

Good Afternoon,

I am sending this email from the Lincolnshire Road Safety Partnership in response to correspondence from a resident with concerns about speeding vehicles travelling through Mareham Le Fen. This resulted in a covert speed survey being completed, a report being compiled and a review by my Senior Manager who made the partnership enforcement decisions. The reply to the resident with a copy of the survey results are included with this email.

I am aware that the village does have reactive speed signage, but there is available additional signage and the Community Speed Watch Volunteer scheme run through our CSW coordinator Dave Mitchell. I attach a Community Speed Watch booklet.

Technical data recording equipment was installed on Main Road near School Lane and commenced on the 29th April 2021. It continued for a full seven day period. A daily average of 4391 vehicles travelled through the survey area with a fairly even flow in each direction. Analysis of the speed data showed that the average speed of vehicles was 28 MPH . The speed data showed some evidence that vehicles were exceeding the speed limit at a speed that would make the drivers liable to action/ prosecution by the Police with 2.9% travelling at 10MPH or more in excess of the 30 limit. I have attached the summary above which provides a breakdown of the speeds.

"I have researched the collisions involving personal injury for the last 3 year period up to a data date of 31/03/21 and there has been one recorded.

Highways engineers within the Road Safety Partnership have assessed the area and inform me that no engineering casualty reduction measures were identified

As you will be aware the Government is committed to ensuring that the process for deploying speed cameras is transparent and that cameras are only used at locations where they can make a demonstrable reduction in speed related casualties. The only form of speed enforcement that the LRSP can carry out is with the use of speed cameras; however the site selection process has to comply with the criteria set out by the Department for Transport. This criterion includes locations where there are a history of speed related injury collisions supported by evidence of a high degree of non-compliance with the speed limit. In that respect Lincolnshire Police through the Road Safety Partnership adheres to the site selection criteria set out by the Department for Transport to ensure that the process is completely transparent and that cameras are only used as a casualty reduction measure. The results of the survey together with an analysis of the collision data show that the criteria required for either fixed or mobile speed camera enforcement is not met.

Having identified that the Partnership are not able to use our camera vans in Mareham Le Fen at this time, as discussed before there would be an opportunity for the parish to become involved with the community speed watch scheme. As a partnership however, we do process in excess of 60,000 offences of excess speed across the county annually."

Kind regards

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