

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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

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**Please explain the reasons for your response**

a 20 mph speed limit will increase emissions in already polluted area's, cars need to be in lower gears to be able to drive slower and this will mean engine revs will be the same as a vehicle travelling at 30 in a different gear, but because speeds will be lower then more exhaust fumes will be present in the air. also why are the drivers being penalised with slower speeds, more traffic lights, crossing and speed bumps etc, surely the answer is to educate the pedestrian that is the root cause of most accidents by jay walking on the roads? for years the limit has been 30 mph and this was with cars that had old braking systems and more robustly built, now we have better cars with pedestrian friendly bodywork we feel the need to slow cars down, can't see the logic in that. keep it at 30 and teach pedestrians road knowledge.

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

Unsure

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

no advantages i can see

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

increased pollution, more drivers being convicted of traffic offences which will clog up the courts, more road rage from impatient drivers , public transport taking longer to get to anywhere due to reduced speeds.

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.

unsure

## 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?

<b>Other</b>						
<b>Police Scotland</b>						

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

cost for all signs to be changed will be huge, local authorities would need more money to pay for increased staff hours due to taking longer to complete driving duties , i.e, binmen rounds time will increase. increased air pollution would need to be monitored also motorists will have increased fuel bills due to having to use lower gears to drive at 20,

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

no benefit

## 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**

what has gender or ethnic origin got to do with a speed limit ?

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

get real

## 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:**

going to cost thousands to change over and it wont reduce accidents and most likely drivers will ignore any reduction anyway as who is going to police the roads to that extent ?

## 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?

leave it at thirty and spend the money on health service or schools.  
thank you.