

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 would like this response to be anonymous (the response may be published, but no name)

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

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.

Partially supportive

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Please explain the reasons for your response

I still think there are others factors to be considered. St.Andrews for example. The extension of the 20mph zone in Hepburn Gardens.

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?

Again, I strongly believe every road is different. I fully agree roads in the vicinity of a school should have a 20mph zone. However I do not believe a 20 zone for restricted roads is required.

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

I do believe it encourages drivers to overtake the drivers that are driving to the speed limit. Thus causing driver aggression.

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.

In a lot of restricted roads, there are very little reminders that it is a 30 zone. If the change was to go ahead, there will be a requirement of more signage.
Do our police officers not have enough and more important duties within their role?

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						

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

Police Scotland						
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Please explain the reasons for your response

There will be vehicles struggle to maintain the 20 mph in 3rd gear, due to labouring. Therefore the vehicle will need to be in 2nd gear to keep below 20mph. This will result in higher revs, more emissions being burned, which equals more fuel costs.

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

NO

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

I can't see why it would be any different for the protected groups.

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

Irrelevant

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?

No

Please explain the reasons for your response:

It may have an environmental impact. More emissions being burned whilst higher revving in low gears.

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