

Pavenham Parish Council Traffic Report, September 2025

Average Speed Camera Prosecutions

Apr '24	May '24	Jun '24	Jul '24	Aug '24	Sep '24	Oct '24	Jan '25	Feb '25	Mar '25
2	7	5	5	4	0	4	1	1	3

Information from Bedford Borough Council.

Pavenham Village Hall Speed Indicator – Sis Vario – 40mph speed limit

Eastbound Traffic - Period of Analysis – 1st July, 2025 – 31st July, 2025.

	Total	Up to 40mph	Below 47mph	Exceeding 46mph	Exceeding 50mph	Exceeding 60mph
No. Vehicles	35762	33226	35256	506	192	25
% Vehicles	100%	92.9%	98.6%	1.4%	0.5%	0.07%

Total number of vehicles exceeding 46mph in the month is 506, equivalent to just over 16/day.

Eastbound Traffic - Period of Analysis – 1st August, 2025 – 31st August, 2025.

	Total	Up to 40mph	Below 47mph	Exceeding 46mph	Exceeding 50mph	Exceeding 60mph
No. Vehicles	33811	31230	33306	505	191	18
% Vehicles	100%	92.4%	98.5%	1.5%	0.6%	0.05%

Total number of vehicles exceeding 46mph in the month is 505, equivalent to just over 16/day. N.B. this is similar to July.

Rolling Average of Speeding Vehicles/day

Apr '25	May '25	Jun '25	Jul '25	Aug '25
12	17	17	16	16

Close Road – Via Count

Period of Analysis - 1st July, 2025 - 31st July, 2025.

Eastbound Traffic – Heading towards Bedford

	Total	Up to 40mph	Below 47mph	Exceeding 46mph	Exceeding 50mph	Exceeding 60mph
Vehicles	31007	18057	27050	3957	1723	199
% Vehicles	100%	58.2%	87.2%	12.8%	5.6%	0.6%

Westbound Traffic – Heading towards Pavenham village

	Total	Up to 40mph	Below 47mph	Exceeding 46mph	Exceeding 50mph	Exceeding 60mph
Vehicles	2429	1514	2141	288	136	22
% Vehicles	100%	62.35	88.1%	11.9%	5.6%	0.9%

Period of Analysis – 1st August, 2025 – 31st August, 2025.

Eastbound Traffic – Heading towards Bedford

	Total	Up to 40mph	Below 47mph	Exceeding 46mph	Exceeding 50mph	Exceeding 60mph
Vehicles	30060	14415	25129	4931	2300	283
% Vehicles	100%	48%	83.6%	16.4%	7.7%	0.9%

Westbound Traffic – Heading towards Pavenham village

	Total	Up to 40mph	Below 47mph	Exceeding 46mph	Exceeding 50mph	Exceeding 60mph
Vehicles	1906	1070	1640	266	117	17
% Vehicles	100%	56.1%	86.0%	14.0%	6.1%	0.9%

The figures for westbound vehicles heading towards Pavenham look understated. This is probably due to the speed monitor being too low down as there is no available mounting pole with sufficient height. Although an attempt has been made to alter the geometry of the sensor to compensate for this, it would appear to be inadequate.

For eastbound traffic the level of speeding at over 16% of vehicles is concerning, particularly as Close Road is residential and speeds of up to 90mph have been recorded.

Dave Smith, 1st September, 2025