

Speedwatch & SAM report July 2020

At the time of the PC meeting there was no indication when Speedwatch would recommence. Subsequently, Norfolk Constabulary have issued guidance on the subject and it should be possible to start in the near future. This correspondence also indicates that there may be more co-ordination between the police and Highways, and hopefully us, in assessing locations for the signs and use of data from them.

SAM

The SAM sign was positioned in the 40 limit, facing toward the village, when lockdown commenced. The battery ran down just after the end of the 28 day period and the following figures are for the period 1-29 March. Highest speed recorded 75mph on two occasions, 2.5% of vehicles were travelling in excess of 45mph. Traffic volumes for the first 2 weeks were at normal levels, for week 3 they were 80% of normal, and for week 4, the first week of lockdown they were 45% of normal.

The sign was then left inactive until 7 June.

7 June – 5 July The sign was turned toward Yaxham. Traffic volumes for the period were 80% of normal. The highest speed recorded was 80mph, only 1.25% of vehicles were travelling in excess of 45mph, likely as a result of the traffic control measures at Kensington Forge roadworks.

6 July The sign was turned toward the village, more than 8 weeks having passed since the sign was active in this direction.