

Central Hove Ward Update – September

Brought to you by your Ward PCSO, Harry Markey (42583)

Hello everyone,




Welcome to your September update for Central Hove.

Here's a quick overview of the key issues currently affecting the ward:

Key Issues in Central Hove:

- **Shoplifting:** Ongoing incidents reported on George Street and in local supermarkets.
- **Burglaries:** A number of recent residential break-ins across the ward.
- **Anti-Social Behaviour (ASB) & Drug Activity:** Reports of ASB and suspected drug dealing, particularly around Third Avenue.

If you witness any of the above, please report it to Sussex Police via:

-  **999** – if it's happening now or someone is in immediate danger
-  **101** or  the Sussex Police website – for non-emergencies or after-the-fact reports

Crime Statistics:


Updated crime figures for Central Hove are available here:

 [Home](#) | [Sussex Police](#)

Personal Safety & Crime Prevention


Shoplifting

Please remain vigilant. If you witness someone shoplifting, inform store staff and report it to the police.

 Shoplifting is a criminal offence and can result in fines, community orders, or imprisonment – with penalties depending on the value and circumstances.

Drug Activity

If you see someone using, exchanging, or selling drugs or related items, please let us know.

 For drug dealing in progress, call **999**.

Every report helps us act and keep Central Hove safe for everyone.

Burglaries

Sadly, there have been several recent break-ins. Here are a few simple ways to help protect your property:

- Always lock doors and windows when leaving your home
- Consider installing CCTV or video doorbells
- Display signs like "Smile – You're on CCTV" as a deterrent
- Use timer switches on lights to give the appearance that someone's home

More home security advice:

 [Protecting your home from crime](#) | [Crime prevention](#) | [Sussex Police](#)

A Personal Note:

This will be my final monthly update as I'll be leaving my role at the end of September to begin training as a Police Constable. It's been an absolute pleasure serving the Central Hove community — thank you for all your conversations, support, and local insights over the past months.

Going forward, my colleague PCSO Emily will be taking over the ward. I know she'll do a fantastic job and be a great presence in the area.

Take care, enjoy the start of autumn (and the rain 🌧️), and as always — stay safe.

Best wishes,

PCSO Harry Markey 42583

Neighbourhood Policing Team – Central Hove