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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to address the recent incidents that have occurred in Horsham Park involving a number of robberies and knife related incidents. Some of the victims have been students at local schools and these events have understandably caused distress to those affected and raised concerns within our community.

To support our students during this time, the Local Schools Officers, alongside key members of the Horsham Neighbourhood Policing Team, have been visiting local schools to offer guidance and reassurance. This initiative will continue over the coming weeks to ensure that all students impacted receive the necessary support.

We have also increased police patrols in Horsham Park and the surrounding areas, leading to several arrests. These investigations are ongoing, and we are committed to keeping our community informed.

Our collaboration with West Sussex County Council and Horsham District Council remains strong as we work towards a coordinated approach to reduce crime and anti-social behaviour. Together we have conducted an environmental safety audit to identify improvements that can enhance safety within the park.

Horsham remains a safe place, and we are dedicated to ensuring that you and your family feel secure in our town. We take the rise in incidents very seriously, and you can expect a visible police presence both day and night, continuing at least until Christmas, after which I will reassess the situation.

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If you have any concerns, we encourage you to speak directly with the officers present or to contact 101. In the case of an emergency, please always call 999. Additionally, if you have any information regarding the incidents, we urge you to report it to Sussex Police, quoting Operation Horncastle.

Thank you for your ongoing support and cooperation.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'James Davidson'.

James Davidson

Chief Inspector

District Commander – Adur, Worthing & Horsham