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Great Finborough speed watch group has now been operating within the village for 6 years. We have not been active over the last 12 months due to the Covid 19 concerns but hope to get back out on the roadside very soon. The team use a Unipar SL700 machine which is similar to that used by the police.

We have three positions to carry out speed watch within the village which have been assessed as safe by the police. These are opposite the chestnut horse pub, at Pear Tree Place and at the last bungalow along the High Road. We have an active group of 6 members of the village approved by the police to carry out speed watch activities. Letters are sent to all recorded vehicle owners travelling over 35 mph that have been checked through the police vehicle registration data base as correctly identified. Over 55 mph, police will visit the offender if within the Suffolk boundary and advise on the consequences of speeding. We are always looking for more volunteers so if you or anybody you know would like to volunteer please contact me or any member of the PC.

The Parish Council purchased new batteries for the solar operated 30mph sign at the Hitcham end of the village and thanks go to Ian Cameron for his work in identifying the faults and fitting the new equipment. Also, thanks to Colin Mayes who looks after the battery changing on the other speed indication device at that end of the village

Even with all these deterrents in place there is still a long way to go and the High Road continues to experience excessive speeds, especially late evening.

Once again, if anybody can give some of their time to this worthwhile village activity it would be much appreciated. A big thank you to the village residents who are currently participating in this activity.