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Community Warden City Council report for Chichester East & South

November 2022

There has been a slight increase in Fly tipping in particular construction/home improvement materials.

We have litter picked several areas around Swanfield Park and the Whyke Estate areas several times

Graffiti continues to be a problem. Suspected drug or racist/hate graffiti were found and cleaned off quickly and our suspicions reported.

Arundel Park: We have received a report that the main drug dealer has had a run in with an Albanian Gang and has relinquished either his patch or has been encouraged to change his supplier.

The Charles Avenue Hub Community Engagement project continues. There has been a lack of take up by the residents despite Facebook posts, leaflets and posters being distributed within the community. Residents continue to complain on open forums rather than report their issues through the available channels.

The Pantry (UK Harvest) has held its third Foodbank at the Hub.

We were flagged down in our van and received a report of a vulnerable person with dementia missing for four hours. She was his support worker, we strongly advised her to call the Police and spent a long time looking for him. He was found a bit confused but ok

ASB is ongoing. With a large group of around 20 young people causing ASB across Chichester East and Whyke. It is alleged one of the main ring leaders is noted below.

We received a report of vandalism to the Queens Jubilee Park. Whilst attending we saw a person in a locked Childs Play area. As we approached, he aimed an assault rifle at us. Without thinking we shouted him down and confronted the gunman. He was then accompanied by another young person also with a rifle, which he was discharging. We ascertained the rifles were airsoft/BB rifles. The gun that was pointed at us was all black and is classed as

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an imitation firearm. Which when pointed at you would make you fearful of serious harm. We have provided their full details and we have both provided photo evidence and statements to the Police.

More incidents of suspected drug taking and drug dealing as well as suspected prostitution have been reported to us in Florence Park. We have witnessed some suspicious activity ourselves and provided the Police with photos. As a result, we have managed to identify the main drug dealer at Florence Park. We will continue to monitor.

Whyke The event on the Whyke Oval went quite well, lots of residents came out to chat and raise any concerns and report things that they found it easier to report face to face. The youngsters from the area also came to join in with the activities. There were also local people offering to help the community in any way they could. A very positive event. And it may lead to a new residents association for the area.

General patrols continue as always

Thank you for your continuing support.

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