



Whilst the introduction of 20mph speed zones was introduced by Lancashire County Council as the Highway Authority, I fully understand how the creation of these zones is leading to complaints of speeding.

However, in response to your question, it is considered that compliance with 20 mph speed limits will be achieved by the implementation of a speed management plan across Lancashire in partnership with the police. Measures include implementing sign only 20mph limits in all residential areas and outside all schools, and the development of Community Road Watch and Lancashire Road Watch.

The implementation of the 20mph speed limit programme will also allow authorities to engage with communities, partly through Community Road Watch but also through community groups, to help manage speed in the residential areas and improve opportunities for cycling and walking. Each police division has a dedicated team to manage Community Road Watch. Residents can volunteer to be part of Community Road Watch and can act as a visible presence monitoring speeds at sites of concern. Drivers who are found to be speeding will receive letters from the police and will be visited by an Officer if they are monitored speeding on three or more occasions.

In addition, as part of Lancashire Road Watch, the police have introduced a more flexible mobile enforcement regime for roads outside the residential areas in response to casualty patterns and customer concerns. The roads with the worst accident records in each district have been identified and mobile enforcement will be targeted at these lengths. Sites of concern that are raised by residents will also be assessed at monthly tasking meeting with the police and may also be subject to mobile or officer enforcement.

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