

## County Council Meeting - 9 February 2023

# Question to Councillor David Williams Cabinet Member for Highways and Transport

## By Councillor Charlotte Atkins

#### Question

How many speed cameras are there on Staffordshire roads? What percentage of them contain live working cameras capable of detecting speeding offences? How often are the working cameras switched between different locations? What criteria are used to determine which locations will have live cameras?

#### Reply

The use of camera enforcement across Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent is managed through the Staffordshire Safer Roads Partnership, of which Staffordshire County Council is one of a number of members. Enforcement of speed cameras is the responsibility of Staffordshire Police.

Across the Staffordshire County Council area, there are 217 fixed cameras. The aim of fixed cameras, whether operational or not, is to encourage compliance with the speed limit to improve road safety. As such, the partnership does not make the status or number of individual cameras known publicly so that sites that are not in use can still provide a deterrence to speeding.

The use of fixed speed cameras has historically been prioritised based on the recent collision history of the location. This approach is currently being incorporated into an improvement programme which will consider upgrades to some older camera housings. This will increase the number of operational cameras and enable newer digital enforcement technology to be used. The improvement programme is being funded through the Staffordshire Safer Roads Partnership.