





COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH 2024

Essex Police and the Safer Essex Roads Partnership support the activity currently being undertaken by residents; to address and enhance driver behaviour through their villages.

Whilst the volunteers have no powers to sanction a prosecution, offenders' details will be passed on to Essex Police, in order that the force can forward correspondence to the registered keeper, outlining a request for the driver to respect local speed limits as they would wish them to be respected within their own community.

Essex Police remains committed to improving road safety and addressing anti-social use of the County's roads, with efforts towards reducing road casualties. They look to the community to enhance its activity, making residents feel safer - thus improving their quality of life.

Speed is recognised as a major contributory factor to many fatal and serious injury collisions, and a great deal of time and effort is dedicated to addressing this issue at a strategic level.

In **2024**, in Essex, there were **51** people killed in traffic collisions and **757** serious casualties.

Essex Police dealt with over **71,733** excess speed cases, which were finalised by the following methods:

- 13,908 by way of formal warnings having been detected by Community Speed Watch
- 4,067 Careless Driving Offences prosecuted*
- 43,777 National Speed Awareness Courses delivered
- 21,872 by way of fixed penalties, resulting in 3 penalty points and a minimum £100 fine
- **6,084** by way of court appearance.

Should you wish to discuss the matter further, please contact the Community Engagement Team on Traffic.management@essex.pnn.police.uk

Yours sincerely,

Road Crime Team Essex Police

101 is the national non-emergency number but always dial 999 if it is an emergency

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*Careless driving offence figures are not included in the 71,733 excess speed figure.

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