

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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

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Please explain the reasons for your response

I live in Dumbreck, a few hundred yards from the site of a fatal accident. However whenever I walk along Nithsdale Road today, I feel nothing has changed. Many of Glasgow's roads are wide due to the termination of tram services, and this results in traffic exceeding speed limits on a regular occurrence. I work in intensive care and have seen first hand the effects that road traffic accidents can have on individuals and their families. I feel that the police and local communities are limited in their ability to prevent dangerous driving, and for that reason a 20 mph speed limit would help prevent accidents and make roads safer for all road users.

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

Further to my previous response. The excessive number of speeding motorists will only be reduced by financial disincentive or prosecution. Currently it is beyond the ability of police to address this issue

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

Reducing fatalities, making roads safer for pedestrians, cyclists and motorists

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

Enforcing a 20 mph limit in all proposed areas

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.

Speed cameras, chicanes and other such road modification

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				

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

Local Authorities		X				
Motorists			X			
Other				X		
Police Scotland						

Please explain the reasons for your response

Other group being reduction in fatalities and increase in types of other road users i.e. Non motorists

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

A reduction to 20mph will encourage safer driving, with decisions made at slower speeds and causing less concertina effect and thus less traffic!

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?

Unsure

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

Pass

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?

No

Please explain the reasons for your response:

I think it will encourage non motorists to use these forms of transport

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?

Great idea