

Whatlington Speedwatch 14 November 2024

The village Speedwatch group was back roadside on 14 November equipped with a new detector gun.

The device has a narrower beam so better able to detect speeds of oncoming traffic without being affected by vehicles on the opposite side of the road.

While many motorists, around a quarter, were travelling above the 40mph limit only one fell outside the range the group is permitted to report to the police, doing 47mph heading south past the Hillside Nursery entrance.

Some 350 vehicles passed the checkpoint (in one direction only) – fewer than previously counted.

The traffic problems at the Harrow may account for the reduction in number of vehicles using the A21, and the evening out of the speed limits after John's Cross may account for fewer speeding vehicles.

The group is still in desperate need of additional volunteers to increase its roadside sessions.

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