



CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE (Page One)
Credit Union Debts in Protected Trust Deeds

The deadline for responses is 25 June 2007

Your details

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Organisation (if applicable)	East Kent Credit Union
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Postcode	[REDACTED]
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For the purpose of analysing responses, it would be helpful if you would also indicate the capacity in which you are completing this questionnaire, please tick as appropriate.

Advice Sector	<input type="checkbox"/>	Legal Body	<input type="checkbox"/>
Business	<input type="checkbox"/>	Professional Body	<input type="checkbox"/>
Individual	<input type="checkbox"/>	Statutory Body	<input type="checkbox"/>
Insolvency Practitioner	<input type="checkbox"/>	Other (Please Specify) <u>Finance</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Questions for Consultation

1a Do you think that cancelling debt in a Protected Trust Deed has a particularly harsh impact on Credit Unions?

Yes No

1b If yes, what evidence do you have to support your comments?

EVIDENCE HAS BEEN FORWARDED BY CHARLES HELGREN
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1c Do you think that Protected Trust Deeds should give special protection to Credit Unions?

Yes No

Annex – The Scottish Executive Consultation Process

Consultation is an essential and important aspect of Scottish Executive working methods. Given the wide-ranging areas of work of the Scottish Executive, there are many varied types of consultation. However, in general, Scottish Executive consultation exercises aim to provide opportunities for all those who wish to express their opinions on a proposed area of work to do so in ways which will inform and enhance that work.

The Scottish Executive encourages consultation that is thorough, effective and appropriate to the issue under consideration and the nature of the target audience. Consultation exercises take account of a wide range of factors, and no two exercises are likely to be the same.

Typically Scottish Executive consultations involve a written paper inviting answers to specific questions or more general views about the material presented. Written papers are distributed to organisations and individuals with an interest in the issue, and they are also placed on the Scottish Executive web site enabling a wider audience to access the paper and submit their responses. Consultation exercises may also involve seeking views in a number of different ways, such as through public meetings, focus groups or questionnaire exercises. Copies of all the written responses received to a consultation exercise (except those where the individual or organisation requested confidentiality) are placed in the Scottish Executive library at Saughton House, Edinburgh (K Spur, Saughton House, Broomhouse Drive, Edinburgh, EH11 3XD, telephone 0131 244 4565).

All Scottish Executive consultation papers and related publications (eg, analysis of response reports) can be accessed at: [Scottish Executive consultations](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/consultations) (<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/consultations>)

The views and suggestions detailed in consultation responses are analysed and used as part of the decision making process, along with a range of other available information and evidence. Depending on the nature of the consultation exercise the responses received may:

- indicate the need for policy development or review
- inform the development of a particular policy
- help decisions to be made between alternative policy proposals
- be used to finalise legislation before it is implemented

Final decisions on the issues under consideration will also take account of a range of other factors, including other available information and research evidence.

While details of particular circumstances described in a response to a consultation exercise may usefully inform the policy process, consultation exercises cannot address individual concerns and comments, which should be directed to the relevant public body.

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2a Do you think that cancelling debt in a Protected Trust Deed has a particularly harsh impact on any other creditor?

Yes No

2b If yes, what other creditors are affected?

2c Do you think that Protected Trust Deeds should give special protection to any other type of creditor and which ones?

3a Do you think that introducing special protection for credit unions (or another type of creditor) would unduly harm the interests of the rest of the creditors?

Yes No

3b If yes, what evidence do you have to support your comments?

4a Which of the following options do you think would be the most appropriate?

Option 1 (Do Nothing) –The intended reform of Protected Trust Deeds will be sufficient to protect the interests of all creditors, including Credit Unions.

Option 2 (Debts not Cancelled) - Debts due to Credit Unions should not be cancelled by Protected Trust Deeds.

4b Why do you think this option is most appropriate?

OPTION 1 MAY NOT BE SUFFICIENT TO PROTECT THE
INTERESTS OF CREDIT UNIONS

4c Do you have any other comments on these options that we should consider?

**RESPONDENT INFORMATION FORM:
Credit Union Debts in Protected Trust Deeds**

Please complete the details below and return it with your response. This will help ensure we handle your response appropriately. Thank you for your help.

Name:

Postal Address:

1. Are you responding: (please tick one box)
- (a) as an individual go to Q2a/b and then Q4
- (b) on behalf of a group/organisation go to Q3 and then Q4

INDIVIDUALS

- 2a. Do you agree to your response being made available to the public (in Scottish Executive library and/or on the Scottish Executive website)?

Yes (go to 2b below)

No, not at all

(We will treat your response as confidential)

- 2b. Where **confidentiality is not requested**, we will make your response available to the public on the following basis (please tick one of the following boxes)

Yes, make my response, name and address all available

Yes, make my response available, but not my name or address

Yes, make my response and name available, but not my address

ON BEHALF OF GROUPS OR ORGANISATIONS:

- 3 The name and address of your organisation **will be** made available to the public (in the Scottish Executive library and/or on the Scottish Executive website). Are you also content for your **response** to be made available?

Yes

No (We will treat your response as confidential)

SHARING RESPONSES/FUTURE ENGAGEMENT

- 4 We will share your response internally with other Scottish Executive policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for the Scottish Executive to contact you again in the future in relation to this consultation response?

Yes

No