

# 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.

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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

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**

Better for road safety and making places better for walking and cycling.

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**

National law will make it more consistent for everyone.

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

Road safety, help improve environment for walking/cycling, quicker/more likely to happen across country and easier/cheaper for councils to implement (than piecemeal approach up to now).

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

May not be enforced everywhere and probably moaning from some petrolheads/business/car lobby (but think they'd get used to it like folk did with smoking ban).

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.

Public information/social marketing campaign. Signs/markings between 30mph and 20mph road. Regular police initiatives along lines of drink driving.

## 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?

<b>Police Scotland</b>						
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**Please explain the reasons for your response**

National ad campaign may have some cost in first few years. Councils should save time/money not having to do so many signs/markings and traffic orders. Don't think it will affect cost of motoring much - may be slightly cheaper if 20mph is more economical? NHS should save money if there's reduction in road collisions (ambulance/hospital treatment).

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

Could encourage some more people to walk or cycle if environment seems a bit more civilised. May reduce traffic noise/pollution slightly.

## 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

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

Should help disabled people and older people crossing road and help reduce collisions. Should help parents and young children get around more safely too.

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

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

After some initial cost it should be sustainable.

## 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?

I'm glad it's proposed and hope it becomes law.