

In terms of comments on the use of powers in Wales, I would add as follows from a GoSafe perspective:

- Wales should not deviate from national (UK) policy for setting limits unless there are solid, exceptional, circumstances. This would apply particularly where it would affect enforcement. This would include the setting of, signing and enforcement of limits. The reason for this response is:
 - the police as the enforcement agency are often challenged about the prosecution of speeding offences and a common defence is signing. There is clear and consistent guidance in the UK which allows a robust legal standing where this guidance is followed. Any deviation from this would leave the public bodies exposed for challenges. As such, it would be prudent to ask the relevant police force for comment when setting local speed limits
 - A clear and consistent speed limit setting policy needs to be adhered to for the motoring public: often we find compliance with speed limits in particular is where there is a clear and obvious reason for that reason to be applicable
- There should be no deviation or special adjustments to signage or policy across Wales: all highways authorities in Wales should be held to the same policies and guidance for purposes of clarity and fairness
- There is a significant amount of tourist traffic from the English border, any signage should be easily recognisable to the UK motoring public as 'common' practice to ensure best compliance.

Best Regards,

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