

## **Local residents wanted...**

### **Could you help support your local community in reducing speeding?**

Community Speed Watch is run by local communities and funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Wiltshire and Swindon, supported by Wiltshire Police, Wiltshire Council and Swindon Borough Council. It gives residents a chance to help combat speeding in their local area.

Community Speed Watch is a scheme that relies on volunteers to help deliver the purpose of 'driving down speed, driving up safety' in local communities. The volunteers do a fantastic job and our teams are growing in numbers with 118 current schemes across Wiltshire and Swindon.

The main ethos of Community Speed Watch is to educate drivers of the dangers of speeding and the impact it has on local communities.

Below is more information on the requirements of volunteers:

- Must be 18 years or older
- Will be subject to a police security check
- Only operate at locations which have been approved by Wiltshire Police and risk assessed
- CSW speed checks only take place between 7am and 8pm during daylight hours (dependent on season)
- CSW teams will always be in pairs and will be highly visible in hi-viz jackets.

Volunteers carry out roadside checks on the speed of vehicles using a speed detection device and record the vehicle registration number of those exceeding the speed limit. This information is submitted; Wiltshire Police staff then access the Police National Computer to check the information provided.

The owners of the vehicles are then sent warning letters by Wiltshire Police drawing attention to the offence and advise the drivers of the consequences of excessive speed, repeat offenders and those caught excessively speeding by fifty per cent or more are visited by their local Neighbourhood Policing Team.

For more information on how to join a current scheme, please contact the Community Speed Watch Co-ordinator on [communityspeedwatch@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:communityspeedwatch@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk)

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