

COMMUNITY ROADWATCH (CRW) CONTRIBUTION TO VILLAGE VOICE EDITION JUN 2020

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Wow!! How time has flown by since March when Village Voice was last issued because of the subsequent physical distribution problems caused by Lockdown. I trust you are emerging unscathed from the virus, for the moment at least. An unfortunate by-product of the Lockdown has been clearer roads that have caused a notable increase in speeding in most residential locations where speeders have whizzed by you at breakneck speeds with nothing and no one to stop them as even our Speedwatch Teams have had to hibernate and the Police were reassigned to COVID duties. However, thankfully, in anticipation of a lockdown, CRW arranged for your essential, CRW-managed Speed Indicating Devices (SIDs) in Station Rd and West End to be moved to vital locations for the duration by your village SID Support Team (SST) – comprising Vivian & Matt from Sutton Rd and Richard & Linda (from Station Rd) – who have kept the SIDs operational with 2-weekly battery changes - in an attempt to moderate some speeding. Also, Volume/Speed data was drawn by CRW from these SIDs at the beginning of March - and will be again at the end of May - to reveal the stats for the 3 separate periods: (1) Pre-Lockdown to 22 Mar; (2) Lockdown from 23 Mar-10 May; (3) 11 May-31 May. That data, when available, will be published on your CRW Haddenham portal along with all your other data at www.roadwatch.org.uk/cambs/haddenham

Just prior to Lockdown, 4 Mar 20, CRW met with your Parish Road Safety Sub-Committee (Minutes on line) to discuss progress on moving the 40 mph limit on Sutton Road further out to give decelerating drivers more time to reduce speeds from 60+ mph to 40 mph by the time they reach Ely Way and the pedestrian crossing place for residents there. We also discussed carrying out some Community Lorrywatch session at the crossroads (near the shop) to determine the names of the HGV companies still using Haddenham as a possible shortcut and the directions of travel. Also, post meeting, we learned that Haddenham Parish Council's 20/21 LHI application - for £6k of County funding towards its £10k '40 mph limit speed moderation' project to install posts for 2 additional SIDs for use in Hill Row and Sutton Rd - had been approved. We look forward to being involved in siting the posts and managing these new SIDs through your SST in future. Details of all LHI bids can be found by searching for 'Cambs CC LHI'.

In the meantime, please stay safe and CRW will continue to 'keep the camp fires burning' in the absence of any other initiative to address speeding in the village. Catch you next month with the best results we can obtain whilst fully complying with the COVID constraints.

**MORE PEOPLE ARE KILLED OR SERIOUSLY INJURED IN THE COUNTRY'S 30 MPH ZONES
THAN IN ALL OTHER ZONES COMBINED**



The photo demonstrates the problem across Sutton Rd.



The Photo shows the full SST moving the SID from Hop Row to West End in March 2020 (pre-lockdown)



Left to Right: Vivian, Matt, Richard and Linda moving a SWARCO SID from Hop Row.