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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?

Fully and totally agree

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

Only long term positive enhancement of ecosystem and marine stock, with any negative impacts purely in short term harvesting.

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

The ecological improvement that will result will enhance not only the area itself but that beyond it's contains by providing fresh stock to depleted areas. It is vital that not only a 'no take' zone is instituted but that no dredging for sand and shingle is permitted but also that no bottom dredging is permitted. No aggregate extraction should be permitted within a fifty mile boundary due to the wash off tidal silt drift down smothering of spawning beds and marine flora.

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