

# 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*

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Other (e.g. clubs, local groups, groups of individuals, etc.)

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

Mark Whelan, Chair Person, Palnackie Primary Parent 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

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**Please explain the reasons for your response**

Our school does not have a footpath all the way to the school, also children often have to go into the road due to parked cars and/or vans outside premises on the road to the school. Also the local haulage company has its main depot on the school road, so there is frequent lorry traffic.

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

No

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

We feel there are many schools like ourselves where the 20mph limit would be beneficial and believe it should be statutory that this is the case outside all schools rather than relying on the whims of local councils.

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

To reduce speed of traffic outside all schools, reducing risk to children.

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.

All schools should have clear 20MPH signage from all approach directions, also more signage close to schools, our own case has a 30MPH sign but at some distance from the school.

Random checks by police would be useful also to enforce the limits.

## 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				

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

<b>Local Authorities</b>		X				
<b>Motorists</b>			X			
<b>Other</b>		X				
<b>Police Scotland</b>						

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

There will presumably be cost implications for signage, road markings, and police support, however these should be relatively minor, and virtually no further cost post implementation.

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

Other than reduced risk to children, no significant other 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?

Positive

**Please explain the reasons for your response**

Increased safety for children, mothers and expectant mothers who regularly travel to/from schools.

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

We do not perceive it would have 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:**

As stated previously, we do not foresee significant costs issues post implementation, the environmental

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impact should be negligible, and social impact can only be to the better for the groups targeted by this for protection.

## 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?

We fully support the proposal and hope it can be implemented as soon as possible.