

# Proposed Restricted Roads (20mph Limit) (Scotland) Bill

## Page 2: About you

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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

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## 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**

My children often walk or cycle to school. There are a lot of cars around as there are 2 school every close to each other and ours has nearly 400 on the roll. Parking around both schools is often unsafe despite appeals to parent. Anything that potentially deters parents from driving right up to school and makes walking or cycling safer as options seems very sensible. There are alternative routes and having to slow down near school night deer non- school traffic to go elsewhere at 9am and 3pm.

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'd like to think we could reach a local policy with the local council but doubt it could be enforced.

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

fewer cars around school.  
Less risk of accident.

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

Police time being taken up trying to enforce it.  
parents becoming angry and parking in even stupider places because they're running late.

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.

Very clear information in local press and around school.  
Information to parents sent by school.

## 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?

<b>Local Authorities</b>		X				
<b>Motorists</b>			X			
<b>Other</b>						
<b>Police Scotland</b>						

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

It seems very simple- change the signs to 20 and fine people who don't comply- doesn't sound expensive, but somehow it always is.

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

I think the children would want this. It would show them that parents listen to them. I know from my own that the children find illegal parking and speeding around the school annoying. They're pretty unforgiving! Then have a junior road safety committee and feel nobody listens to them. I have been hit from being ( car written off ) at 3pm outside then other primary school by a young driver spend around a corner- fortunately during school holidays. he was unrepentant, which was annoying. It is a genuine problem.

## 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**

Traffic rules apply to every driver regardless of belief or orientation at present. this would no alter that. No exceptions or special consideration is necessary. The schools are not en route to a hospital police or fire station so "blue light traffic" is very rare. There is a sheltered housing complex very near our school but reducing traffic speed around elderly people who don't always hear, see or walk well is surely a good thing for them too.

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

see previous 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

**Please explain the reasons for your response:**

New signs or speedbumps may be need but should last and outlay thereafter is about enforcement (although parking isn't currently well enforces so I assume there are not the reduces for that)

## 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.  
I think it is a good policy.