



MONTHLY REPORT
SEDLSCOMBE & EWHURST WARD & BODIAM
FEBRUARY 2010

SEDLSCOMBE

19th February - two low loader lorries were broken into and £5000 of vehicle parts was stolen. A suspicious vehicle was seen around that area at the time and enquiries are being made into this. The investigation is ongoing.

MEET AND GREET - SEDLSCOMBE

Demi and Karen will be at the Queens Head in Sedlescombe on the Friday 26th March 2010 at 1000hrs – come along and speak to them about any concerns you may have. . Please come along and say ‘Hello’. Let us know about any issues which are affecting you and the local community

EWHURST GREEN

No crimes have been recorded for this period.

STAPLECROSS & CRIPPS CORNER

5th February – report of an attempted burglary in a non-dwelling, unfortunately no lines of enquiry or forensic information left at scene incident has now been closed.

BODIAM

16th February - report of theft of lead, unfortunately no lines of enquiry and the investigation has been finalised.

16th February - report of a trail motorbike stolen from a shed – the time frame was between 8th and 16th Feb. Enquiries remain ongoing at the current time.

17th February - report of a theft of a caravan, investigation is ongoing at the current time.

MEET AND GREET - BODIAM

On Friday 26th March 2010 at 1500hrs Karen and Demi will be in Levetts Lane, Bodiam for a meet and greet. Please come along and say 'Hello'.

Let us know about any issues which are affecting you and the local community.

And on a good note, with weather as it is and the risk of flooding within the village, If you go to Rother Council office at Market Square Battle you will be allocated 12 empty sand bags free of charge, maybe you and some of your neighbours can pitch together and buy the sand, if you want more than 12 then there will be a charge, but please take up this offer its free and can help keep the water from your door.

There is a Tack Marking day on the 7th March at the Netherfield Village Hall between 1000hrs and 1400hrs. This is going to be specifically aimed at tack marking for horse owners, however feel free to attend if you would like to discuss any other issues you may have. Please come along and say 'Hello'. Let us know about any issues which are affecting you and the local community.

RECENT GOOD RESULTS FOR THE AREA

- A vehicle linked to previous burglary out of the county was stopped in the local area and 3 males were arrested on suspicion of going equipped and are currently under investigation.
- A fly tipper was caught in Catsfield, due to the vigilance of locals. He pleaded guilty at Court and he was fined £320 with £85 costs. An excellent result showing that reporting this type of incident does pay – but not for the person tipping. Keep up the good work.
- A driver was stopped in the Dallington area and was subsequently arrested for driving whilst under the influence of alcohol and without a valid driving licence. If you suspect a vehicle is being driven by a person over the limit please report it to us you may save a life!

LOCAL PRIORITIES - SEDLESCOMBE

These were the priorities set at the last Panel Meeting:

Priority 1

What you said: Speeding through the village.

What we did: Speed checks are continuing in the area by your local PCSO and PC.

What happened: We are continuing to send out warning letters and give out fixed penalty tickets where appropriate.

Priority 2

What you said: Anti social behaviour.

What we did: This continues to be monitored and have had no reports this month.

What happened : We are continuing our patrols in the area and monitoring any issues that arise.

Priority 3

What you said: Parking around the school.

What we did: A letter has been given to the school to be passed onto parents giving advice in relation to parking and what will happen if parked illegally.

What happened: Patrols are ongoing around all the schools.

LOCAL PRIORITIES - EWHURST GREEN

Priority 1

What you said: Speeding through the village.

What we did: Regular speed checks continue to be undertaken at various times of the day.

What happened: Warning letters and tickets have been issued.

Priority 2

What you said : Parking around the school.

What we did:. A letter has been given to the school to be passed onto parents giving advice in relation to parking and what will happen if parked illegally.

What happened: Patrols are ongoing around all the schools.

LOCAL PRIORITIES - BODIAM

These local priorities were set up at the last Panel Meeting for Robertsbridge and Salehurst. Bodiam did not communicate any issues at this meeting. If you do have any issues please contact me or Demi and we can organise a meeting.

Priority 1

What you said: There were worries about the speeding vehicles through the villages.

What we did: Speed checks are being carried out on a regular basis to try and make the public more aware of speeding and its inherent dangers. This is ongoing. If you are aware of a regular speeding offender in your area please contact Op Crackdown on www.operationcrackdown.org or telephone Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999.

What happened: More motorists have been stopped speeding and given tickets.

Priority 2

What you said: There were worries about anti-social behaviour (Robertsbridge).

What we did: There has been a higher visibility of the PCSOs on foot in the village together with the added assistance of myself.

What happened: Higher visibility has meant that reassurance has been given to the public and anti-social behaviour is being tackled. There has been a reduction in the reports of anti-social behaviour.

Priority 3

What you said : Parking around the school.

What we did: A letter has been given to the school to be passed onto parents giving advice in relation to parking and what will happen if parked illegally.

What happened: Patrols are ongoing around all the schools.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Please contact us if you wish to be involved in this – we have recently had a meeting with a whole street which residents attended, crime prevention officer and the Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator for ROTHER. The meeting was very successful and this street are now working together as a community, Crime Prevention information has been given and the Co-ordinator is assisting the residents with the set up of their committee. Please contact myself or Demi if you are interested and if there are a number of residents we can arrange a street meeting and give advice on the above.

OPERATION DANEGATE

Police have been carrying out a special operation on the Rother District involving extra high visibility patrols in the evenings/nights. This has been a great success in reducing crime whilst offering a visible presence police to the community.

OPERATION VORTEX

Operation Vortex has come to the Rother District. This is a high visibility operation which will be located at different areas of the district. It involves carrying checks on vehicles being driven in Rother for offences such as no insurance, no MOT, condition of vehicle etc.

BE AWARE, IF YOUR VEHICLE IS NOT INSURED IT MAY BE SEIZED!

OPERATION CRACKDOWN

Help us crack down on abandoned vehicles and anti-social driving.

Sussex Police are leading a pioneering partnership which employs the latest technology to provide an easy to use facility for Sussex residents to report abandoned vehicles or an act of anti-social driving.



Operation Crackdown is a multi-agency facility with two key aims:

- Reducing the amount of time vehicles remain abandoned (saving significant costs in the process).
- Targeting persistent bad drivers before they cause an accident.

We know there are problems in parts of Sussex. With your help we can tackle the inconsiderate people who continue to drive in an anti-social manner or abandon their end-of-life vehicles.

You can tell us about any abandoned vehicle or anti-social driving you've witnessed using the [Operation Crackdown](#) website.

What exactly constitutes anti-social driving?

There is no strict definition. However typical examples of anti-social driving might include speeding, thoughtless or reckless driving, under-age driving, drink driving, tailgating, using a mobile phone whilst driving, driving a vehicle which looks to be in an unsafe condition.

What should I do if I see an abandoned vehicle or someone driving in an anti-social manner?

- Pull over safely at the side of the road or ask a passenger to write down details.
- Note the vehicle's make, model, colour and number plate (which will help with police enquiries).
- When noting the location, use house numbers and road names to pinpoint where the incident happened or where you spotted a potential abandoned vehicle.
- Write a brief description of what you witnessed, while it is still fresh in your mind.
- If it's an abandoned vehicle, if possible take a digital picture of it.



When you get to work or home, visit the [Operation Crackdown](#) website to record your information. It only takes a few minutes!

Your information will be analysed and appropriate action will be taken, if necessary, by Sussex Police.

Remember

Do not attempt to write anything down whilst driving. Don't add to the problem!

Submit a report

Please go to the Sussex Police website where you will find a link to record any information.

<http://www.operationcrackdown.org/>

If you can help with any information regarding any of the above crimes please phone Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999 extension 26447.

Crimestoppers : 0800 555 111 open 24/7

<http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/>

Thank you

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