

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".)

Professional with experience in a relevant subject

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

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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

I live in a small village outside of Inverness (Balloch) we currently have a 30mph speed limit and given the amount of young children we have in the community a 20mph would make it safer for them as well as the local residents.

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?

Safer for children in our community

It is proven that if someone is hit by a vehicle going at 20mph they are more likely to survive / and or have less injuries

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

I don't see their being a disadvantage other than people complaining about the reduction in the limit

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.

Police enforcement is seriously lacking in our local community and there have been a number of near misses on our zebra crossing with people who are going far to fast to be able to slow down / or have a total lack of respect for those who are trying to cross.

There is no reason why people should not be aware of the limit with ample signage and police presence in the early days, you'll soon slow down once you've been caught once. Digital signage which makes you aware of your speed should be maximised on restricted roads to help drive awareness.

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				

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

Motorists			X			
Other			X			
Police Scotland						

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

I think safety should be the main 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

The impact on these groups is minimal, as it is for motorists. The biggest and most important fact is the positive impact it can have on safety - protected groups make no difference to this and have the same benefits as those outwith this group.

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

I don't see a 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

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?

No Response