

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

Page 2: About you

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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

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.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

Cars drive too fast and it is not always easy to cross the road.

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

Unsure

Please explain the reasons for your response

I am unsure!

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

Less accidents.

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

I can't think of 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.

I am not sure.

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			
Other						X
Police Scotland						

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

Please explain the reasons for your response

Presumably there will have to be new signs and some sort of publicity campaign but I would not have thought this should be "significant".

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

Maybe it will make motorists more considerate.

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

I believe there will be a positive impact for the elderly, the disabled and for people with young children. Probably for women in the later stages of pregnancy too as it should make it easier for them to cross the road. I cannot see any impact on the other groups.

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

I don't see any 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:

There will be initial costs but after signage and a publicity campaign there should not be further costs.

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?

Possibly going off at a tangent here but I wish motorists would use their indicators. For some reason they seem to have stopped doing this. It is difficult crossing the road at a crossroads if you do not know which way the cars are going. I have been honked at and shouted at for crossing a road when a car has turned without indicating because I naively assumed that a car which was not indicating it was going to turn would not turn but in fact had turned!