

# Decelerate.

## Community Speedwatch

### Newsletter # 3

Welcome to the 3rd newsletter from your TVP Community Speedwatch co-ordinator for;

*Berkshire, Buckinghamshire & Oxfordshire. (TVP)*



Hi everyone.

What a year 2021 was, facilitating 2 styles of CSW and launching the new platform to all Police areas across Thames Valley. The last Police area went live in December 2021.

The future of CSW now has a platform to build a cohesive and effectively applied strategy across all three counties within the Thames Valley Policing area.



The new platform for CSW has been giving individual results back to those who are involved or have a vested interest. Your statistics are available from within the individual group platform.

Yes, we have seen a great take-up of the platform, with 160 groups now registered on the system. We still have a little way to go, rounding up those who have not yet registered. I do hope that their participation will become part of the CSW family in the near future.

For those of you that are wondering if you can continue to carry out CSW via the old system, this is now **Not** possible. The only way that letters can be raised is via the new platform. Thames Valley Police will no longer accept any paperwork in order to process your hard work. I am sorry but we have to accept change and move forward.

## GOOD NEWS

The 12 Local Police areas of Thames valley Police are now on the new platform, the final area of Milton Keynes went live on 29<sup>th</sup> December 2021.

The PCC, Matt Barber has secured funding, enabling short-term loan start-up kits for new areas that are waiting for funds being available to purchase equipment. These will be available, on a loan period of up to 6 months only, once loaned you cannot request to loan again. This will enable other teams starting up in the TVP area to get started as soon as possible. These devices will be available as soon as they arrive from the suppliers.

# Issues Arising

Why is the System showing 'No letters' sent?

The system will only show the words 'reported to TVP', this is due to TVP not using the lettering system of CSW online. All those vehicles that you record come into TVP letter system and their administration is carried out by us.

Where are the TVP roadside documents?

When you open the system and are on your home page, look to the far right and click 'HELP'. Now look to the left and choose 'DOCUMENTS', upon opening now choose 'FORMS'. The documents are the second up from the bottom of the page. These documents are to be with you each time you are at the roadside, no matter which device you are operating.

Why have some of my records been deleted?

From time to time there are administration errors, indexes can be recorded incorrectly or submitted. The registered keepers are sent a letter, a complaint then comes back to TVP, this is then investigated. Should this complaint be substantiated and clear evidence shows that the index was taken incorrectly, then, and only then, the record will be wiped.

Why do TVP insist on Three operators for handheld devices?

The simple answer is SAFETY, and protocols. If a group have a tripod device then two people are required as recording is done by two people. If a group have a handheld device, then three people. The person holding the device is now taking the position of the tripod. Two people have to be aware of surroundings at all time, and if the handheld device operator is concentrating on the vehicles coming towards them, they cannot be space aware.



## **UPDATE.**

There has been an update on the financial costings of the signage. There has also been further roadside signs made available.

Villages/towns are able to use signage that makes road users aware of an area being active in the CSW scheme. The signs can either be placed on entry to a village or town and be permanent, fixed to existing road side furniture or a single sign that must be placed between 15-20m prior to the activity taking place.

All prices are FROM;

Wall Mount

A 1 = 3mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Wall mount Signs 600mm x 150mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £23.99

B 1 = 3mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Wall mount Signs 1000mm x 250mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £48.50

C 1 = 3mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Wall mount Signs 1200mm x 300mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £64.25

D 1 = 3mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Wall mount Signs 300mm x 420mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £27.10

E 1 = 3mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Wall Mount Signs 420mm x 600mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £45.61

Post Mount

F 1 = 2.5mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Post mount Signs 600mm x 150mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £42.47

G 1 = 2.5mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Post mount Signs 1000mm x 250mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £80.47

H 1 = 2.5mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Post mount Signs 1200mm x 300mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on reflective yellow background £100.85

I 1 = 2.5mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Post mount Signs  
300mm x 420mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on  
reflective yellow background £46.10

J 1 = 2.5mm aluminium composite Community Speedwatch Post mount Signs  
420mm x 600mm with radius corners and laminated digital print in black / white on  
reflective yellow background £68.01

### **NEW PAVEMENT SIGNS.**

O1= Eco-Swinger pavement sign. Panel applied to both sides with cut vinyl detail,  
black/white on reflective yellow background. Re; Community Speedwatch, with  
speed camera symbol and TVP logo. Panel size 430mm x 625mm. £132.62

P1= Standard pavement sign. Panel applied to both sides with cut vinyl detail,  
black/white on reflective yellow background. Re; Community Speedwatch, with  
speed camera symbol and TVP logo. Panel size 530mm x 900mm. £181.44

Stainless steel clips for above are from £3.00

The dimensions of the signs are those that would conform to TVP Community  
speed watch protocols.

These prices quoted from Sign Wizzard Aylesbury.

Other sign makers in the Thames Valley may quote differently.

**AUTHORISATION MUST BE SOUGHT FROM YOUR LOCAL AUTHORITY OR  
PARISH PRIOR TO PURCHASING, REGARDING FIXING TO EXISTING  
ROADSIDE FURNITURE.**

## **EQUIPMENT**

We strongly recommended that each group/village/team purchase their own  
equipment. This allows flexibility of the teams to undertake activities as and when  
they see fit. It takes away the potential scenario that equipment not being available

**Use of hand held devices;** TVP will now support the use of such devices due to the cost  
implications that static devices were costing, therefore impeding smaller communities from  
being able to use the scheme.

Only **NON HOME OFFICE APPROVED** devices can be used. The likes of Laser LTI 20/20  
and SPEEDAR devices are **NOT** to be used within the scheme. An example of such an  
approved device, and there are others, would be a Bushnell 101911 radar gun, which is  
currently selling online around £160 online. There is however one caveat, the use of a  
device called **pocket radar** will not be sanctioned. This is due to the increased ability of  
operators to misuse the equipment.

### **Thames Valley Police Insurance**

Providing each scheme has signed up on the system and have undergone the relative  
training, then the TVP insurance will be in place. This has a liability of £50M, far higher  
than that of a small parish being able to obtain. On the new scheme the platform will  
enable each location to be certified and thus creating a service level agreement to the  
group. **The insurance is only in place once CSW activities are in progress and  
providing that the group has pre-booked using the websites calendar system.**

## A FEW TVP SPEEDWATCH RESULTS

PEOPLE WHO HAVE JOINED NEW TVP CSW SCHEME.	= 635
SITES APPROVED ACROSS TVP	= 413
ROADSIDE SESSIONS IN HOURS	= 735
OPERATOR HOURS ACROSS TVP	= 2057
Percentage of NON re-offenders after receiving 1 <sup>st</sup> letter	= 95.20%

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR TIME AND EFFORT. 😊

### The Vision.

All community speed watch activities across Thames Valley Police are aligned in the implementation and administration of the scheme.

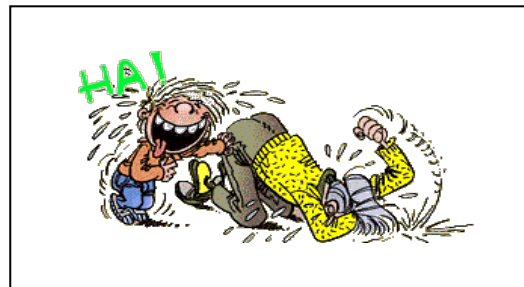
All community speed watch activities are carried out in accordance with Policy, procedure and the best intentions of the community volunteers.

Members of the community are happy with the education process and potential targeting of persistent offenders.

**CHECK  
YOUR  
SPEED**  
CHILDREN  
LIVE HERE!!

Kind Regards

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Life is fun, keep smiling, stay Safe.

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