

PE2206/A: Review the weighting for single-track roads in the road maintenance funding formula

Scottish Government written submission, 15 December 2025

Does the Scottish Government consider the specific ask[s] of the petition to be practical or achievable? If not, please explain why.

The needs-based formula used to distribute the quantum of funding available for local government is subject to constant review and is agreed each year with COSLA on behalf of all 32 local authorities.

The Scottish Government is always open to suggestions to improve the funding formula. However, any proposals for change must properly come through COSLA in the first instance.

What, if any, action the Scottish Government is currently taking to address the issues raised by this petition, and is any further action being considered that will achieve the ask[s] of this petition?

The Scottish Government is not currently taking any action to address the specific issue raised by this petition, however the needs based distribution formula is discussed and agreed with COSLA each year. As noted above, the Scottish Government is always open to suggestions to improve the funding formula, however any proposals must come through COSLA.