

Community Speed Watch Report: July 2020



Community Speed Watch (CSW) was suspended in March under the Covid-19 rules and restarted on 27th July 2020. We did however continue to monitor and report traffic recorded by the static “Your Speed” displays – the Village MVAS units, Moveable Vehicle Activated Signs. Traffic is currently around 50% of pre- Covid-19 levels.

The MVAS equipment not only records and displays speeds but also provides statistics on vehicle, counts including time of day activities which are useful for setting speed check sessions.

The results from MVAS are summarised and sent to Highways every 28 days before the display is relocated. The data is collated on the **Community Speed Watch page** according to location in the village – so take a look at **St Neots Road** and **Cambridge Road** for example. The display from Cambridge Road is now monitoring traffic in Main Street. From time to time we will put up a graph of the traffic speeds..

Just two CSW checks for July

Date 2020	Location	Vehicles Reported	Total vehicles	Highest speed mph	Comments
27 th July	77 St Neots Road	10	174	61	Westbound
29 th July	Cambridge Road	7	83	42	Southbound

These checks were done using the static signs on the posts

MVAS Operation: The MVAS “flasher” has now been in operation since March 2020 and although it has an effect on slowing traffic **heading towards the display** it does nothing for vehicles who do not face it. However in support of calming the traffic to speeds acceptable to pedestrians, cyclists and other road users in Hardwick, County Highways have designed physical measures on the carriageway e.g. the Keep Left bollards at bus stops on the St Neots Road which will provide a safer experience and we look forward to that being in place.

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