

Monthly Councillor Briefing

February 2021

The month of February has shown an increase of ASB within the parish area specially towards the end of February beginning of March with the nicer warmer weather making an appearance. The Following incidents have been reported to the ACSO Service.

- 1, ASB has continued up at the pond at Beechwood Way with the lifebuoy's constantly being thrown in to the pond and teenagers making a nuisance of themselves, the police are aware and they are patrolling this area more frequently.
- 2, There have been reports of children playing tennis at the tennis courts at Noads way / Haynes way play area, the ACSO team will attend this area more often to advise any people playing tennis of the current covid rules.
- 3, There have been reports of two young teenagers riding motorbikes around Dibden Purlieu on the pavements and along Roman Road between Applemore school and Beechwood pond area without helmets and no lights, this has been happening around 2100 hours in the evening, Waterside neighbourhood policing team have been informed of this and again they will step up patrols in this area.
- 4, Groups of young teenagers are again cycling along the roads in North Road, Oak Road and beaulieu Road area pulling wheelies in front of oncoming traffic, the ACSO team attempted to speak to those concerned but they ignored our advice became verbally abusive and rode off police have been made aware.
- 5, Reports of teenager carrying out wheelies on bikes and being abusive and threatening towards members of the public and Waitrose staff in Hythe pedestrianised area. Police have been made aware.
6. Youths have been riding Trials bikes without lights and helmets along Jones way and onto Ewart rec and across Noads way play area this is becoming a more frequent activity within recent weeks, not sure if it is the same offenders in para 3. Reported to the police.
7. It was reported to the ACSO service that a number of vans have been broken into on lpley way, the ACSO service encouraged those reporting it to phone the 101 service and report it to the police.
8. Reports of a car that has had a window broken in the Oak Road car park. Police have been made aware.
9. The Head of Wildgrounds infant school has raised concerns regarding parking and traffic congestion outside the school by parents. The ACSO's will attend a few mornings to speak with parents about the parking.

Summary

With the warmer weather upon us Hythe village saw an increase in people and families out and enjoying the sun, although there were no complaints of ASB in the village over the last weekend in February there was very little social distancing being carried out.

Now that the warmer weather is approaching the Waterside policing team has asked the ACSO service to be more vigilant regarding teenagers misbehaving in the village and surrounding area especially regarding cycling offences. There has been an increase in ASB regarding youths and bikes with an increase of threats of violence towards people challenging them. The good weather along with slight easing of restrictions has seen an increase in ASB across our area by young people the ACSO service will work tirelessly with other agencies in an attempt to de-escalate and disrupt such behaviour.