

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".)

Member of the public

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.

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 If you choose the second or third option, a name is still required, but it will not be published.

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 opposed

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Please explain the reasons for your response

20mph limits have been shown not to work without complete police enforcement. They cause congestion which results in higher pollution levels. Councils have shown that they are incapable of making sensible decisions on which streets should be restricted to 20 mph. A good example is Drip Road in Stirling (a main thoroughfare, much of which has housing on only one side). It is not only a 20 limit it is also littered with other unnecessary traffic calming measures which cause even more pollution. I agree with '20 when lights flash', but strongly object to ANY full time 20 limits. Modern cars are more capable than those of 100 years ago when limits were set. A default 20mph limit is just another way of deterring motorists.

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

No

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

None, other than higher revenue from fines

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

See earlier answer

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.

No Response

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

Please explain the reasons for your response

This measure will deter tourists

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

None whatsoever.

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)

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

There is no 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?

No

Please explain the reasons for your response:

Refer to my earlier responses.

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

