

**Report from the South Cambs Parish and Police and Crime Commissioner.
Cllr Pradeep Susarla.**

The agenda was:

- 18:00 Welcome and housekeeping, Connie Anker
- 18:15 Introduction and Police and Crime Plan survey – Darryl Preston, PCC
- How Speed watch can keep your community safe and reduce harm – Matt Snow, Cambridgeshire Constabulary
- Stamping out Scammers as a community – Charlotte Homent, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Against Scams Partnership
- 19:00 Local issues- questions from councillors
- 20:00 Close

Welcome:

After the welcome intro by Connie Anker who is Communications and Engagement officer, there was a presentation by Darryl Preston, who was recently elected as PCC (Police and Crime Commissioner) for Cambridgeshire and Peterborough 2021-2024.

His background in his own words.

- Started in 1984, 1998 transferred to Cambs.
- A lot of investigative and detective work
- Policy officer at Westminster

Intro to PCC plan:

What does PCC do? -> preventing and cutting crime

His agenda:

- Tackle organized crime
- Road safety

5 pillars

- community priorities
- crime prevention
- supporting victims and witness
- ethical policing
- robust enforcement

Next, Matt Snow presented a PPT on community speed watch (this is shared and attached in this email)

- - Aim for his team to cut deaths to half by 2030 and to 0 by 2040. They did not share any numbers on current deaths.
- - Big part is working with the community
- - Community Speed watch:
- - no law enforcement, it's about education with the digital display to slow down
- - Will send an index number to the watcher and can send a letter to the driver
- - again, not enforceable
- - How to sign up? Min 3 volunteers (can be councillors as well), will be trained, sign indemnity, need scheme coordinator and POC.
- - parish council can buy "Community speed watch operates here", "slow down" metal road signs
- - Equipment that will be supplied:
- SID, MVAS (can be shared but heavy). More info in the PPT's

Next, presentation by Charlotte Homent, Cambridgeshire and Peterborough against Scams Partnership about "Stamping out Scammers as a Community"

- - generally, 70+ are victims of these scams but
- - they recently found that 20ish old's are also trapped in these scams
- - more info on in the PPT's

Questions:

- - The work involved in "Speed watch" is manual at the moment. They did agree that there is some advanced tech/automation in the market, but this is what they use at the moment.
- - Any support material for the Town council. They did mention they can come over and do presentations if there's enough interest.
- - I asked a specific question about as a new council, is there anything we can do/learn to keep not to increase crime? I did not get any satisfactory answer, but they mentioned again if needed/if there's enough interest they can do a presentation here

Recommendations from my side:

- - As we have a considerable number of younger families having babies/kids, its better we join the Speedwatch program. Residents on Heron Road I know personally they did bring about speeding on a couple of occasions in casual chat.
- Having said that, we do need a min of 3 volunteers, and as I mentioned above, it's manual work of 30 min each session (more details in PPT). We can have a meeting with Matt Snow to see if it's feasible and we have an interest.
- - Even if we don't join, having some signs will help slow down speeding.

Survey:

- Please take the survey at: <https://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/police-crime-plan-public-survey-2021/>
- There's an image of 5 pillars that Darryl mentioned in the survey.
- For general info: <https://www.cambridgeshire-pcc.gov.uk/>
- Questions for me:
- Please let me know if you have any questions about the meeting