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 am content for this response to be attributed to me or my organisation
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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.
Sarah Humphris
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

Scotland's towns and cities have become dangerous places for pedestrians and cyclists. There needs to be change in order to make our country safer, cleaner and a place where children and adults can walk and cycle in safety.

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

No

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

Fewer road related injuries and fatalities. Encourage more people to walk or cycle.

Less noise pollution!

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

Could it increase emissions? It could cause more traffic build up, however that in turn may force people to consider active travel.

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.

There would (sadly) be a need for enforcement. Police presence/cameras, signage on road surfaces as well as freestanding.

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		Х				
Local Authorities		Х				
Motorists			Х			
Other						

Q6. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have?
Police Scotland
Q7. Do you believe there will be any other benefits to reducing the speed limit from 30mph to 20mph?
It may encourage people to choose sustainable travel options
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age 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
age 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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age 17: General
Q11. Do you have any other comments or suggestions on the proposal to establish a 20mph default speed limit on restricted roads?