

***Welcome to your April Central South Portslade update brought to you  
directly from your Ward PCSO Corriene Lynfield 43268***

*Hello all, hope you had a good March.*



The key issues of the ward I am aware of now in the area are:

- Shoplifting taking place at some stores on Boundary Road as well as the supermarkets in the area.
- Anti-social behaviour involving youths on E-Eletric bikes

### **Road traffic offenses**

To resolve these issues, I will be conducting high visibility patrols in the area. I would also like to work with the residents and businesses in the community to offer support to address these issues. If any of these are seen, report to Sussex Police through 999 or 101/Sussex Police website.

### **Crime statistics**

The new crime statistics for Central Hove are available on Sussex police Website - [South Portslade | Your area | Sussex Police | Sussex Police](#)

## **Personal Security**

There have been a few instances where young people have been causing issues within the area. This is unacceptable and will need all of us to help stop it. If you see a group of young people causing ASB, causing upset or speaking in manner which constitutes a public order offence then report to 999 or 101. This is the same for if there are any weapons or drugs that are seen.

## **Electric Bikes**

[Riding an electric bike: the rules - GOV.UK](#) - You can ride an electric bike if you're 14 or over, if it is an "electrically assisted pedal cycle. (EAPC)

### **Your EAPC bike should be marked with the following:**

The continuous rated power output

The bike manufacturer

### **It must also show either:**

The battery's voltage

The maximum speed the motor can propel the bike

### **Cannot ride it on the pavement.**

Your bike is not an EAPC if the following apply:

It can be propelled at more than 15.5 miles per hour(mph) by the motor

Has a continuous rated power output higher than 250 watts

Does not have pedals that can propel it

If your bike is not an EAPC – it must be [registered and taxed](#)

### **You need to:**

[get a valid driving licence to ride one](#)

Wear a [motorcycle helmet that meets British safety standards](#)

[insure your vehicle](#)

**If your bike is classed as a motorcycle or moped but has not been insured, you may get a fine or your bike may be seized by the police.**

### **Driving safely**

There has been an increase on the use of mobile phones being used whilst operating a motor vehicle. This includes cars, vans, bikes and anything else that moves under its own power. It's dangerous as well as could land you 6 driving points on your license and £200 fine. I ask that you wait until you have pulled over to use your phone as it takes away your concentration and could lead to an accident.

There has been an increase of individuals riding pushbikes (and electric ones) on the pavement in central Hove. This is illegal and can lead to a £50 fine each time you do it. It is contrary to S.36 of the Road Traffic Act 1988.

### **Ward patrols and dedicated days:**

I will be out in the community and conducting regular patrols around the area. With that in mind, if you want to get in touch, please do contact me via the Sussex Police website contact form using **my collar number 43268** and I will get in touch to discuss any issues.

I will be conducting dedicated ward days this month where I will be walking around South Portslade speaking to local businesses and conducting high visibility patrols in troubled areas.

Say Hi if you see me about. Always happy to have a chat.

Take care and finally enjoy the warmer weather.

Corriene