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

#### Page 2: About you

| Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?  |
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| an individual   |
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| 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".)  |
| Professional with experience in a relevant subject  |
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| Please select the category which best describes your organisation   |
| No Response   |
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| 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 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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published. |
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| Please provide details of a way in which we can contact you if there are queries regarding your response.<br>Email is preferred but you can also provide a postal address or phone number. We will not publish these details.                             |
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# Page 7: Your views on the proposal

| Q1.۱ | Which   | of the | followir | ig best | expres   | ses y | our/  | view | of the | proposal | to | replace | the o | current | 30mph | default |
|------|---------|--------|----------|---------|----------|-------|-------|------|--------|----------|----|---------|-------|---------|-------|---------|
| spee | d limit | on res | stricted | roads   | with a 2 | 0mp   | h lim | it.  |        |          |    |         |       |         |       |         |

Fully opposed

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

Car's today have so much technology to keep the driver, passengers and pedestrians safe, that a reduction in speed would cause older vehicles without these driver aids at a much higher risk of crashing. This would be due the driver constantly looking at their speedometer rather than the road ahead! Further to this, it has been scientifically proven that slower speeds actually increase greenhouse gases emitted from petrol and diesel vehicles. This proposition is frankly stupid, and no one would get anywhere on time. Especially in areas where congestion is already a major problem at peak times.

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?

No Response

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

Higher risk of crashes - meaning more tax payer money is being spent on non-beneficial things

Higher emissions - causing more damage to our environment around us

Driver road rage will increase - causing point 1.

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.

No Response

#### 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<br>cost-<br>neutral | Some reduction in cost | Significant reduction in cost | Unsure |
|------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|-------------------------------|--------|
| Scottish<br>Government | Х                            |                       |                             |                        |                               |        |

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

| Local<br>Authorities | × |  |  |  |
|----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Motorists            | X |  |  |  |
| Other                | Х |  |  |  |
| Police<br>Scotland   |   |  |  |  |

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

No there is not

#### 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?

Negative

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?

No

## 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 Response