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

Page 2: About you

Are you responding as an individual or on behalf of an organisation?
on behalf of an organisation
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
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Stow Community Council and Stow Road Safety Campaign, Scottish Borders
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

Please explain the reasons for your response It will be safer for all.

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?

Improved road safety for all pedestrians and road users including children, older people and those with special needs.

Better quality of life for all local residents.

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

Motorists may feel it takes longer to get places but I think the changes would add less time than expected to journey times.

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.

Speed cameras.

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		Х				
Local Authorities		Х				
Motorists			Х			
Other			Х			

Q6. Taking account of both costs and potential savings, what financial impact would you expect the proposed Bill to have?										
Police Scotland										
Please explain the reasons for your response I think a 20mph speed limit is the most cost-effective way to improve road safety in residential areas.										

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

Yes many but mainly better safety for pedestrians and all road users and better quality of life for residents.

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

There will be better safety on the roads and quality of life for all.

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

I don't think so no.

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:

I think it is a very cost effective way to improve road safety in the short and long term.

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 do hope that it is successful as I think it would be fantastic.