

## **Steyning Parish Council**

### **Neighbourhood Wardens Report April 2015**

#### Anti-Social Behaviour and Crime

Following reports of suspected Cannabis use in the playpark at South Ash we have stepped up our patrols in the area and have parked and monitored the area on a daily basis. We have received no further reports but will continue to include this area in our patrol of local hotspots.

We have been informed by a resident of Reeds Walk that a young man known to us is dealing drugs at the back of Dingemans at the Toomey Rd end. We will step up our patrols and presence in the area and have passed this information onto the Police.

We have received numerous reports from residents regarding a moped being driven recklessly across all three parishes. The vehicle and rider are known to us and we have reported a particular incident where the rider rode the vehicle while holding both his hands in the air. We have spoken to the rider about the incident and another where he was seen riding across the recreation ground in Upper Beeding. He firmly denies both incidents. We have alerted the Neighbourhood Police Team and details have been given to Traffic Police.

We have received a report from a resident that he came across laughing gas canisters in the Rifle Range area. We have passed the information onto officials of the Steyning Downland scheme.

We assisted police in accessing The Steyning Downland Rifle Range area when a cyclist had fallen and injured himself while riding his mountain bike. Paramedics suspected that he may have injured his spine and a Helicopter was called and the cyclist was airlifted to Hospital where his injuries were diagnosed as not being serious.

We assisted police in returning an elderly gentleman to his home after he had become disorientated and lost. We recognised him as a frequent visitor to Dingemans and were able to obtain details of his address in Steyning.

Horsham Police are warning motorists to be vigilant following a recent spate of people being conned into giving money for petrol by pretending to be drivers in need. Incidents have taken place in Cowfold and Henfield. The suspect is described as being smartly dressed in a grey suit, possibly of Eastern European origin, in his late thirties to early forties with very short black hair and was a passenger in a green hatchback car. If you have any information concerning this please call the Police on 101 quoting serial 764 of 27/4.

Between 6.15pm on Friday 24 April and 8.30am on Sat 25 April a Peugeot 206 parked in Castle Lane was broken into. The suspect is believed to have used an instrument to remove the nearside lock. A silver ring was stolen from the Ashtray.

We would like to encourage residents not to leave valuables on display in their vehicles.

Sometime between the evening of Friday 24 April and the morning of Saturday 25 April a garden shed was broken into in De Braose Way. The padlock and bolt were forced off by the offender.

An attempted burglary took place in Market Field sometime between 10.30pm on Saturday 25 April and 9.30am on Sunday 26 April. The front door was forced but the chain on the door prevented the offender from gaining entry.

### Community

Nothing to report.