

Community Speedwatch can only operate in areas subject to a speed limit no greater than 40mph.

Each Speedwatch scheme will need to identify a volunteer who will be trained to check the vehicle details on the Police National Computer.

Letters will then be sent to offenders by the Thames Valley Police.

The first letter is a warning letter.
The second is a stronger letter.
Further detected speeding will result in enforcement by the Police.

For more information about starting a scheme please contact your local Neighbourhood Police Officer via the Thames Valley Police call centre number 08458 505505 or Buckinghamshire County Council Highways on Call on 0845 2302882.

www.buckscc.gov.uk/road_safety

www.thamesvalley.police.uk

www.saferroads.org



REDUCE SPEEDING



COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH



Vehicles being driven too fast are a major factor in preventing people from enjoying the environment they have chosen to live in.

Excess vehicle speed also contributes to the severity of any road traffic collision and has an impact on the lives of people within a community.

What is Community Speedwatch?

Community Speedwatch is a traffic monitoring scheme that is co-ordinated by the Police and Buckinghamshire County Council but managed and run by volunteers in a community.

The volunteers are trained to use a detection device to monitor the speeds of vehicles travelling through their local area.

The registration number of speeding vehicles is recorded.

Warning letters are then sent out by the Police to the registered keepers stating that their vehicle has been reported as speeding. Locations for monitoring speed are selected from sites suggested by the community, based on where there is most local concern about speeding traffic, or the impact of speed.

Sites will be risk assessed for suitability by a trained Neighbourhood Police Officer or a Police Community Support Officer.

Ideally a minimum of six volunteers are needed to set up a scheme. They must be over the age of 18.

Volunteers will be given training in the use of the Speed Detection Radar equipment and how to record the required data.

Volunteers will be issued with high visibility jackets and roadside mobile signs, which must be displayed to notify motorists that they are entering a Community Speedwatch area.

The approximate cost of setting up the scheme is £1995. Parish Councils may wish to join together to run a Speedwatch scheme to reduce costs.

Equipment consists of the Speed Detection Radar, electronic recording device, tripod, high visibility jackets and roadside mobile Speedwatch signs.

Confirmation of £5 million public liability insurance for roadside working by volunteers must be included on the Parish Councils insurance cover.