

SpeedWatch Community Safety is coming to Maplebeck

Speeding continues to be a concern for many communities especially in urban environments, and the adoption of SpeedWatch schemes assist the police to more easily achieve their goals.

Community SpeedWatch (CSW) is a locally driven initiative where active members of the community join together with the support of the Police to monitor speeds of vehicles using speed detection devices. Vehicles exceeding the speed limit are referred to the Police with the aim of educating drivers to reduce their speeds. SpeedWatch activity is not about interfering with neighbours' behaviour; it is a proactive solution to improve the safety and quality of life for everyone in the community.

Volunteers receive appropriate training, and are supported by Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT) under the watchful eye of Sgt Matt Scott, who said: "The work the SpeedWatch volunteers do in the community is vital to ensuring our roads remain as safe as possible, the support that we have received from residents and local councillors in relation to this demonstrates the strength of the feeling in the community around this issue"

The scheme aims to cater for the problem of real or perceived speed related offending, and through partnership with the community it is to be used in circumstances that are necessary, justifiable and proportionate in order to:

- **Reduce death and injury on the roads**
- **Improve the quality of life for local communities**
- **Reduce the speed of vehicles to the speed limit**
- **Increase public awareness of inappropriate speed**

The SpeedWatch team are recruiting for the Maplebeck area and are asking any member of the public who could give a min of an hour a month, and would like to become a SpeedWatch volunteer to come forward. Call 101 and ask for Ollerton Neighbourhood Policing Team or call the North/Sherwood Area Co-ordinator, June Stendall on 07831781209. Email: june.stendall11975@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

In the last 4 years since January 2012 to present: across Nottinghamshire

- **41 people have died,**
- **256 were seriously injured**
- **1206 slightly injured with**
- **1503 injured in collisions which relate to speeding.**
- **Majority from 30mph zones**

The Nottinghamshire Police are also looking for members of the public to become Police Vetted Volunteers, below is the job description, if you would like more information on this role contact June Stendall on the details above.

Vetted SpeedWatch Volunteer Job Role

- Organise and oversee non-vetted members of SpeedWatch by communicating with them individually to collate times and dates of outings and put together a diary.
- Organise the SpeedWatch equipment for non-vetted members of the team.
- Deliver SpeedWatch training sessions where necessary alongside trained police officers.
- Organise funding for the SpeedWatch group to enable the finance of the equipment.
- Collate results from outings.
- Be able to drive to risk-assessed locations for SpeedWatch outings.
- Must have basic computer skills to be able to use word processor and email communications.
- To have good organisation and communication skills.
- Have confidence to identify/drive recruitment.
- Assist with unspecified duties which may arise relating to Community SpeedWatch.