Speed warning sign in Budock Water



AFTER many years of frustration, vehicle activated speed warning signs have finally gone up in Budock Water.

When Cllr John Bastin first saw them in Suffolk he thought they would be ideal for tackling the speed of vehicles going through the village.

Now 20 years later it has finally happened with the computerised screens now put up along the road.

The project has been funded by both Budock Parish Council and a Highways grant from the Penryn and Falmouth Community Network Panel.

"Twenty or so years ago when I was still chair of Budock Parish Council," said Mr Bastin. "I saw one of these Vehicle Activated Speed warning devices in Suffolk. I can remember thinking to myself. 'I am sure that this would help with our attempting to control the speed through Budock Water village'.

"After many years of frustration at last it has happened.

"This device will offer a very powerful reminder to motorists that the Speed limit is 30 mph all the way through the village to Crill Corner."

"It is interesting to note that the 30 mph limit was introduced in 1934 with some clear evidence to support it."

However, he now says he is very much in favour of reducing the speed limit in villages and single-track roads to 20mph.

"The slogan I will be using is 'Twenty is Plenty' and the benefits of this speed limit are several.

"Road accidents currently costs a huge amount money every year. We need to improve both cardiovascular and mental health within our population.

"With the continuing threat of Climate Change, we also need to reduce emissions, encouraging people to both walk and cycle would provide an excellent opportunity to achieve this.

"I will be hoping to gain local support for Twenty is Plenty in the next few months not only in Budock but also Constantine, Mabe and Mawnan."