Community Speed Watch (CSW)

Liskeard and its surrounding areas have had an active Community Speed Watch group for over 10 years whose sole intention is to try and make local roads a safer place for all to use.

The team founded to encourage as many drivers as possible to be more speed aware when driving through Liskeard, Dobwalls, Doublebois, East Taphouse, Fore Down, Menheniot, Merrymeet, Pensilva, St Ive, Upton Cross, and Widegates.

They operate from police authorised monitoring sites which are chosen so they are clearly visible to approaching motorists and are placed well within a speed limited area. When motorists see the team, they should already be aware of the road's speed limit and will have had plenty of time to adjust their speed accordingly.

CSW volunteers monitor the speeds of all passing drivers but only record those travelling at 10% +2 above the speed limit and report them to the police. The police write an advisory letter to the registered keeper, which explains the dangers of travelling at excess speed and reminds drivers to reduce the speed at which they travel.

Community Speed Watch volunteers **do not** fine or prosecute drivers and fully support this alternative advisory action being taken.

They are also very thankful to the many drivers who they witness who do pass by, driving safely and within the speed limit.

Unfortunately, there are occasions when their volunteering work does not have the desired impact of educating motorists to drive within the speed limit so the police will support local teams in delivering this message by conducting some enforcement action in the area as well.

The Liskeard Community Speed Watch team would like to welcome new members. If you are interested in joining them or wish to find out more about the scheme please scan the QR code below, or email speedwatch@dc.police.uk *with your name and contact number.*