



Andover Town Council

Item No.

To approve applying for funding to implement a Community Speedwatch scheme in Andover

To: Full Council

From: Town Clerk

Date of Report: 13 November 2025

Decisions:

The Council approves

- Officers join the PCC funding network to allow ATC to apply for up to £8,000 to establish a CSW group for Andover;
- Cllrs Neate and Walters lead on preparing the bid with officers in line with the CSW information pack at [Annex A](#) and share the bid with councillors before submitting to the PCC; and
- all councillors seek potential volunteers from their Wards to join the scheme.

Background:

In October, the Police and Crime Commissioner (PCC) Donna Jones [launched a £500,000 funding](#) initiative to reduce death and serious injuries on our roads. The Police Commissioner's Emerging Needs Fund is focused on road safety, which is one of her top priorities.

Advice:

The Council currently has 2 speed indicator devices (SIDS) located on a rota basis at 12 locations across Andover. The SIDS are now providing regular updates about speeding on Andover roads, supported by accurate data. For example, analysis of traffic along the Walworth Road in Downlands Ward shows that more than 14 vehicles travel at more than 46 mph with maximum speeds registered at 65mph, where the speed limit is 30mph. The Town Clerk is working to analyse data from more SID locations across Andover Wards.

The PCC funding offer includes bids of up to £8,000 for Community Speedwatch (CSW), which is an educational, rather than an enforcement scheme and is considered as the first-tier response to the speeding issues the Council has identified with the SIDS. CSW is a community driven initiative which allows the community to address the issue of speeding by becoming actively involved in road safety in partnership with the Police and others. In quarter 2 of 2025, CSW schemes issued 109 letters across the Test Valley area.

The application window for funding closes on 28 November at 3pm and officers have registered with the PCC for grant funding towards our traffic calming objectives.

Recommendations

The Town Clerk recommends that

- Officers join the PCC funding network to allow ATC to apply for up to £8,000 to establish a CSW group for Andover;
- Cllrs Neate and Walters lead on preparing the bid with officers in line with the CSW information pack at **Annex A** and share it with councillors before submitting to the PCC; and
- all councillors seek potential volunteers from their Wards to join the scheme.

Legal implications

The Council has the power to contribute financially to traffic calming schemes under the Local Government and Rating Act 1997, s30.

Budget implications

There may be a future budget implication, subject to Council approval, if the Council is successful in applying for funding, for example, for maintenance and storage; or for supplementing a scheme if the Council receives only a partial award.