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People for Proper Policing in North Wales

N. Wales tops Britain's speeding fine list Jun 26 2007

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MORE speeding fines are issued per head of population in North Wales than anywhere else in the UK, according to a study.

Figures released under the Freedom of Information Act show that **North Wales Police fined speeding motorists a total of £3,963,000 in the 2005/6 financial year.**

The average cost to the 681,000 population of North Wales would be £5.82 per head - 62 pence more than the next most expensive force area of Bedfordshire.

The lowest yield for fines per head of population is in Merseyside, where the average price would be just 80p per person. The figure is only £2.67 for bordering Mid and South Wales who have joined to form the Safety Camera Partnership. Just over the border in England the figures are only £2.01 in Cheshire, £1.39 in Greater Manchester, £2.41 in West Mercia and £1.11 in the West Midlands. In London it is only £1.26.

The PPP comments the North Wales Speed camera operators, Arrive Alive are probably the worst Road Safety ‘partnership’ in the UK. Note the gross misuse of the friendly word partnership to describe what is really an unholy alliance. To see how pitiful they really are, go to their website at www.arrivealive.org.uk. Here their obsession with ONLY speed cameras is clear and practically all the data is years out of date (mainly because the results are so bad and their frequent distorted stats & downright lies would otherwise be obvious.)

Almost 100% of their mobile camera sites are abusive in the sense that they abused the 3 km rule and used the deviously modified speed zones/limits to maximum their income. Also, **probably 30% of their sites/procedures are also illegal for one or more of many reasons.** On many occasions they have ignored notices from the councils that their activities are illegal and carried on prosecuting motorists. Their fixed camera sites and overall performance have been thoroughly appraised by **the ABD** and for their conclusions go to .. . www.abd.org.uk/ and click on **Local issues** and then **North Wales** for a mine of precise information.

The PPP members are happy and prepared to debate REAL road safety issues at anytime, in any place with REAL police officers, politicians, councillors and the media etc. LIKEWISE for ANY other issues involving community policing.