

Claygate Speedwatch Team Report for Period May/June 2023

The Team

We now have 6 trained members, one having left due to health reasons, we have one on sick leave, 2 away on family visits and thus only three remaining. We now need to recruit at least three more

Schedule

We held three sessions in the period with three more cancelled due to volunteer availability.

Locations

No change.

Equipment

No Change

Results this Period

Please see section at base and attached System produced reports.

Speedwatch Seminar at Surrey University on 17/06/2023

I spent **an excellent** day at University of Surrey broadening my knowledge and listening to others, experts in the field of policing using volunteers. A series of high-level presentations by Chief Constable of Sussex and three academics sponsored by the Road Safety Trust, and networking with other groups and the Police officers and PCSO's who manage speedwatch. There were two workshops and the ideas will be correlated and distributed in due course. I will be getting a full set of slides from all four speakers which will be distributed to all, but before that a few 'takeaways':

- Need to increase our numbers, there is one team of thirty who do 2-3 sessions a week
- Surrey/Sussex have 400 groups with 2100 volunteers
- The compliance statistic is 94% that is only one letter is required to change driver behavior
- The police are very supportive, this is policing by consent, we do the education/monitoring they do the enforcement
- Police need to recognize the time/effort and perhaps 'recognize' long serving volunteers
- 5 people are killed on UK roads every day, the victims are not just the casualty, but their families AND the Emergency workers who attend and 'clean up'
- The driver feedback is that the main deterrent is loss of license, fines do not affect certain people
- Police attendance at sessions is minimal and needs to be increased, this was a recurring theme from all groups
- There needs to be a more permanent visual warning on street furniture of Speedwatch activity and not just our pop-up signs.
- The Police need to assist with recruitment
- Speedwatch teams should all receive Police accident statistics for their area
- Sussex are trialing body cameras for teams to deal with driver aggression (£80-£100) and there are funds for this in the pipeline
- New Radar is in the pipeline, an initial contract is going through procurement for Surrey. The new unit it will be single vehicle/single direction only, smaller and easier to use.

- Speedwatch needs to be made a socially acceptable activity
- We need to advertise more and publish the statistics to a wider audience (parish web page ??)
- From Gloucestershire Police we had a study of responses from offenders, interesting most were broad supportive, although the sample was small and we did not know the total size of the offending group.
- There needs to be follow up and refresher training to reflect new practices
- The various constabularies have differing process for Speedwatch, Sussex does not require warning triangles (in my view this tending towards enforcement!)
- Sussex tend to have groups of three, I had the feedback they have issues with physical driver aggression

The really bad news is that currently the CSW database data has no direct nor indirect process for inputting serial offenders onto the Police National Computer (PNC) except by special request, which prevents real-time access by the roadside. There was an example quoted of an individual in Sussex who has amassed 9 letters (yes that is 27 recorded transgressions) and is still driving as the police need to apprehend him in the act of speeding before they can do anything. They are looking at such an update process, but this is manual due to the nature of the PNC

The slides make much better reading so I will follow up when they arrive.

Summary Statistics Report

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Start Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2023-05-28
End Date (YYYY-MM-DD)	2023-06-28

Analysis of records for 2023-05-28 to 2023-06-28

All Records	8
Excessive Speeder Records (> 1.5*Limit)	0
Count Speeders 30mph	8
% of All Records	100 %
Max Speeder 30mph	41 mph
Average Speeder 30mph	38 mph
Count All Sessions 30mph	2
Avg Speeders per Session	4
Total number of Vehicles Passing	696
Number of Sessions with Vehicles Passing	2
Avg Vehicles Passing per Session	348
Avg % Speeders/Session	1 %
Session time at roadside	2 Hours
Avg Offenders per hour	4
Vehicles without MOT	0
Vehicles without TAX	1
Vehicles on SORN	0
Police Actions taken if known	
Invalid Record	2
Letter Sent	6

Historical Statistics Analysis

Analysis of records for 2022-03-28 to 2022-06-28			Analysis of records for 2023-03-28 to 2023-06-28		
All Records	43		All Records	25	
Excessive Speeder Records (> 1.5*Limit)	0		Excessive Speeder Records (> 1.5*Limit)	0	
Count Speeders 30mph	43		Count Speeders 30mph	25	
% of All Records	100	%	% of All Records	100	%
Max Speeder 30mph	43	mph	Max Speeder 30mph	41	mph
Average Speeder 30mph	37	mph	Average Speeder 30mph	37	mph
Count All Sessions 30mph	6		Count All Sessions 30mph	6	
Avg Speeders per Session	7		Avg Speeders per Session	4	
Total number of Vehicles Passing	1760		Total number of Vehicles Passing	2762	
Number of Sessions with Vehicles Passing	5		Number of Sessions with Vehicles Passing	7	
Avg Vehicles Passing per Session	352		Avg Vehicles Passing per Session	394	
Avg % Speeders/Session	2	%	Avg % Speeders/Session	0	%
Session time at roadside	5	Hours	Session time at roadside	7	Hours
Avg Offenders per hour	8.6		Avg Offenders per hour	3.6	
Vehicles without MOT	1		Vehicles without MOT	1	
Vehicles without TAX	2		Vehicles without TAX	3	
Vehicles on SORN	1		Vehicles on SORN	1	
Police Actions taken if known			Police Actions taken if known		
Invalid Record	7		Invalid Record	7	
1st Record Observed	1		Letter Sent	18	
Letter Sent	35				

The above figures cover all the sites in Claygate, but what is interesting is the total and average number of vehicles passing the team. The other interesting figures are those for MOT and TAX at the bottom of the report.