

Proposed Restricted Roads (20mph Limit) (Scotland) Bill

Page 2: About you

Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?

an individual

Which of the following best describes you? (If you are a professional or academic, but not in a subject relevant to the consultation, please choose "Member of the public".)

Member of the public

Please select the category which best describes your organisation

No Response

Please choose one of the following; if you choose the first option, please provide your name or the name of your organisation as you wish it to be published.

I would like this response to be anonymous (the response may be published, but no name)

Please insert your name or the name of your organisation. If you choose the first option above, this should be the name as you wish it to be published. If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

Please provide details of a way in which we can contact you if there are queries regarding your response. Email is preferred but you can also provide a postal address or phone number. We will not publish these details.

Page 7: Your views on the proposal

Q1. Which of the following best expresses your view of the proposal to replace the current 30mph default speed limit on restricted roads with a 20mph limit.

Fully Supportive

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Please explain the reasons for your response

I am a pedestrian who uses walking as transport (as well as public transport) and it is becoming more dangerous. Motorists need to slow down.

Q2. Could the aims of this proposal be better delivered in another way (without a Bill in the Scottish Parliament)?

No

Please explain the reasons for your response

Without a bill it would be piecemeal - as it is now - and motorists will need to be 'forced' into it.

Q3. What do you think would be the main advantages, if any, of the proposal?

1. Safety. There's an ageing population who need time to cross roads, even with zebra crossing and green man. (70 year old killed in Davidson's Mains yesterday)
2. Health. People might walk more if safer. Pedestrians spend more so good for the economy.
3. Emissions. Who knows, if walking or cycling became safer and more pleasant then there might be fewer journeys made by car and emissions would fall.

Q4. What do you think would be the main disadvantages, if any, of the proposal?

No disadvantages - except the moaning and groaning of motorists.

Q5. What other measures do you think would be needed to maximise compliance with the new national 20mph speed limit on restricted roads, for example in relation to advertising signage and police enforcement.

More of both. I live on a 20 mph road and the signs are small and motorists don't care. No policing. Me glaring at cars does not work! Some money will need to be spent but that is not a disadvantage.

Page 12: Financial implications

Q6. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have?

	Significant increase in cost	Some increase in cost	Broadly cost-neutral	Some reduction in cost	Significant reduction in cost	Unsure
Scottish Government		X				

Q6. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have?

Local Authorities		X				
Motorists			X			
Other			X			
Police Scotland						

Please explain the reasons for your response

Whilst there may be an initial increase in cost there will be long term savings in NHS, etc

Q7. Do you believe there will be any other benefits to reducing the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph?

Long term - health, emissions, etc

Page 14: Equalities

Q8. What overall impact is the proposed Bill likely to have on the following protected groups (under the Equality Act 2010): race, disability, sex, gender re-assignment, age, religion and belief, sexual orientation, marriage and civil partnership, pregnancy and maternity?

Slightly positive

Please explain the reasons for your response

Beneficial to older and disabled people.

Q9. Could any negative impact of the proposed Bill on any of these protected groups be minimised or avoided?

No.

Page 16: Sustainability of the proposal

Q10. Do you consider that the proposed Bill can be delivered sustainably i.e. without having likely future disproportionate economic, social and/or environmental impact?

Yes

Please explain the reasons for your response:

It's not a huge change. It's not a car ban or a congestion charge.

Page 17: General

Q11. Do you have any other comments or suggestions on the proposal to establish a 20mph default speed limit on restricted roads?

It will need policed or motorists will just ignored it.