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Dear Sir/Madam,

### **Citywide 5b(20mph speed limit zone) order 201\_, Support with concern**

Thank you for your e-mail of 24 June.

GoBike! supports this Order for 20mph mandatory zones in Dumbreck, Priesthill, Riverview and South Nitshill. We are pleased to see that you propose to limit traffic speeds in these areas.

However, we are very concerned, as we have expressed before, about this ad hoc approach to the implementation of 20mph speed limits across the city.

We understand that you have budget constraints and there may be different political and social reasons for the order in which areas are programmed for 20mph but this random approach does not help the resident or the road user. It is a waste of public resources to provide all the publicity, signage and traffic calming in each of these areas in a programme that our estimates, based on your recent rate of implementation, show that the full implementation across the city will take the best part of 40 years.

We are also very concerned about compliance with the reduced speed limit and enforcement. There is little, or no, perception, that speeds are falling in the 20mph areas and no evidence at all of enforcement. Has any survey been carried out to check whether motor vehicle drivers actually know the speed limit on the street on which they are driving, or even on the street where they live?

It is clear that many Glasgow residents wish to see a 20mph speed limit near their homes, schools, shops and workplaces. We thus repeat our request to you for the default speed limit in the city to be 20mph. This will give all road users clarity as to what is expected of them when using the streets in the city and will allow funding to be redirected to ensuring that 20mph limits are enforced.

Yours sincerely,

Convenor, GoBike!