

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

Page 2: About you

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Member of the public

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St. Andrew's RC Primary School 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

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

It will reduce pollution, it will make our roads safer and slower encouraging everyone to walk or cycle more. Reduce stress on the road for all road users, and slow drivers down as in a 30 mph zone 80% of drivers do go over the limit then sit too close to your bumper when you are behaving in keeping inside the mph limit. Reduce bumper to bumper driving. It will slow parents/carers down around schools with it already being 20 mph zone, drivers do not automatically do so near our school and only on certain roads. It might help everyone slow down their pace of life - reducing stress and the need to get their now!

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

unsure how to get this bill through, could it be part of the other bill to stop parking on the pavement and near bus stops!

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

Saving lives, reducing pollution and making our roads safer.

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

Running late and factoring in the reduced speed when travelling, there are apps aplenty that can calculate your journey time, getting smarter when travelling.

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.

Advertisements in paper and television, social media making everyone know the rule change. Education in schools to children who can be the best enforcers to parents/carers.

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?

Local Authorities		X				
Motorists				X		
Other				X		
Police Scotland						

Please explain the reasons for your response

Both the Scottish Government would have to apply the bill if successful resulting in all the work towards getting the bill passed then the work of getting the Local Authorities to budget in the signage and bumps/ramps. The governing of the new 20mph zones by Police Scotland and the extra paperwork generated from drivers learning the new 20mph zones law. Motorists and Others cost should reduce as a lower mph should reduce stop/start in towns keeping a steady flow of all roads. Motorists make decide to walk more. Other less pollution means less building erosion, less trips to the hospital for pollution related illness.

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

Scotland gets fitter, taking up walking and cycling as our road sides become safer to use - less pollution making it pleasant to walk without breathing in vile car pollution.

Scotland de-stresses I personally find my journey to nursery/school pick-up stressful and it is only 3.5 miles in the car, mainly due to the drivers who don't slow down, take unnecessary risks and try to bully you to go faster by driving bumper to bumper. If the urban roads mph was reduced it would encourage better driving all round, reducing stress on both sides of the fence.

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

All the above protected groups will benefit in the bill as any road accident/death doesn't discriminate.

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

Not sure.

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:

If the Bill is successful then all urban areas become 20mph zones it would take a will to get use to for all drivers used to buzzing around but once imbedded into our way of life. Take the smoking ban and the back lash from that and yet no-one could imagine pubs/restaurants with smokers in them today. This Bill for me is a step in the right direction.

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