

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.

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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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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 want streets to be safer for pedestrians and cyclists and slower speeds is a very practical, cost effective way to achieve this.

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

Unsure

Please explain the reasons for your response

Not sure of the alternative options but I would imagine that if it is law then it can be enforced and drivers will therefore have to do it.

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

People would feel safer to walk more, cycle more. Especially older people and families. More people active means better mental physical and social health for all.

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

There would be no disadvantages

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.

On run up to implementation it's important to have a good communication and consultation period with the public so people can understand why it's a good thing and what the benefits are. City of Edinburgh Council have done a really good job of this. Clear signage essential as is police enforcement.

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			
Local Authorities			X			

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

Motorists				X		
Other			X			
Police Scotland						

Please explain the reasons for your response

Motorists would save money on fuel from driving more slowly More people walking and cycling and being physically active would mean less burden on health and social services in longer term Costs of communications and signage not significant

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

Possibly less air pollution if vehicles are moving slower and more smoothly

More tourism and economic benefits from slower speeds and more pedestrians

If drivers don't like it, perhaps they may consider public transport instead and result in fewer cars on the road

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?

Positive

Please explain the reasons for your response

Better health and environment for all regardless of these being part of these protected groups

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

There would be no negative impact

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

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Please explain the reasons for your response:

It will have beneficial positive economic, social and environmental impacts

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?

I am supportive of 20mph on roads in all built up areas.