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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

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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

Please explain the reasons for your response

I live in a little Borders village on the A702 trunk road. Cars, lorries and juggernauts speed through the village and I think that a radical change to 20 mph would make our village a safer, healthier and more pleasant place to live.

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

Legislation is the only way for safety issues to be taken seriously. In addition lorries and juggernauts speed would be monitored if it were a legal requirement.

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

Safer roads, fewer accidents, less pollution

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

Drivers not keeping to the restrictions

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 speed warning signs to indicate speed At which drivers are moving. Increased police enforcement of speed limits Public involved in monitoring speed of traffic Increased advertising making speeding an issue of shame rather than bravado or machismo Increased road bumps that create a noise to alert drivers to their speed Traffic Islands to sway vehicles to slow down More by passes A proper trunk road for A702 to stop motorist frustration driving on a road that is not suitable for their needs - speed and ability to access motorways

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						
Police Scotland						

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

Fewer accidents, increased confidence of pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders

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

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?

No Response