# Otterburn Parish Council

# Northumbria Police

### **Community Speed Watch**

#### **What is Community Speed Watch?**

Community Speed Watch (CSW) aims to make motorists aware that the community will not tolerate speeding. It is about taking positive action, with local people working together to improve the safety and quality of life for everyone in the area.

Speeding is a concern for many people. CSW is one way of helping to address this concern.

The main objectives are to reduce speed to prevent collisions, improve the quality of life for people in the area and to raise public awareness of inappropriate speed.

CSW is just one way of addressing resident's concerns about speeding in their area. By enabling local volunteers to monitor speeds, they are able to take responsibility for helping improve life in their community.

#### How to become involved?

Local people are aware of the areas where speeding is a significant problem within their community.

If you have concerns over the speed some vehicles pass through the village and you are able to spare a couple of hours a month please initially contact the Parish Clerk, Martin Chilvers on either <code>otterburnpc@hotmail.co.uk</code> / 520535 to register your interest.

Training will be provided by Northumbria Police and assuming there is sufficient number of volunteers across Redesdale a commitment has been given the training will be held locally.

### **Should the Police not be doing this?**

The Neighbourhood Policing Team works closely with volunteers to help them do this and of course the help from volunteers means officers have more time to work on other initiatives.

A letter will be sent out to anybody recorded speeding.

If a driver is found to be speeding a number of times, police officers will visit the driver and further action may be taken.