

Monthly Report for Steyning Parish Council
March 2014

Anti-Social Behaviour

Following last months report we have encountered further problems with a group of youths, mainly at fletchers croft and occasionally the memorial playing field. Ourselves and the Police have been involved with this group again on several occasions.

The group is made up of a range of ages varying from about 14-25 years, some of whom are coming here from out of the area. On Saturday the 22nd we confiscated two bottles of vodka and dispersed a large group of under age and intoxicated youths from fletchers croft.

There are also several cars involved in general nuisance, but we suspect one of these to be supplying alcohol to the younger ones. Details of this vehicle have been passed onto the police.

On Friday the 28th we witnessed an incident of extremely dangerous driving in Newham Lane, statements have been sent and the police are now dealing with this incident. The driver is known to us and is part of the group that we've been dealing with. We are hopeful this may result in a section 59 being issued, or further action on the grounds of dangerous driving. This incident occurred after yet another incident involving the group down in Upper Beeding, which ourselves and the police were heavily involved in.

We held a meeting with the Anti Social Behaviour team and the local Neighbourhood Policing Team, to determine what initial actions are to be carried out in dealing with several of the individuals from this group. This will be updated upon in next months report.

Community

We held an assembly at Steyning Primary School regarding littering and impacts on the environment. This was well received and delivered in a way that the children could interact and give some input.

We organised a trip to the theatre in Horsham for some of the residents at dingemans and continue to be involved with the vintage years club. We also attended and supported a trip with the youth club run by Emma Edwards.