## Speeding - highest in Edinburgh recorded on Stenhouse Road

The highest speeding offence recorded in Edinburgh was on Stenhouse Road according to information gathered from a Freedom of Information (FOI) request. An offender was caught driving a vehicle there at 93 mph.

The highest speed recorded in a 70mph limit was 142mph at Haddington.

Police Scotland advised the worst speeding offences according to speed limit and others included:

The highest speed recorded in a 40mph limit was 95mph on the A92/North Anderson Drive in Aberdeen.

The highest speed recorded in a 50mph limit was 112mph recorded by an average speed camera on the A90 from Stonehaven to Dundee.

The highest speed recorded in a 60mph limit was 148mph on the A68 at Soutra Hill near to east entrance of Dunlaw Wind Farm in the Scottish Borders.

Alex Cole-Hamilton, Scottish Liberal Democrat leader, said: "These figures show that despite the deadly toll that dangerous driving can impose, there are still people who are

blasting along like a bat out of hell.

"Pets have been killed, residents disturbed and communities left feeling helpless, as if they have no other option than to put up with this racing.

"Speed cameras are all well and good, but they need to be backed up by a visible police presence and a strategy for tackling antisocial driving.

"Nobody should have to suffer the misery caused by dangerous and antisocial driving. It's time the Scottish Government used the powers of our parliament and Scottish local authorities to work together towards a lasting solution."

In Scotland in 2023 5,788 road casualties were reported and of these, there were 155 fatalities, 1,930 people were seriously injured and 3,703 people were slightly injured.

Mr Cole-Hamilton previously raised the issue of <u>antisocial</u> <u>driving</u> with John Swinney at First Minister's Questions in September. The MSP for Edinburgh Western has <u>called for work</u> <u>to be done</u> to investigate whether councils can be given powers to install and operate speed cameras in their areas so that communities are empowered to help tackle antisocial driving.



Alex Cole Hamilton addressing a public meeting in South Queensferry about "boy racers"