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CONSULTATION ON PROPOSED MARINE RESERVE IN LAMLASH BAY:

Question 1: Do you *agree* or *disagree* with the proposal to establish a Marine Reserve in Lamlash Bay?

As a director of The Association of Sustainability Practitioners, the Social Venture Network in the UK, the Hub Bristol and modoto Ltd, and as an individual, I write in support of the proposal to establish a marine reserve in Lamlash Bay.

Question 2: Do you think there would be any a) *positive* and b) *negative* implications should a Marine Reserve be established in Lamlash Bay?

I believe the reserve would be a significant step towards the re-establishment of sustainable fishery management around the UK and elsewhere. I think the short term cost to the fishing industry far outweighs any argument for unimpeded access. There is now too much evidence about the biological capacity of the planet to plead ignorance, or to make an effective case against our duty of care for the whole web of life.

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Question 3: Are there any *other points* which you would like to make in relation to the proposed Lamlash Bay Marine Reserve?

I hope that the policy-makers responsible for the decision will consider their personal values and place in the world deeply as they view the evidence presented. If there are fisher folk whose livelihood is entirely dependent on Lamlash Bay, then the government and local community share a responsibility to help them find alternative work. I commend the 'Fish Stocks' game to all those interested in this debate as a way of fully understanding the implications of this decision.

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