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Newsletter for September 2025

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Speeding

There have been several reports received recently of speeding in various parts of the village, including dangerous speeding along Newbury Lane/Dark Lane, especially to Newbury Works where small animals have been killed. It appears that the problem is worse during early evening. The Clerk explained that Autospeedwatch, did not record details during the dark hours. It was agreed that this would not be a helpful investment to address the issues in Coleford. It was agreed that a speed indicator device (SID) could be a worthy investment and the clerk would seek quotes for consideration.



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