

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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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".)

No Response

Please select the category which best describes your organisation

Third sector (charitable, campaigning, social enterprise, voluntary, non-profit)

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

St Abbs Community Council

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

St Abbs is a small fishing village which has narrow roads that are two way and windy, the harbour road is steep and with blind corners, which in the past has caused accidents. With the road being narrow and lacking pavements in some places it is a danger to drivers and pedestrians alike, reducing the speed from 30mph to 20mph will make walking around the village safer and less threatening.

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

Yes (if so, please explain below)

Please explain the reasons for your response

Give the community the option to enforce the reduction in the speed limit if they wish as long as they get the backing of the Council and Scottish Parliament.

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

Safer in small villages/towns like St Abbs.

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

None.

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 notices with enough time for the public to hear about the changes.

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

All that it needed it for the 30mpg signage to be replaced by 20mph signage, so it would only be the cost of the new signs and the Council's time and labour.

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

If it is made national, drivers would know to stick to the new limit, well most would.

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

Please explain the reasons for your response

Treat everyone as equals.

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

The should be no negative impact.

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:

Wear and Tear to vehicles and being able to stop quicker in avoiding potential dangers.

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?

Should have be thought of sooner.