/vehicles	3
Verbal warning	1	Bicycles	0
Parking alert	8	E-scooters	0
Yellow card warning (ASB)	0	Alcohol	0
Community Protection Warning/Notice	0		
Fixed Penalty Notice	0	Clear up/disposal reports TOTAL:	2
Reports into Police TOTAL:	3	Fly tipping / flyposting	0
Phone (including 101 and 999)	1	Graffiti	1
Online	2	Dog fouling	0
Intelligence report	0	Litter	0
Verbal	0	Drug litter	0
		Hazards	1
Media Reports TOTAL:	9		
Press release/Community magazines	1		
Social media posts	8	Community events attended	13
Admin	11.25	School contact	3
Vulnerable people welfare checks	8	Youth engagement	4
Signposting	1	Reports to DVLA	1
Safeguarding referral	0	Reports to Operation Crackdown	0

ASB crime

Steyning:

- We received a complaint from our PCSO (Tracy Bicknell) that youths were congregated at the Bus stop along Steyning High Street. Youths were making lots of noise and being quite boisterous. On arrival there was three youths having a water fight with water guns. We told them to stop what they were doing, and this was not the place to be behaving this way. The youths were excitable but not aggressive. They were very respectful to what we were asking them to do. They left straight away, heading towards the cricket ground. We have video footage from our bodycam which we will pass on to Tracy.
- A member of staff at the Co-op informed us of a person that they did not know the identity of stealing on a regular basis. The Co-op has an internal reporting system for theft, we made the PCSO aware.
- We carried out a joint patrol of Steyning with the PCSO.
- We received a call from the Co-op, Steyning High Street regarding a youth who is consistently stealing from the store. We have viewed the CCTV footage and have a good picture of this person. We will check with the local School to gain his identity.
- We received a report of a person acting suspiciously in Fletchers Croft car park. Based on the information given we advised they contact the police on 101. We spoke with the PCSO and have carried out additional patrols at the reported times.

Bramber:

Upper Beeding:

- We received reports of a person acting strangely in Upper Beeding, they took rubbish out of the bins, hid a bin and laid clothing out on a wall. We made some enquiries and the police attended at the time. We called the residents that had reported to us and made enquiries with the PCSO. He was seen the following day in the morning in the area; we carried out extra patrols but were not able to locate him and believe he had left. **Update: We have since found out that this person was detained by the police under the Mental Health Act and taken to Worthing Hospital. Current whereabouts unknown.**
- We visited Upper Beeding Primary School as we have received reports of two local kids being disruptive in the local area. This consists of them knocking on doors and running away. The School informed us that one of the kids goes to the School and will speak to the students Mother. The other child attends The Towers. We will make contact with that School in May.
- We received a report of ASB concerning a site where animals are kept. We spoke with the owner and arrangements are being made with the landlord to update the site.
- We corrected a person that knowingly used incorrect language when describing Travellers. Hateful language will not be accepted. We adopt an educational approach but will make reports if individuals continue to use inappropriate language.

UPDATES FROM MARCH

- The graffiti that was reported at the bus stop and rubbish bin by the junction of Bramber Road/Bostal Road has been cleared.
- Older youths knocking on doors and running away in Charlton Street were identified. They attend the Boarding School. The School have been spoken to, who in turn have spoken to the older people involved in this behaviour. They denied doing this.
- The older person who was loitering around Steyning Grammar School last month has not been seen since.

Parking/vehicles

Steyning:

- We received a complaint about a van parked irresponsibly at the junction of Canon's Way and Bowmans Close. The van is taxed but has no MOT. The vehicle is not breaking any parking restrictions as such but could make it difficult for other road users to see around it. We have contacted Tracy (PCSO) to obtain van owners details. Hopefully, we can then look at asking the owner to move the van slightly. We have placed a parking alert on the van and hope this will be enough. **Update: We spoke to the registered keeper's wife due to the van having not been moved. The vehicle has now been moved to a better location.**
- We moved on a delivery driver in his van who had parked on zigzag lines along Steyning high Street.
- We spent some time in the High Street with one of the Civil Enforcement Officers from Horsham District Council. We advised many drivers about parking in unauthorised areas. A complaint we heard a lot was where else can we park. We gave them directions to the car parks and explained how close they are to the High Street. Most motorists were grateful for the information.
- Car parked on the pavement in St. Cuthmans Road. Parking alert left on windscreen. **Update: Car registered to a lease company. Contact made with them. Vehicle has since been moved.**

Bramber: Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding:

- We received a complaint of a vehicle driving irresponsibly in Fletchers Croft car park. With the help of our PCSO, we now have the drivers' details. We paid him a visit (Upper Beeding) but unfortunately no one was at home. We will try again.
- We have patrolled Upper Beeding Primary School in the mornings and afternoons due to irresponsible parking by parents dropping off/picking up their children. We issued five parking alert notices on vehicles and tried to explain to parents the importance of not parking on double yellow lines and zigzags.

Fly tipping/littering/graffiti.

Steypning:

- Graffiti found on junction Box in Hills Road at the junction of Newham Lane. Fortunately, a kind resident sprayed the box for us.



Bramber: Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding: Nothing to report.

Community engagement/events/meetings

- We attended an Active Bystander Awareness Training session with a focus on hate crimes. This was an insightful session and encouraged us to think of different ways to tackle hate crimes to intervene.
- We attended a training session on Safeguarding Neurodivergent People from Extremism.

Steypning

- We attended the Steypning Farmers Market this month. We met with lots of stall holders and residents. Everybody were in good spirits. We also met with two of our Councillors whilst at the market.
- We held our monthly drop-in session at Steypning Leisure Centre. We are meeting many of the residents from SBUB. Residents are coming down to specifically talk to us about issues in their area. We will continue to run this session for the foreseeable future.
- We attended the Steypning Downland Schemes Egg Rollation on the 4th April. We met with the organisers to assist with setting up the course in preparation for the Rollation. We returned prior to the start of the competition to carry out marshalling duties and to be present for all the parents and children. It was a great day, well organised by the Steypning Downland Scheme. Lots of fun was had by everyone. The parents were the most competitive! See pictures.



- We held the monthly board game café at Penfold Hall.
- We held a social club at Dingemans to engage with the residents.
- We have met up with Gary from the Steyning Parish Church to get a date fixed for the new Dungeons & Dragons club that we want to start together. We have set a start date for June. Watch this space!

Bramber: Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding

- We have hosted our drop-in sessions four times at the Hub, Upper Beeding this month. Our PCSO joined us on one occasion. We are able to engage with the local community who we have built up a lot of trust with. This is always a popular session, well attended and we believe appreciated by the community. We have been invited to the memorial by the family of a gentleman who passed away recently. We will show our respects next week.
- We were again invited to the Good Grief Café, Penfold Hall, Upper Steyning. This is an event set up to assist and provide comfort to anyone going through grief or who are lonely, looking for friendship. We engaged with many residents there, explaining our role and what we can do. It's a great opportunity to inform residents of Activities/Clubs that they can come along too.
- In partnership with St. Peters Church, we held the new board game café at the Churchside Café, fifteen people attended which was a fantastic turn out. This was the second time the café has been run in this location. The boardgame café will be held here on the 3rd Thursday of the month between 4pm and 8pm.
- We were invited to attend the memorial of one of our residents who sadly passed away a few weeks ago. We got the chance to meet this person's family and check up on our residents. This gentleman passed away suddenly, it has a huge impact on them all.

Patrols (foot/visible and car)

Steyning

High Street
 Bus Shelter
 MPF
 Fletchers Croft
 Schools
 Mouse Lane

Bramber

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

Upper Beeding

Smugglers Lane
Playing field
Small Dole skate park
Beeding Hill/Truleigh Hill
Adur Valley Court
After school patrols

Older, vulnerable people and youth

Steining:

- We met up with a couple at our drop-in session at Steining Leisure Centre that we knew. They enjoy getting out as often as possible as the gentleman has limited mobility and uses a wheelchair. We had a good catch up and advised them of places to go where access isn't an issue. We hope to meet up with them soon.
- We joined the PCSO to visit a vulnerable person at their home.
- We have arranged a trip out to a local garden centre again using the minibus. We are asking the most isolated group of people who otherwise would not be able to get out for a trip like this. This will take place on the 8th May.
- We heard about a large gathering of youths that were planning to meet up by the Rifle Range/Flint Barn. We spoke to most of them. We gave advice on what we expect from them E.G: No fires, no alcohol and to take any rubbish with them when they left. They were well behaved, polite, and hopefully our engagement with them will go some way in them showing respect to the local landscape. We followed this up the next day. The grounds were clean and tidy.
- We visited the older age group youth club. Good to catch up with Nicki. Played some Pool and engaged with the young people.
- We popped into Dingemans Court. One of the residents had a nasty fall this month so we wanted to check in on her. She is on the mend.
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Bramber:

- The Steining Parish administrator received a call from Liz Trundle (Bramber Clerk) of a vulnerable person screaming in Clay Fields. We made our way there and searched the area. We did see someone, who we believed was a Police Officer running through the fields. We met up with the Father of the distressed woman who the call was about. We have had the same call before so knew her condition. This young lady suffers with Autism and Post traumatic stress disorder. She goes to t Clay Fields to "Let off Steam." Unfortunately, her condition worsened and was being detained by the Police near Bramber Castle. They were concerned she was a danger to herself E.G: Running in the road and becoming quite aggressive. This is sadly due to her condition. We spoke to her Father and have offered to meet up his daughter on a good day, so she is aware who we are, that we are friendly and can be supportive should this ever happen again. An ambulance turned up and eventually took this young lady to Hospital. We have spoken to both parents now; they are away on holiday but want us to meet with them when they are back.

Upper Beeding: Nothing to report.

Dog related issues.

Nothing to report.

Cycling

Nothing to report.

Parish specific/other

Steyning:

- We received a complaint from a resident who was reporting roadworks that were being carried out along the path adjacent to Steyning Football Club. He claimed the contractor working on the footpath had put one of their machines on the grass opposite the School, which could cause damage. He also reported that two concrete bollards had been removed. We spoke to the Foreman (Conways) who said they had not removed the bollards but as they were on the grass area, they would put them back once the work was completed. There were no public safety issues that we could find. Conways are working on behalf of West Sussex County Council. We will check the area next week, as they are hoping to be finished then. The complainant has been updated and thanked us for our quick response. **Update: The land has been cleared and is back to normal.**
- We are currently working on a project with Saxon Weald and the ASB team from Horsham District Council. Due to a couple of incidents that have taken place in St. Cuthmans Road over the past year, E:G: Neighbour disputes, fly tipping. The above groups are trying to find ways to improve the area and ask residents what they would like to see in their community. We put together a questionnaire and hand delivered this to all residents' properties. We will follow up with the ASB team and Saxon Weald in due course.
- We were invited along to a meeting arranged by Saxon Weald to discuss Anti-social behaviour concerns involving a family in Steyning. We were joined by our PCSO. We are looking to investigate and carry out evidence gathering between us all. This will be a time-consuming process and quite lengthy, but it will be beneficial to the larger community in the long run.
- We received a complaint from a resident who lives in Upper Beeding. He claims that part of his rear fence is being damaged intentionally, by a neighbour. We visited the location but could not see any damage to the fence. We will liaise with the complainant to try and get more details.

Bramber: Nothing to report.

Upper Beeding: Nothing to report.

You can now reach us the following ways:

Alison Page: 07734 387889 (mobile)

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How/where to report:

Litter issues can be reported to HDC:

You can report a damaged or overflowing litter **bin**:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/report-a-damaged-or-overflowing-litter-bin>

If you witness **fly tipping in action**, please call Sussex Police and, if possible, provide them with the registration of the offending vehicle and subsequently any relevant dashcam footage you may have.

You can also report any fly-tipping you find to HDC at: <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning/fly-tipping>

Graffiti can be reported directly to Horsham District Council via their website: <https://www.horsham.gov.uk/waste-recycling-and-bins/litter-and-street-cleaning>

Dog related incidents:

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/report/dog-attacks>

Stray Dogs can be reported to the HDC contractor on **07512 089777** but they must already be contained.

<https://www.horsham.gov.uk/environmental-health/stray-dogs>

