

Dear Sir / Madam,

I have had a brief look at the above, and would make the following comments, which I hope are of value :

Q1 The draft circular appears, a robust endeavor at the difficult task of integrating the, by definition, widely - focused concerns of land use planning with the objective economic & environmental concerns of marine planning; in particular, the emphasis placed on aligning timescales is to be welcomed.

Q2 The draft circular appears to set out the requirements for integration between land use and marine planning, and in particular, places emphasis on the need for sensitive consideration of those issues outlined in paragraph 35.

Q3 The detail of the draft circular outlined in paragraphs 30 - 39 inclusive appears to provide detail of good practice, particularly with regard to timescale & (potentially sensitive) categories of development.

The consultation might well, want to have regard to the emergant 'Lerwick Declaration', following representations made by Shetland, Orkney and Comhairle nan Eilean Sar in, ' Our Islands - Our Future '.

I would describe my ' Area of Interest ' as ' Recreation / Tourism '.

I shall return the Respondee Information Form, duly completed, in due course.

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