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)
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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. V	Vhich	of the f	ollowing b	est ex	presses	your	view o	of the	proposal	to r	eplace	the cui	rrent 3	30mph	default
speed	d limit	on rest	tricted roa	ds with	n a 20mp	h lim	it.								

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

I live on a road, Bogsbank Road, West Linton, with a 30mph limit but cars stil race along, although there is a playpark at one end of it, many cyclists and children. 20mph supported by speed bumps would encourage drivers to reduce their speed. Both myself and my husband have had near misses on this road.

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

I think it would have to be legally enforceable to have any effect.

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

Safety for children, pedestrians and cyclists.

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

I can't think of any.

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.

As well as signage and enforcement, speed bumps would maximise compliance.

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									
Please explain the reasons for your response Local authorities would, I assume, be responsible for putting up signs and traffic calming measures.									

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

Perhaps people would consider using public transport more.

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)

Please explain the reasons for your response

It benefits all.

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

I'm not aware of any 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

Please explain the reasons for your response:

It would improve the environment and be good socially too. Economically it would be neutral.

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 can only be a good thing for our towns and villages, increasing safety and making them more pleasant places to live.