

Speedwatch Report

Parish Council 17th November 2022

During October the number of sessions run by the group was quite a bit higher than previous months, due to the rescheduling of the Project EDWARD (postponed because of the death of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II). The campaign took place between 17th and 21st October.

Project EDWARD is a national campaign held in September each year, all Police Forces and various other road safety organisations, including Speedwatch, carry out as many high profile road speed and safety checks as possible and run some educational sessions. EDWARD stands for **E**very **D**ay **W**ithout **A**Road **D**eath.

We ran 25 sessions during the month of October, totalling 13 hours, those sessions recorded 94 speeding vehicles from 2921 passing vehicles, the fastest speed recorded was 48mph, 4 vehicles were recorded by Etchingham for the second time this year, 2 for the third time, and one has been recorded six times in the last 12 months by Etchingham, Hawkhurst, Sandhurst, Rolvenden and Benenden and has been marked for 'Active Enforcement' by Kent Police. Two of the sessions recorded no speeding during the half hour sessions Two of the sessions was supported by one of the area PCSO's.

A further six sessions were cancelled due to rain and illness.

During November 18 sessions have been planned, but so far three sessions have been cancelled because of rain. One of our November sessions was recently supported by the attendance of the East Sussex District Administrator, Bob Kenward.

The full summary of Etchingham sessions for previous months and the Sussex groups overview can be viewed on the Parish Council website in the documents section.

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