

COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH NEWSLETTER

MARCH 2023



PERRANWELL CSW TEAM HELPS SECURE AVERAGE SPEED CAMERA SYSTEM ON MAJOR ROUTE IN CORNWALL

Members of the Perranarworthal community are celebrating the introduction of Average Speed Cameras on a section of the A39 notorious for speeding drivers. The cameras are the result of years of hard work from the village's Community Speedwatch (CSW) Group who have long campaigned for speed reduction measures along the road. Volunteers from the group have worked with Cornwall Council and Vision Zero South West to carry out regular speed checks, gathering evidence of drivers exceeding the speed limit, despite the various measures introduced to make road users aware of the 30mph limit. Stuart Douglas of the Perranwell CSW team joined members of Cornwall Council, Devon & Cornwall Police and Vision Zero South West earlier this month to formally launch the new scheme. Cllr Peter Williams, Cornwall Council member for Mylor, Perranarworthal and Ponsanooth, has worked with Stuart on this project for some time. Cllr Williams said: "This has been one of my key priorities as Cornwall Councillor for Perranarworthal and I am pleased to have delivered on this for not



only the people I represent, but also everyone who uses this busy route between Truro and Falmouth. Thank you to the numerous people and organisations who have worked with me to make this happen over the past few years – it has been a long road to a good outcome, and I hope this will make where we live a safer place." Alison Hernandez, Police and Crime Commissioner for Devon, Cornwall and the Isles of Scilly, is also chair of the Vision Zero South West road safety partnership. The Commissioner said: "It's fair to say that you won't find many residents as passionate about road safety as those of Perranarworthal. As a

community living alongside a main road, they regularly witnessed the issues caused by excessive and inappropriate speed, and decided to do something about it. Their CSW volunteers have been instrumental in this campaign, tirelessly monitoring the road and supplying the police and council with their findings. These new speed cameras will now provide constant monitoring along this section of the A39, where there have been numerous collisions and injuries. I'd like to congratulate the community for working in collaboration with Cornwall Council and Devon & Cornwall Police to make this happen."



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CRITERIA FOR REQUESTING NEW CSW SITES

When requesting approval of a new location (or an additional site from an existing location), the Site Wizard will guide you through the entire process. You will be asked to provide information about the site (speed limit, position, name, etc.) and you will be able to see a list of the required conditions for its approval. When completed, the relevant Site Approval Officer will automatically be alert to your request(s).



Prior to requesting an additional site (whether at a new location or adding an extra direction to an existing location) you should consider if it satisfies the following criteria:

- The Group Co-ordinator should request any new or amended site via CSW Online.
- Potential sites **MUST** be within the area the group intends to operate.
- CSW is only allowed to operate within 20, 30 or 40mph speed limits.
- The monitoring/standing location must have a clear, easily accessible Safe Area/Escape Route.
- The standing location **MUST** be at least 1 metre from the edge of the carriageway.
- The site **MUST** have a clear line of site for oncoming traffic.
- CSW activity must not block entrance to or exit from properties and should not hinder public thoroughfare.
- Use of private land **MUST** have the permission of the landowner.
- CSW Activity **MUST** be clearly visible at all times to road users.
- D&C Safe System of Work Checklist can be found in Help->Documentation->Forms.

Any of the following criteria will disqualify a suggested location/site:

- Site is not in 20mph, 30mph or 40mph speed limit zone.
- There is no Safe Monitoring Location/Safe Area.
- There is no Traffic Regulation Order in place where one is required.
- The site is close to or just off a bend in the road.
- The site requires a group to stand too close to the carriageway



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DATES CONFIRMED FOR CSW 2023 EVENTS



We are delighted to announce that we have confirmed the dates for our 2023 CSW Events:

- **Cornwall CSW Event** will be held on the 19th October 2023 at The Royal Cornwall Showground Wadebridge.
- **Devon CSW Event** will be held on the 30th October 2023 at Westpoint Arena Exeter.

Invitations with event details will be sent out later in the year.

GROUP ABUSE REPORTING REMINDER

You can report any Group Abuse on CSW Online when you input the results of a session by choosing from a dropdown list under the 'abuse' box (shown above). The dropdown list (shown above) shows the different types of abuse that you can report, so if it is necessary, please choose the number that most represents the situation. You will still need to record the vehicles details, the VRM, make, colour and speed.

PLEASE NOTE: if the vehicle is NOT above the threshold, record the speed as 0mph

Time		Please choose one from either 'Common Makes' or 'All Makes' but not both		Colour 1	
Hr	Min	Mph	Reg #	Common Makes	All Makes
06	00				
Direction			ABUSE targeted at your Group ?		Unknown
Traffic heading North			Inoffensive driver		Unknown
Comments/Model					Special Interest
					non specific
Add Record					

- 1 Driver made rude gesture
- 2 Driver used abusive language
- 3 Excessive use of horn
- 4 Disruptive Driving
- 5 Driver stopped and argued
- 6 Driver took photos of the group
- 7 Driver stopped and threatened group
- 8 Driver attacked Operator
- 9 Vehicle intentionally driven at group

HELP DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE ONLINE

There are a range of documents available on CSW Online under the 'help' icon. If you select the documents tab from the side, you can choose from a range of user guides for the radar devices, as well as help guides for the CSW online system for co-ordinators and operators. These cover things such as:

Also available are:

- How to create site requests
- Campaign Guide
- Messaging guides
- Registration guide for new Operators
- The Code of Conduct
- Force GDPR Policy
- Force Insurance Document
- Copies of the CSW Log Sheets

