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make road safety a priority
in Chilliwack.

Traffic Calming Tools



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The City of Chilliwack currently has a moratorium on traffic calming devices. Traffic calming devices can be described as speed bumps, speed humps, traffic circles, speed tables, raised intersections, and raised crosswalks.

The result of pilot projects in 2000 highlighted the disadvantages of installing traffic calming devices within local neighbourhoods.

Disadvantages:

- Emergency (Fire, Ambulance) response times are delayed because of the need to slow and safely maneuver the devices.
- Residents living in the neighbourhood of the devices expressed their level of discomfort when travelling over them on a daily basis.
- Snow removal disadvantages.
- Increase in traffic noise.
- Traffic diversion.

Other Options

Other options are available for raising driver's awareness and effecting driver behaviour.

- **Hey Neighbour, Slow Down! Campaign**
 - A toolkit for residents to inform motorists that driving fast is not acceptable on their local neighbourhood street.
 - Is an educational tool designed to encourage motorists to reduce speeds when travelling on local neighbourhood streets.

Speed Watch

- Is a partnership involving volunteer citizens, police and ICBC.
- Designed to help reduce speed related crashes by raising awareness of the actual speeds.
- Portable radar equipment and electronic digital display boards are used by the volunteers to monitor speeds.
- Advisory letters are mailed alerting registered owners that their vehicle was travelling in excess of the posted speed limit and are advised on the potential fine and points.

3-Strikes, You're Out! Campaign

- Coordinated effort including the Chilliwack RCMP Traffic Section, Speed Watch and Safer City.
- How the campaign works
 - Strike 1 = Posted speed limit.
 - Strike 2 = Speed Watch with their speed reader board displaying the driver's current speed.
 - Strike 3 = You're out! If the driver continues to speed, the RCMP will issue violation tickets.

RCMP Enforcement

- The Chilliwack RCMP Traffic Section address a full range of enforcement activities.
 - Speeding
 - Aggressive Driving
 - Impaired Driving
 - Seatbelt use
 - Other traffic offences