

COMMUNITY ROADWATCH (CRW) – supported in principle by Haddenham Parish Council – is a lawful, ethical, volunteer, free service operated by an incorporated Road Safety Company and used primarily to accurately quantify speeding at residential locations – and to address some of the resultant risks speeding and driver distractions pose to the Community . To fully exploit its presence kerbside, it notes the livery of any speeding commercial vehicles or distracted drivers (on phone, reading, smoking, drinking, etc) and sends polite, standard letters to appropriate company executives requesting they have ‘words’ with drivers to get them to slow and take more care in our communities. CRW purposely does not report anyone to the Police except in the most extreme and dangerous of circumstances and then only with solid evidence for a possible prosecution or Section 59 for dangerous driving.

Our Company website (www.roadwatch.org.uk) stats show that in Cambs, at the end of Aug 16, CRW had carried out some 375 kerbside sessions, monitored the speeds of 60,000 vehicles with no less than 18,750 speeding (31%); also, it had sent out over 600 letters to companies and had received over 480 responses 99.99% of which were proactive and apologetic. In Haddenham alone, since Mar 16 (when CRW first started operating there), CRW has carried out 12 sessions, monitored 2750 vehicles of which 780 were speeding (28%) with a highest speed of 53 mph in West End; for Haddenham, it also sent out 80 letters to companies with 85% responding positively. So this is proof positive that CRW has been a real ‘Force for Good’ in Cambs and Haddenham and that it can supplement Police Speedwatch without conflicting with it.

CRW does not tout for local volunteers to join its mobile discrete teams that do use long-range radar speed devices from legally parked cars to get true speeding values and anyone can ask for our help to obtain such empirical data. We even run FREE Speed Awareness Sessions for the curious who would like to have a proper informed opinion about us.

For more information, please contact the Coord@roadwatch.org.uk or your Haddenham CRW Rep james@roadwatch.org.uk