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Avon and Somerset Constabulary
Headquarters
Portishead
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NOTICE OF EXCESS SPEED

**Exceeding the Permitted «SpeedLimit» Mph Speed Limit
Contrary to Section 81(1) and 89(1) Road Traffic Regulations Act 1984**

Dear Sir / Madam

RE: Registration number «VehRegistration»

The above vehicle was monitored by Community SpeedWatch as travelling at «Speed» mph in a «SpeedLimit» mph limit at «VehRoad», «VehLocation» at «IncidentTime» on «IncidentDate».

This is over the «SpeedLimit» mph speed limit for this area. The speed you were observed doing is classed as excessive and is not tolerated within Avon and Somerset.

The vehicle registration details and speed have been shared with our Speed Enforcement and Roads Policing Units who will be carrying out enforcement activity in this area.

Speeds at this level are too extreme to be dealt with through an educational speed awareness course and would result in fines of at least £100 and 3 penalty points following conviction. New guidelines recently issued to magistrates allow for more severe penalties to be imposed which can result in disqualification or fines of up to 150% of your weekly wage.

You need to know three things: speeding is not acceptable, it is not harmless, and we are increasingly using more sources of information to catch people driving dangerously, such as dashcam footage from other drivers.

1. Speeding is not acceptable

When the government asked the public what they thought about speeding in the National Travel Attitudes Survey, only a minority of people thought that exceeding the speed limit is safe. Most people in Britain also agreed that safety cameras save lives. By policing speed, we are enforcing something that matters to the public.

2. Speeding is not harmless

Nobody plans to crash their vehicle, yet hundreds of thousands of people do this every year. If you drive for long enough, sooner or later something will go wrong on one of your journeys. A major reason that speed limits exist is so that when the unexpected happens, the consequences are less serious – both for the people around you and for you yourself.

The faster someone is driving, the less time they have to stop if something unexpected happens and the more powerful a collision will be if they do not stop in time.

- Speed is one of the main factors in fatal road collisions
- The risk of death is approximately four times higher when a pedestrian is hit at 40mph than at 30mph
- Fatal collisions are four times as likely on rural “A” roads as urban “A” roads

3. If you speed, you could well be caught

As well as our fixed and mobile safety cameras, and our Community Speedwatch teams, you are also being watched by other drivers on the road. We receive hundreds of reports about dangerous driving from your fellow drivers. These days a lot of people have dashcams in their cars and provide us with the footage. This is successfully used to convict people who break the law on our roads. All this means that **we can't be everywhere, but we could be anywhere.**

Avon and Somerset Constabulary are committed to reducing the numbers of those killed and seriously injured through road collisions each year. We are working closely with Community SpeedWatch teams as well as other agencies and partners to achieve this. Reducing your speed will directly contribute to helping save lives and will improve the quality of life of people within the area.

If you were not the driver, or the vehicle is registered to a company, please pass this letter to the person who was driving. If you are no longer the Registered Keeper of this vehicle then please inform the DVLA you no longer have the vehicle.

Should you have received this letter in error please email: ***CSWLetters@avonandsomerset.police.uk***

Yours faithfully

«ContactName»

«ContactPosition»

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