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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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

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.

Please explain the reasons for your response

In the town where we live, a 2 year old girl was killed, after being struck by a car. She was walking on a pavement with her siblings when this happened. If there was a 20mph limit this wouldn't have happened. Do not let another innocent child be a victim - something needs to be done quickly. The council have put a 20mph limit in since this happened, but only before and after school times. There is a popular park in this area so it should be 20mph all the time. There should also be a section of 40mph limits first, then 30mph and then 20mph as cars are not slowing down in time.

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

Unsure

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

To protect everyone in the community.

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

None.

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.

The signage that shows your speed seem to be quite effective. It would certainly also need police enforcement.

Since the accident in our town, we have two police dummies in situ. These have proved very effective. The police also speed trap in the same area.

As mentioned before there would need to be a 40mph as you approach towns, then 30mph so that people are actually going at 20mph when they reach the signage.

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 |
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| Scottish Government | х | | | | | |

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

| Local Authorities | Х | | | |
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| Motorists | | Х | | |
| Other | | | | |
| Police Scotland | | | | |

Please explain the reasons for your response

There will be increases in cost for Scottish Government and Local Authorities, however you cannot put a price on protecting the young and elderly from speeding motorists. Our town has lost a 2 year old girl due to this. No other family should have to suffer in the same way.

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

No Response

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?

Neutral (neither positive nor negative)

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

No Response

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

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?

Let's make it happen.