

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 am content for this response to be attributed to me or my organisation

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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

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Please explain the reasons for your response

Having watched and suffered the completely botched 20mph areas within Edinburgh this is a complete waste of money in a time of austerity. I have never understood why everyone needs to be secondary to minority groups such as cyclists. They are the most arrogant , two faced people I have ever had the misfortune to come across. If they were properly controlled and laws enforced the roads would be safer for everyone including themselves. Enforcement of proper clothing, insurance, testing (of user and machine) and registration plates would be a far more efficient way of achieving objectives. No doubt it will be raised that it is impractical to enforce such laws but when has this been a good reason not to do the right thing! The apathy of Edinburgh police speaks volumes . Please spend your time on real work rather than trying to obtain publicity on the current hot PC issue.

Q2. Could the aims of this proposal be better delivered in another way (without a Bill in the Scottish Parliament)?

Please explain the reasons for your response

It should be delivered irrespective of the methodology

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

Getting Mr Ruskell publicity

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

Few if any

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.

It shouldn't be implemented but clearly Police Scotland do not support it

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					

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

Other	X					
Police Scotland						

Please explain the reasons for your response

Policing, advertising, education has got to increase costs to local authorities and the motorists as the Scottish Govt will implement change but not accept the costs. Why don't the supposed beneficiaries make a contribution?

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

all are negative benefits

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

Using the buzz words again to justify something it does relate to

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

Why is this relevant when there are far more important considerations?

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:

Already explained

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?

Why are all the questioned weighted to the 20 limit? Democracy is about freedom of choice and open mindedness. I assume that Mr Ruskell's seat is under pressure for this piece of nonsense. If I was one of his constituents I would want to represent the real issues facing Scotland