

Snape Community SpeedWatch annual report to Snape PC

The Snape Community SpeedWatch team is part of the Suffolk and Norfolk Constabularies initiative to increase road users' awareness of the risks of excessive speeding in our communities.

During 2025, the CSW team held 45 sessions at 4 locations in the village. The team has 10 members. Each session requires 3 people to be present.

While we are not warranted by the police we monitor the speed of approaching vehicles with calibrated speed detection devices. Any vehicle exceeding 35mph has its details recorded which are sent to the Community SpeedWatch coordinator at police HQ. The registered owner of the vehicle receives a polite but firm letter advising their speed, location, etc., and highlighting the dangers of driving faster than the advised speed limit.

Our locations (authorised by the police):

- A1094 Christmas Cottage
- B1069 Snape Village Hall
- B1069 near the primary school
- B1069 Abbey Farm

Abbey Farm and Christmas Cottage are our preferred locations due to volume of traffic and the lack of parked vehicles. They are also on busy routes to the large infrastructure projects in our area.

2025 in summary:

- 45 sessions
- 4 locations
- 38 monitoring hours
- 138 vehicles were recorded as being driven at more than 35 mph
- 10 members

We would like to extend and record our gratitude to our former coordinator and mentor Tim Beach who has sadly resigned from his role. The joint coordinators are now Caroline Salisbury and Greg Spray.

The effect of our activities is clear. There seems to be less speeding. The ad hoc presence of uniformed traffic officers at Abbey Farm also reinforces the message that speeding in Snape is unacceptable.

Going forward we will continue our SpeedWatch monitoring in 2026 at Christmas Cottage, the village hall and Abbey Farm. We also hope to reinstate the former location at The Crown. We are a team of 10 volunteers, and we would welcome new members to join us.

Greg Spray

Joint Coordinator of Snape Community SpeedWatch

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