

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

Please select the category which best describes your organisation

Third sector (charitable, campaigning, social enterprise, voluntary, non-profit)

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

Longridge 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

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Please explain the reasons for your response

Children need to cross roads and walk alongside them even outside the areas immediately surrounding schools

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

Councils presumably already have the power to designate roads with 20 mph speed limits and are choosing not to do so other than adjacent to schools.

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

Safer roads for children and adults. The lower speed limit would reduce actual driving speeds even if not right down to 20 mph.

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

If not purely a residential street, additional time on journeys will affect many people especially in urban areas. Additional pollution is likely at the edges of 20 mph zones as vehicles speed up to the adjacent higher limits.

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.

Clear signage is required, with electronic reminders at black-spots. Police should be visible and enforce if necessary.

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						

Please explain the reasons for your response

We expect that the Scottish government would determine that local authorities should cover any costs arising from this initiative. Signage will be required and additional enforcement costs would be incurred.

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

Only road safety.

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

Road safety affects all users equally

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

Not applicable

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 additional cost, but it should not be disproportionate.

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?

Local authorities must retain the final decision on which roads require to be exempted from a blanket 20 mph limit, but this should incorporate local consultation on a case-by-case basis.