

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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 had an accident in my 20's where I hit a 5 year old boy in my car. He survived because I was driving under the speed limit. Having a 20mph limit makes people think twice about the way they drive, it's a good reminder to drive more carefully when in built up areas.

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?

Safer environment for pedestrians (young and old). Environmental benefit as less emissions when driving slowly.

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

Implementation, will there be real consequences? If not, drivers will ignore

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.

Plenty advertising of the change beforehand.
Good, clear signage reminding drivers they're in a 20mph zone.
Police presence in the early days and weeks, issuing warnings initially with on the spot fines coming into force within a reasonable time

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				
Local Authorities		X				
Motorists				X		
Other			X			

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

Police Scotland						
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Please explain the reasons for your response

Replacing signs and road markings. Additional police staff.

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

Less noise pollution

Might encourage more people to enjoy a walk

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

I don't see a change in speed limit as being an equality issue

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

N/A

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 can only be good for society that we start driving with more consideration for others and our environment

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