

Consultation Response Form

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Q1: Do you feel there is a need to reduce speed limits on restricted roads?

Yes

Q2: How concerned would you say you are, if at all, about the following issues where you live? **Very concerned** / **fairly concerned**

- i) Cars or other vehicles driving too fast generally
- ii) Cars or other vehicles driving too fast near schools
- iii) Cars or other vehicles driving too fast around areas where there are a lot of pedestrians
- iv) Cars or other vehicles parked on pavements
- v) Roads not safe for cyclists
- vi) Children being involved in an accident
- vii) Not enough facilities for cycling
- viii) Difficult to cross the road safely
- ix) Poor air quality / vehicle emissions
- x) Roads not safe for people with impairments

Q3: How safe do you feel when doing the following where you live?

(Very safe / somewhat safe / **not very safe** / not at all safe/ don't know / not applicable)

- i) Walking in your local area
- ii) Cycling on local roads
- iii) Walking/cycling to the bus stop or train station
- iv) Crossing the road

Q4: Do you have school aged children? **Not applicable to respondent**

If NOT go to Q5

Q5: The Welsh Government is proposing to reduce the speed limit from 30 mph to 20 mph on restricted roads, which are generally located in residential communities and built-up areas across Wales.

What's your view on this idea?

Strongly in favour Go to Q6

Slightly in favour Go to **Q6**

Slightly against Go to **Q7**

Strongly against Go to **Q7**

Don't know Go to **Q8**

Q6: Here are some reasons why people might support 20mph speed limits on restricted roads. Which of these, if any, do you agree with?

All that apply are shown in red:

- i) Encourages more walking and cycling
- ii) Improves the quality of life
- iii) Improves traffic flow
- iv) Makes it safer for cyclists
- v) Makes it safer for pedestrians
- vi) Makes streets more pleasant to live in
- vii) Means children can play more safely
- viii) Means fewer serious collisions on the roads
- ix) Reduces noise
- x) Reduces air pollution
- xi) Reduces risk of fatal accidents
- xii) Improves physical and mental health
- xiii) Makes it easier for people to meet up

Q7: Here are some reasons why people might oppose 20mph speed limits on restricted roads. Which of these, if any, do you agree with (shown in red)?

- i) Increases accidents
- ii) Increases congestion
- iii) Increases pollution
- iv) Makes journey times longer

- v) Makes the quality of life worse
- vi) May be ignored by many drivers
- vii) May not be policed and enforced effectively
- viii) Would annoy drivers
- ix) Would not make any difference to cyclists' safety
- x) Would not make any difference to pedestrians' safety

Q8: What difference would 20mph speed limits on restricted roads make to you personally? Would they make you more likely to do the following?

- i) Walk more **YES/NO**
- ii) Drive more **YES/NO**
- iii) Cycle or Scooter **YES/NO**
- iii) Use public transport **YES/NO**
- iv) Other. Please specify _____

Q.9: Do you think a 20mph speed limit on restricted roads would have a positive impact the following:

- i) Older people; **YES/NO**
- ii) Those with physical impairments; **YES/NO**
- iii) Those with sensory impairments (visual, hearing); **YES/NO**
- iv) Pregnant women **YES/NO**

Q10: How do you think the 20mph speed limit on restricted roads would impact the following businesses (very positive/ somewhat positive/ neutral/ somewhat negative/ very negative):

- i) Local "high street" businesses (shops, cafes, pubs, other customer-facing organisations);

No difference

- ii) Businesses in the area using the road network for access or deliveries

Positive

- III) Road maintenance and utility (electricity, gas, water, communications) companies requiring access to work on the road

No difference

Q11: How old are you?

16-24years old

25-34 years old

35-44 years old

45-65 years old

65 + years old

Prefer not to say

Age range of those attending Association Meetings are 45 plus.

Q12: Do you have, or do you consider yourself to have, an impairment or health condition?

Yes

No

Prefer not to say

Some members do and others do not

Q 13: What impact would introducing a 20mph default speed limit on restricted roads in Wales have on the Welsh language?

Positive / Negative / No impact / Don't know

If you feel it would impact the Welsh language negatively or positively, in what way would it impact?

Write your answer here:

Not relevant to this consultation

Q14: Have you seen or heard any marketing, communications or advertising recently about the proposal to reduce the speed limit on restricted roads to 20mph in Wales?

Yes / No

Q15: How often do you do each of these things?

- (At least once a day / At least once a week / Less often / Never)
- Read a national (UK) newspaper (online or paper)
- Read a national (Wales) newspaper (online or paper)
- Read a local newspaper (online or paper)
- Listen to a radio station
- Watch BBC TV
- Watch TV advert
- Use Facebook

- Use Twitter

Not relevant to this consultation.

Question A: We are under a duty to consider the effects of our policy decisions on the Welsh language, under the requirements of the Welsh Language (Wales) Measure 2011.

We would like to know your views on the effects the proposals would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favorably than English.

What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?

Not relevant to this consultation.

Question B: Please also explain how you believe the proposals could be formulated or changed so as to have positive effects or increased positive effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favorably than the English language, and no adverse effects on opportunities for people to use the Welsh language and on treating the Welsh language no less favorably than the English language.

Not relevant to this consultation.

Question 18: We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues which we have not specifically addressed, please use this space to report them:

The main issues around introducing a 20mph limit in residential areas is enforcement. Putting in more traffic calming is not popular; particularly speed humps which are noisy for those living next to them.

If the new measures are not enforced (cameras etc) there will be little point in bringing them in.

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