

Sway Community Speed Watch report as of 24/1/2016

Sway Parish Council website now has a page devoted to Community SpeedWatch where many of the latest statistics are published, so to avoid duplication some of the charts previously in this report have been removed. Therefore this report should be read in conjunction with the web page at <http://www.sway-pc.gov.uk/16707>.

The police Community SpeedWatch database is still inoperative while they continue to try and get the new system up and running. So last week, again, our volunteers decided to deploy SID but not record any vehicle details.

Although no vehicle details were recorded, the Speed Indicator Device itself was still collecting its data, so our charts have been updated. The main stats for last week are:

Date	Time	Location	Total Vehicles recorded	Maximum Speed	Number exceeding 35mph	%
18/01/2016	08:30-09:30	PitmoreM	262	43	46	18%
18/01/2016	15:00-16:00	PitmoreN	132	42	18	14%
19/01/2016	09:30-10:30	Durnstown	138	44	29	21%
19/01/2016	15:00-16:00	Arnewood	158	44	41	26%
20/01/2016	08:30-10:30	PitmoreS	345	47	79	23%
20/01/2016	15:00-16:00	PitmoreM	171	44	13	8%
21/01/2016	08:30-10:30	Durnstown	410	47	49	12%
21/01/2016	15:00-16:00	Brighton	72	40	11	15%
22/01/2016	15:00-16:00	Durnstown	192	41	36	19%
23/01/2016	08:30-09:30	Arnewood	116	47	46	40%
Overall	12 hours		1996	47	368	18%

Since we began speed watch in April 2014 we have

- conducted 252 hours of speed watch sessions
- until recently each session covered by at least 3 volunteers (reduced to 2 recently)
- each hour of session often requiring another hour or more to complete paperwork
- with planning, SID transport, analysis etc, this equates to **1294 volunteer hours**

In this time we have reported **4033** vehicle details of speeders to the police
The highest speed recorded so far is **68mph by 2 vehicles on 23 May 2015**

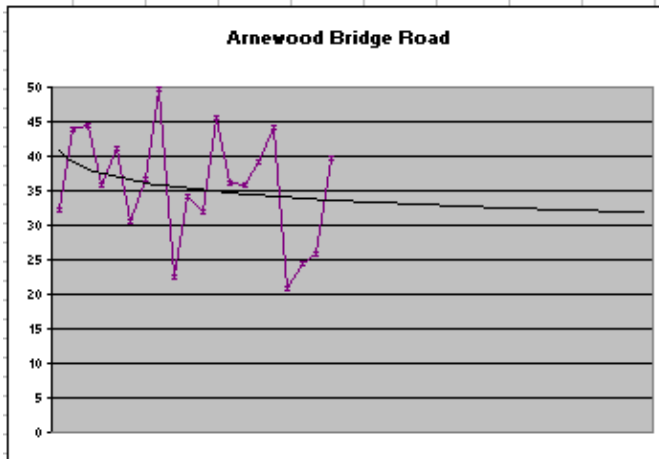
We only take details of vehicles that are exceeding the speed limit by 10% + 2 mph (ie 35 mph or more in a 30 mph speed limit) as per ACPO guidelines. Even then we are often unable to note all that speed. Since July 2014, we have collected data that is recorded in the Speed Indicator Device (SID) itself. This shows:

- We have missed 2060 speeding vehicles (tailgaters, those who avoid passing us and more recently because of police database issues)
- 46% of all motorists exceed the 30 mph speed limit
- 19% exceed it at 35 mph or more

The statistics sadly show that percentages of vehicles speeding in all ranges are still increasing in spite of our efforts. The chart showing these speeding trends is now online at <http://www.sway-pc.gov.uk/16707>.

The chart showing how the percentages of drivers that actually obey the 30mph speed limit has changed over time on each of the roads we survey has also been moved to the webpage at <http://www.sway-pc.gov.uk/16707>

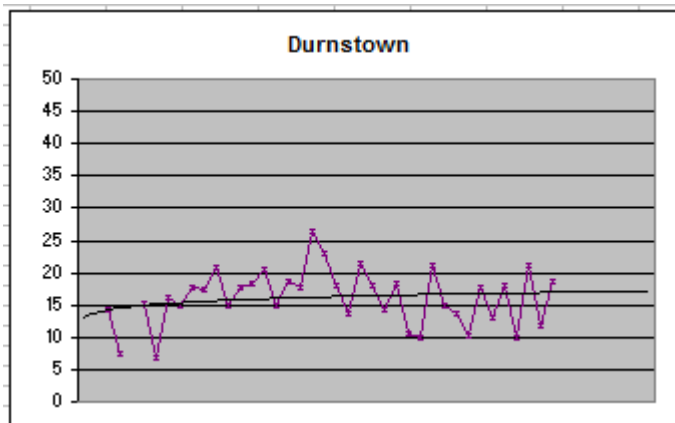
These charts show how the percentages of vehicles speeding at 35 mph or more has changed since we began collecting SID stats in July 2014.



Arnewood Bridge Road is our most severe problem area. The percentage of vehicles speeding is over twice that at our other locations. However the trend finally is showing signs of improvement.

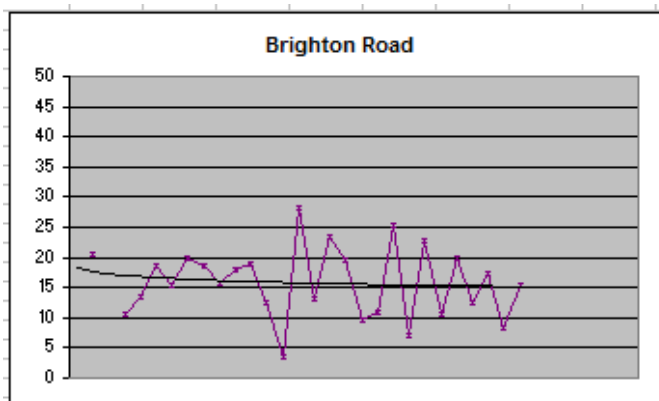
This location still needs highest possible attention.

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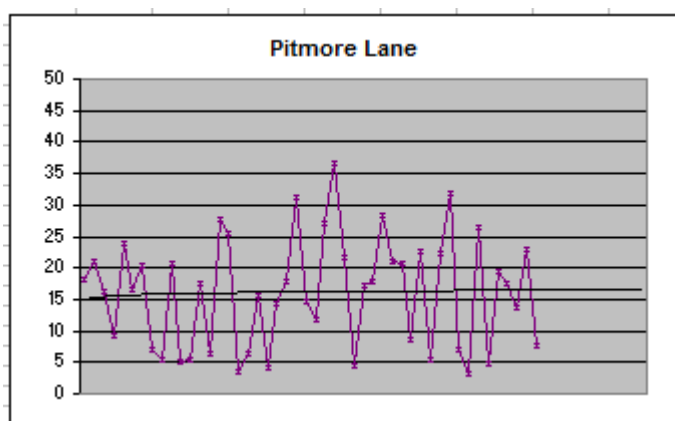
Durnstown is still a severe problem. The trend line still shows that the percentage of vehicles exceeding the speed limit steadily increasing despite all our efforts.

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Brighton Road still shows little sign of improved driver behaviour. It looks as though extra measures will need to be taken to force traffic to slow down along what is a very straight road with no pavement and many vulnerable road users.

Status AMBER



Pitmore Lane trend line still shows no sign of improvement

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Manchester Road is perceived to be a problem area by residents. However our 8 surveys there so far have recorded just ten motorists exceeding 35mph. This suggests that it is the speed limit itself that needs to be reviewed by the highways authority as 30 mph is clearly too fast for the conditions.