

## Warbleton Parish Meeting

September/October 2023

03/09/2023 A report of youths smoking cannabis on the village green, Rushlake Green.

18/09/2023 Hammer Lane, a report of a suspicious male in a white van, wrong index given.

04/10/2023 Rookery Lane, a report of a passenger with a catapult attempting to shoot a pheasant. Index given and information passed to the rural crime team.

### Hate crime awareness week.

Officers have been out and about this week talking to communities about Hate crime.

This year's Hate Crime Awareness week aims to actively encourage people to report hate crimes and incidents to us.

When someone is treated with hate just for who they are, we want them to know they can trust us to take their report seriously and act accordingly. When a victim of hate has the courage to report it to us, we must respond in a way that justifies their faith in the police and builds confidence amongst their communities.

This year's campaign is victim-focused and will build on last year's Hate Crime Awareness Week activity. This is so we can continue to increase all communities' awareness of what hate crime is in the most appropriate way which will give people the confidence and knowledge to identify when a hate crime is happening and report it. We also need to highlight the different methods of reporting and acknowledge the fact that victims may not always want to talk directly to the police.

It is vital that we respond to reports with consistent empathy and support that makes all victims of hate glad they contacted us and willing to do so again. Any crime motivated by prejudice is absolutely unacceptable and we need all communities to feel secure that if they report a hate crime, we will ensure a robust approach, so that perpetrators are properly dealt with.

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