



# South Portslade Monthly Ward Update – September 2025

Brought to you by PCSO Corriene Lynfield (43268)



## Introduction

Hello everyone,

I'm Corriene, your local PCSO for South Portslade, and I'm pleased to say I'm now back out in the community and enjoying being on patrol again.

Thank you for your continued support — it's great to be reconnecting with residents and getting stuck back into ward policing.



## Current Ward Priorities

We're continuing to focus on the following areas:

- 🚔 **Increased patrols** in hotspot areas of South Portslade
- 🗣️ **More community engagement** — I'm always happy to chat if you see me out and about
- 🤝 **Partnership working** with local services and agencies to address local issues

## Ward Patrols

You'll regularly see me patrolling around South Portslade. If you do, please feel free to stop me for a chat — I'm here to listen, provide reassurance, and help where I can.

## Monthly Drop-in Meetings

I'm excited to announce that I've booked a space at **Portslade Library** for regular monthly drop-ins. These informal sessions are a chance to speak face-to-face about any local concerns, ask questions, or just say hello.

### Location:

Portslade Library, Old Shoreham Road, BN41 1XR

### Upcoming Dates & Times:

- **Wednesday 17th September 2025** – 14:00–15:00
- **Tuesday 18th November 2025** – 14:00–15:00
- **Tuesday 16th December 2025** – 14:00–15:00

I hope to see many of you there!


If you'd like police attendance at a community meeting, please call **101** and quote my shoulder number **43268**, and I'll do my best to arrange for someone to attend.

## Cost of Living & Energy Support – How to Get Help

We understand this time of year can be difficult, especially for those struggling with rising costs. Below is a roundup of local and national support available to help you stay warm and well this winter:

### Winter Fuel & Energy Support

- Heating your home to **at least 18°C** is vital, particularly if you are over 65, have reduced mobility, or a long-term health condition.
- You may be eligible for **Winter Fuel Payments, grants, or discounts** through government schemes.

 Visit Help for Households for more on:

- Energy bill support
- Cost-saving tips
- Help with food and essentials

### **Brighton & Hove Local Help**

You may be eligible for additional support through:

- **Local Discretionary Social Fund**
- **Disabled Facilities Grants**
- **Better Housing Better Health (BHBH)** – for home energy efficiency upgrades and essentials (like electric blankets)
- **LEAP (Local Energy Advice Partnership)** – offers **free home visits**, energy-saving kits, and confidential **money and benefits advice**




#### **LEAP Contact Info:**

 Call: **0800 060 7567**

 Visit: [applyforleap.org.uk](https://applyforleap.org.uk)

### **Reporting Crime or Concerns**

If you see or experience something in your neighbourhood that doesn't feel right:

-  **Call 101** for non-emergencies
-  **Report online** at [www.sussex.police.uk](https://www.sussex.police.uk)
-  In an emergency, always call **999**

You can also quote:

- **PCSO Corriene Lynfield – 43268**

Thanks again for reading this update. Let's keep working together to make South Portslade a safe and welcoming place to live.

**Take care,**  
**PCSO Corriene Lynfield**

