Woodwalton Speedwatch Report 31/05/2017 – Dave Driver

We now have a Community Speedwatch team in Woodwalton and I have volunteered as the co-ordinator. We currently have seven volunteers, six of who are trained, and one who is awaiting training. We also have two others who have offered to volunteer. We are sharing the equipment with three other parish councils, Upwood and The Raveleys, Bury, and Wistow.

We have had the equipment here for the last couple of weeks and so far have conducted four sessions, each of around 90 minutes. All of the volunteers have been involved, David and myself at all of them, and each of the others at one session each.

During these sessions we have observed many motorists speeding. The first session was in the 40 limit on Bridge Street in a morning. This was while the traffic lights were in operation, so the cars were coming through in waves, meaning that we usually only caught the first vehicle, or none at all if the first vehicle was not speeding. Nevertheless we observed some vehicles exceeding 50, and one doing 63, although sadly we didn't get the correct details for this one. The second session was held on Raveley Road leaving the village in an afternoon also with the traffic lights in operation, so again we did not catch as many speeding vehicles as we might have expected. The third and fourth sessions were held outside the village hall in a morning and here we recorded quite a lot more speeding motorists. We had quite a few seen to be doing speeds in the high forties, and one in each of these sessions reached 51.

Most, if not all, of these will receive a warning letter. Those with the higher speeds are likely to receive a visit from a police officer.

We will be holding some more sessions in the near future.

The statistics are shown below:

Session number	Location	Number observed	Number reported speeding	Percentage reported speeding
1	Bridge Street away from village	248	14	5.6%
2	Raveley Road away from village	229	13	5.7%
3	Village Hall	206	40	19.4%
4	Village Hall	202	34	16.8%