

**Proposal for purchase of a Speed Gun for the Community Speed Watch**

The Community Speed Watch in Walberswick is getting ready to begin training and to be active before the summer season. Whilst Suffolk Community Police can provide second hand, older speed guns and batteries from Norfolk police, they are encouraging new groups like Walberswick to consider purchasing the newer and easier to use speed guns that Suffolk Police and other Community Speed Watch (CSW) groups are using.

Tina Gaudoin, who is coordinating the Walberswick Community Speed Watch, has made a request to the WPC that we purchase this new speed gun for the group so that the group can train on it and use it from the start. The details, from the officer in charge of Community Policing, is as follows:

These new approved devices are the Bushnell Velocity Speed Guns. Currently they are available to purchase on Amazon and other outlets. Prices fluctuate from £170-£240. The cases are generally about £20. The great thing about these is that they run off C Cell Batteries so many of the issues groups have suffered with short battery life of the older speed guns would be a thing of the past. The new speed guns are also very light.

If a Parish purchases one of these new devices, they are immediately approved by the Police and do not require any cross checks for the first year. All of Norfolk CSW use these and reports have been very positive.

**PROPOSAL: IF WPC APPROVES, THE CLERK WOULD INVESTIGATE THE PURCHASE OF THE SPEED GUN AND BE DELEGATED TO MAKE THE PURCHASE UP TO A MAXIMUM OF £250 FOR THE SPEED GUN AND CASE. THE SPEED GUN WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE WPC ASSET REGISTER.**