

# Norton St Philip Community Speed Watch Report for TAG - 8th January 2026

I have received some conflicting instructions from the police and Ashley regarding how we record vehicles during our CSW sessions. The police have said we should record the registration mark, the make and the model of the vehicle (but no mention of the colour) and that we should not check our record against the DVLA or other car checking website. Ashley has countermanded this instruction and still wants us to record the registration mark, make and colour of the vehicle, and to continue to check the accuracy of our records against car checking websites, but we should not change any details to match the DVLA or other car checking website.

I hope this is reasonably clear, I have included the text from both messages as appendices.

Here are the details of our NSP Sessions in October, November and December 2025:

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Sessions Between 01/11/2024 to 31/10/2025

Site Code	Site Location	Speed Limit	Sessions		Vehicles		Vehicles Above Threshold		% Above Threshold		Av Speed of speeders		Top Speed		Letters		
			Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	NFA	In Processing
ME0106	B3110 Bath Road	20	0	5	0	1,607	0	105	-	6.5%	-	29.8	-	37	-		0
ME0107	Farleigh Road	20	1	17	473	5,042	12	278	2.5%	5.5%	29.1	33.1	37	42	12	0	0
ME0108	Church Street	20	1	10	226	2,665	5	131	2.2%	4.9%	29.2	31.3	40	41	4	1	0
ME0109	B3110 High Street	20	0	1	0	132	0	9	-	6.8%	-	27.0	-	30	-		0
Total			2	33	699	9,446	17	523	2.4%	5.5%			40	42	16	1	0

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Sessions Between 02/12/2024 to 29/11/2025

Site Code	Site Location	Speed Limit	Sessions		Vehicles		Vehicles Above Threshold		% Above Threshold		Av Speed of speeders		Top Speed		Letters		
			Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	NFA	In Processing
ME0106	B3110 Bath Road	20	1	6	299	1,906	17	122	5.7%	6.4%	26.7	29.8	29	37	17	0	0
ME0107	Farleigh Road	20	0	16	0	4,879	0	267	-	5.5%	-	33.1	-	42	-		0
ME0108	Church Street	20	1	10	138	2,549	14	131	10.1%	5.1%	27.8	31.3	32	41	14	0	0
ME0109	B3110 High Street	20	1	2	274	406	1	10	0.4%	2.5%	25.0	27.0	25	30	1	0	0
Total			3	34	711	9,740	32	530	4.5%	5.4%			32	42	32	0	0

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Sessions Between 02/01/2025 to 30/12/2025

Site Code	Site Location	Speed Limit	Sessions		Vehicles		Vehicles Above Threshold		% Above Threshold		Av Speed of speeders		Top Speed		Letters		
			Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	Yr	Mon	NFA	In Processing
ME0106	B3110 Bath Road	20	0	6	0	1,906	0	122	-	6.4%	-	29.8	-	37	-		0
ME0107	Farleigh Road	20	1	16	239	4,906	19	270	7.9%	5.5%	31.3	33.6	43	43	19	0	0
ME0108	Church Street	20	0	9	0	2,403	0	119	-	5.0%	-	30.5	-	40	-		0
ME0109	B3110 High Street	20	0	2	0	406	0	10	-	2.5%	-	27.0	-	30	-		0
Total			1	33	239	9,621	19	521	7.9%	5.4%			43	43	19	0	0

We achieved five sessions over October and November but we only managed one session in December. Some people were away and Christmas took priority!

It would be good if we could arrange at least four sessions during January so please have a look at your diaries and let me have suggested dates and locations.

David Lockley (NSP CSW Coordinator), 8/1/2026.

## **Appendix I. Message from Kym Booker 7186 Force Community SpeedWatch coordinator dated 17 December 2025**

Dear Community Speed Watch Volunteers,

I am writing to remind all volunteers of the correct procedure when conducting roadside Community Speed Watch (CSW) sessions and recording vehicle details.

When observing a vehicle, only the registration number, make, and model as seen at the roadside must be recorded. Volunteers must not look up vehicle registration details on any website or external source, nor amend or alter the information to match what they believe the vehicle to be.

Similarly, when CSW records are checked and inputted, no changes are to be made to the information originally recorded. If, when checked against LEDS, the details do not match the original record, the entry must be discarded and marked as No Further Action (NFA).

We have recently received a significant number of letters from drivers who are understandably disgruntled, stating that they have received a Community Speed Watch letter despite not having been in the area at the time. While it is acknowledged that some individuals may be disputing the matter without cause, it is clear that a considerable number of letters are being issued incorrectly.

To maintain the integrity and credibility of Community Speed Watch, it is essential that only what is actually observed at the roadside is recorded, without interpretation, assumption, or later amendment.

Your cooperation in adhering strictly to these procedures is vital and very much appreciated. Thank you for your continued commitment and support in helping to keep our communities safe.

## **Appendix II. Message from Ashley dated 18 December 2025**

Hi Folks,

You may or may not have had sight of emails that say that this is how we complete and send in a roadside report. Hopefully, you have not had sight of them as it makes it easier to explain !!

To explain, .....The police are getting dozens of motorists phoning up saying that they were not in the area when a CSW team recorded them for excessive speeds. Some, I suspect, are trying it on, while most are correct. Of course, vehicles in trade, sorned vehicles will always come up and be NFA. The police have not provided me with any information from Mendip, and if they had/do, then we will discuss how we can help you to eradicate this.

What should we do then? (I have agreed with Superintendent Steph M)...Continue as you were taught at training, and that is to check your session against the DVLA site, and if you have written a vehicle down that does not match the DVLA database, THEN DO NOT send it in TO THE SWAN TEAM. **Please do not change any details to match the DVLA site** (a silver you have written down might be down as, say, grey, and that is ok). The reason so many are getting a letter, and they were not there, is that CSW teams do not check their work and guess at it, and sometimes there is a vehicle with that Reg number and hence a false letter is sent out.

So, to us in MENDIP, it is all very simple: do, then check, then send in if they all match and if you have written it down incorrectly, then do not send in (last week with a PCSO/me we got 3 wrong, 2,, no trace, while the other was a different vehicle, so checking avoided a false letter.