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Questions - Part 1 – A National Spatial Strategy for Scotland 2045

1 Sustainable places. Our future net zero places will be more resilient to the impacts of climate change and support recovery of our natural environment. Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future net zero places which will be more resilient to the impacts of climate change and support recovery of our natural environment?

Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future net zero places which will be more resilient to the impacts of climate change and support recovery of our natural environment?:

There is not enough information supplied to assess what this approach will deliver.

2 Liveable places. Our future places, homes and neighbourhoods will be better, healthier and more vibrant places to live. Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future places, homes and neighbourhoods which will be better, healthier and more vibrant places to live?

Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future places, homes and neighbourhoods which will be better, healthier and more vibrant places to live?:

There is not enough information supplied to assess what this approach will deliver.

3 Productive places. Our future places will attract new investment, build business confidence, stimulate entrepreneurship and facilitate future ways of working – improving economic, social and environmental wellbeing. Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future places which will attract new investment, build business confidence, stimulate entrepreneurship and facilitate future ways of working – improving economic, social and environmental wellbeing?

Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future places which will attract new investment, build business confidence, stimulate entrepreneurship and facilitate future ways of working – improving economic, social and environmental wellbeing?:

There is not enough information supplied to assess what this approach will deliver.

4 Distinctive places. Our future places will be distinctive, safe and pleasant, easy to move around, welcoming, nature-positive and resource efficient. Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future places which will be distinctive, safe and pleasant, easy to move around, welcoming, nature-positive and resource efficient?

Do you agree that this approach will deliver our future places which will be distinctive, safe and pleasant, easy to move around, welcoming, nature-positive and resource efficient?:

There is not enough information supplied to assess what this approach will deliver.

5 Distinctive places. Our future places will be distinctive, safe and pleasant, easy to move around, welcoming, nature-positive and resource efficient. Do you agree that the spatial strategy will deliver future places that overall are sustainable, liveable, productive and distinctive?

Do you agree that the spatial strategy will deliver future places that overall are sustainable, liveable, productive and distinctive?:

There is not enough information supplied to assess what this approach will deliver. The national planning framework will only deliver places which are sustainable and distinctive if planning is compelled to restore Scotland's natural environment and the process does not permit further deterioration. The relationship between NPF4 and the revision National Marine Plan (NMP) will be critical here and so it is very difficult to understand why these important processes are not being considered together. There are also other important policy drivers such as the Controlled Activities Regulations which must be delivered in a coordinated fashion to achieve the desired outcomes.

6 Spatial principles. Do you agree that these spatial principles will enable the right choices to be made about where development should be located?

Do you agree that these spatial principles will enable the right choices to be made about where development should be located?:

No specific comments.

7 Spatial Strategy Action Areas. Do you agree that these spatial strategy action areas provide a strong basis to take forward regional priority actions?

Do you agree that these spatial strategy action areas provide a strong basis to take forward regional priority actions?:

No specific comments.

8 North and west coastal innovation. Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?

Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?:

No specific comments.

9 North and west coastal innovation.What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?

What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area? :

No specific comments.

10 Northern revitalisation.Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?

Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?:

No specific comments.

11 Northern revitalisation.What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?

What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?:

No specific comments.

12 North east transition.Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?

Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?:

No specific comments.

13 North east transition.What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?

What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?:

No specific comments.

14 Central urban transformation.Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?

Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area? :

No specific comments.

15 Central urban transformation.What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?

What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area? :

No specific comments.

16 Southern sustainability.Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?

Do you agree with this summary of challenges and opportunities for this action area?:

No specific comments.

17 Southern sustainability.What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?

What are your views on these strategic actions for this action area?:

No specific comments.

18 National Spatial Strategy.What are your overall views on this proposed national spatial strategy?

What are your overall views on this proposed national spatial strategy?:

No specific comments.

Questions - Part 2 - National developments

19 Do you think that any of the classes of development described in the statements of need should be changed or additional classes added in order to deliver the national development described?

Do you think that any of the classes of development described in the statements of need should be changed or additional classes added in order to deliver the national development described?:

We are concerned about the inclusion of pumped storage hydro schemes in this section. We would expect any such proposals to be fully aligned with Policy 3. In the case of hydro schemes particular care will be required to ensure that the water abstraction/discharge point for any proposed

developments are located away from river mouths or migratory routes utilised by wild migratory fish species. Freshwater pearl mussels also depend on juvenile salmonids for part of their lifecycle and therefore the location of any populations of pearl mussels will be a key consideration.

We consider that further work is required to determine the impact of repetitive abstraction and discharge cycles by pumped storage hydro schemes on the passage of salmon and sea trout smolts as they migrate through lochs. Downstream migrating smolts seek outflows from lochs to continue their downstream migration. If salmonid smolts are attracted by pumped storage hydro schemes intakes during the abstraction cycle, this is likely to result in migration delays, and potentially increased predation by predatory fish, which are known to home in on anthropogenic "pinch-points" where smolts may accumulate. Smolts have evolved to time their downstream migration to reach the sea at the optimum time. The effect of cumulative, anthropogenic, delays to the migration is likely to be highly detrimental to their life-time success.

Existing pumped storage hydro schemes can significantly raise or lower water levels within lochs, often abstracting and discharging, on a daily basis, more water than would flow down rivers during a moderate size spate. The ecological impact of this activity, including on the migratory behaviour of wild salmon and sea trout, must be considered before such developments are considered as national developments.

20 Is the level of information in the statements of need enough for communities, applicants and planning authorities to clearly decide when a proposal should be handled as a national development?

Is the level of information in the statements of need enough for communities, applicants and planning authorities to clearly decide when a proposal should be handled as a national development?:

No specific comments.

21 Do you think there are other developments, not already considered in supporting documents, that should be considered for national development status?

Do you think there are other developments, not already considered in supporting documents, that should be considered for national development status?:

No specific comments.

Questions - Part 3 – National Planning Policy

22 Sustainable Places. We want our places to help us tackle the climate and nature crises and ensure Scotland adapts to thrive within the planet's sustainable limits. Do you agree that addressing climate change and nature recovery should be the primary guiding principles for all our plans and planning decisions?

Do you agree that addressing climate change and nature recovery should be the primary guiding principles for all our plans and planning decisions? :

Yes – we agree that addressing climate change and nature recovery should be the primary guiding principles for all plans and planning decisions. Addressing the twin climate and biodiversity crises will require a fundamental change in our approach, in particular a new recognition of the impact of a wide range of policies on biodiversity, and of the urgent necessity to develop more sustainable practices. Whilst it is welcome that the draft planning framework includes these policies, it is far less clear that the framework in the round will result in the transformational change that is required – rather, this document reads like the status quo, with the addition of some high level policies, but little clarity on how those policies will work in practice.

Despite the inclusion of specific policies related to the climate and nature crises, it is unclear how these policies will be balanced against other policies in the plan. For example, efforts to mitigate climate change through renewables should be supported, but what is the approach in relation to managing impacts on other species resulting from these large-scale industrial developments? In the case of marine renewable energy (wind, wave and tidal) the ScotMER Diadromous Fish Specialist Receptor Group has identified, and prioritised evidence gaps associated with consenting offshore renewable developments. Very little work has been done to fill these evidence gaps and it is important that these gaps are filled. Similarly, there are significant and long-standing issues relating to hydro-electricity development and great care needs to be taken in any policy that encourages further impoundments or large-scale abstractions related to this activity. Scotland is predicted to encounter warm, dry summers on a more regular basis, and water scarcity is already an issue in many parts of the country. Finally the policy on sustainable aquaculture does not provide for an approach that will minimise impacts on the environment.

23 Policy 1: Plan-led approach to sustainable development. Do you agree with this policy approach?

Do you agree with this policy approach?:

We agree in principle, but the wording is not sufficiently strong. Local development plans should demonstrate that they will achieve (rather than seek to achieve) the UN sustainable development goals and Scotland's National Outcomes.

24 Policy 2: Climate emergency. Do you agree that this policy will ensure the planning system takes account of the need to address the climate emergency?

Do you agree that this policy will ensure the planning system takes account of the need to address the climate emergency? :

We welcome the inclusion of this policy. However, as stated above, it is unclear how this policy interacts with Policy 3. Given that it is now widely recognised that the twin crises of climate change and biodiversity loss need to be addressed together, we are of the view that Policy 2 and Policy 3 should be combined. In other words, a development that meets Policy 2 should not be granted permission unless it also meets Policy 3. In particular, we have in mind the exception set out in Policy 2c, where the proposed development is considered to be 'in the long-term public interest'.

25 Policy 3: Nature crisis. Do you agree that this policy will ensure that the planning system takes account of the need to address the nature crisis?

Do you agree that this policy will ensure that the planning system takes account of the need to address the nature crisis? :

No – this policy needs to go much further. As highlighted in papers circulated to stakeholders as part of the Scottish Biodiversity Strategic Framework, the evidence base on biodiversity decline is strong and demonstrates very clearly that Scotland has seen a dramatic decline in its biodiversity. This decline of biodiversity is very long-standing and most measures indicate that it has continued in the most recent decade.

Policy 3c states that ‘any potential adverse impacts of development proposals on biodiversity, nature networks and the natural environment should be minimised through careful planning and design’. We do not believe that the word minimise is appropriate here, and this is not consistent with the statement in 3d that developments should only be supported where it can be demonstrated that they will conserve and enhance biodiversity. The preventative principle and the principle of net biodiversity gain should underpin all developments of any size. Anything short of this, will continue the current situation of ‘death by a thousand cuts’.

No explanation is given as to why applications for farmed fish or shellfish development are excluded from the requirement to demonstrate that the proposal will conserve and enhance biodiversity. We do not support this exclusion.

Policy 3d discusses biodiversity enhancements, which we support, but specific reference to ‘restoration’ of biodiversity should also be included here.

We would also emphasise that the policies included in this section, must also be reflected in the key licensing regimes which operate in Scotland, in particular the Controlled Activities Regulations and Marine Licensing. Unless this happens, the policies will not have the desired effect in delivering benefits for nature.

26 Policy 4: Human rights and equality. Do you agree that this policy effectively addresses the need for planning to respect, protect and fulfil human rights, seek to eliminate discrimination and promote equality?

Do you agree that this policy effectively addresses the need for planning to respect, protect and fulfil human rights, seek to eliminate discrimination and promote equality?:

No specific comments

27 Policy 5: Community wealth building. Do you agree that planning policy should support community wealth building, and does this policy deliver this?

Do you agree that planning policy should support community wealth building, and does this policy deliver this?:

There is not enough information or explanation provided to answer this question

28 Policy 6: Design, quality and place. Do you agree that this policy will enable the planning system to promote design, quality and place?

Do you agree that this policy will enable the planning system to promote design, quality and place?:

No specific comments

29 Policy 7: Local living. Do you agree that this policy sufficiently addresses the need to support local living?

Do you agree that this policy sufficiently addresses the need to support local living? :

No specific comments

30 Policy 8: Infrastructure First. Do you agree that this policy ensures that we make best use of existing infrastructure and take an infrastructure-first approach to planning?

Do you agree that this policy ensures that we make best use of existing infrastructure and take an infrastructure-first approach to planning?:

It is not immediately clear to us what ‘infrastructure first’ actually means in practice. Given the emphasis placed on addressing the climate and biodiversity crises, we consider that a ‘nature first’ approach would be more appropriate. Please see our earlier comments about the balance between these policies and Policy 2 and 3.

31 Policy 9: Quality homes. Do you agree that this policy meets the aims of supporting the delivery of high quality, sustainable homes that meet the needs of people throughout their lives?

Do you agree that this policy meets the aims of supporting the delivery of high quality, sustainable homes that meet the needs of people throughout their lives?:

No specific comments. Please see our earlier comments about the balance between these policies and Policy 2 and 3.

32 Policy 10: Sustainable transport. Do you agree that this policy will reduce the need to travel unsustainably, decarbonise our transport system and promote active travel choices?

Do you agree that this policy will reduce the need to travel unsustainably, decarbonise our transport system and promote active travel choices?:

No specific comments.

33 Policy 11: heat and cooling. Do you agree that this policy will help us achieve zero emissions from heating and cooling our buildings and adapt to changing temperatures?

Do you agree that this policy will help us achieve zero emissions from heating and cooling our buildings and adapt to changing temperatures? :

No specific comments.

34 Policy 12: Blue and green infrastructure, play and sport. Do you agree that this policy will help to make our places greener, healthier, and more resilient to climate change by supporting and enhancing blue and green infrastructure and providing good quality local opportunities for play and sport?

Do you agree that this policy will help to make our places greener, healthier, and more resilient to climate change by supporting and enhancing blue and green infrastructure and providing good quality local opportunities for play and sport?:

We are in broad agreement with this Policy.

35 Policy 13: Sustainable flood risk and water management. Do you agree that this policy will help to ensure places are resilient to future flood risk and make efficient and sustainable use of water resources?

Do you agree that this policy will help to ensure places are resilient to future flood risk and make efficient and sustainable use of water resources?:

We are in broad agreement with this Policy.

36 Policies 14 and 15 – Health, wellbeing and safety. Do you agree that this policy will ensure places support health, wellbeing and safety, and strengthen the resilience of communities?

Do you agree that this policy will ensure places support health, wellbeing and safety, and strengthen the resilience of communities?:

No specific comments.

37 Policy 16 – land and premises for business and employment. Do you agree that this policy ensures places support new and expanded businesses and investment, stimulate entrepreneurship and promote alternative ways of working in order to achieve a green recovery and build a wellbeing economy?

Do you agree that this policy ensures places support new and expanded businesses and investment, stimulate entrepreneurship and promote alternative ways of working in order to achieve a green recovery and build a wellbeing economy?:

No specific comments. Please see our earlier comments about the balance between these policies and Policy 2 and 3.

Questions - Part 3 - National Planning Policy continued

38 Policy 17: Sustainable tourism. Do you agree that this policy will help to inspire people to visit Scotland, and support sustainable tourism which benefits local people and is consistent with our net-zero and nature commitments?

Do you agree that this policy will help to inspire people to visit Scotland, and support sustainable tourism which benefits local people and is consistent with our net-zero and nature commitments?:

We are in broad agreement with this Policy.

39 Policy 18: Culture and creativity. Do you agree that this policy supports our places to reflect and facilitate enjoyment of, and investment in, our collective culture and creativity?

Do you agree that this policy supports our places to reflect and facilitate enjoyment of, and investment in, our collective culture and creativity?:

No specific comments.

40 Policy 19: Green energy. Do you agree that this policy will ensure our places support continued expansion of low carbon and net-zero energy technologies as a key contributor to net-zero emissions by 2045?

Do you agree that this policy will ensure our places support continued expansion of low carbon and net-zero energy technologies as a key contributor to net-zero emissions by 2045?:

Please see our earlier comments. We seek the inclusion of a clear and unambiguous statement, that any green energy developments are in line with Policy 3. For too long, addressing the biodiversity crisis has lagged behind measures to address the climate crisis. Development of green and low-carbon energy must not be at the expense of wider biodiversity. Policy 19k states that proposals for renewable energy should take into account a range of issues, including 'effects on natural heritage', 'impacts on carbon-rich soils' and 'effects on hydrology, the water environment and flood risk'. We do not consider

that 'taking into account' such issues is sufficiently protective of these important considerations, nor do we believe that this wording is consistent with Policy 3.

41 Policy 20: Zero waste. Do you agree that this policy will help our places to be more resource efficient, and to be supported by services and facilities that help to achieve a circular economy?

Do you agree that this policy will help our places to be more resource efficient, and to be supported by services and facilities that help to achieve a circular economy?:

We are in broad agreement with this Policy.

42 Policy 21: Aquaculture. Do you agree that this policy will support investment in aquaculture and minimise its potential impacts on the environment?

Do you agree that this policy will support investment in aquaculture and minimise its potential impacts on the environment?:

No – we do not consider that this policy will minimise impacts on the environment. There has been a great deal of scrutiny on the fish farming industry and a great deal of work is being progressed to develop a regulatory system that is fit-for-purpose. The planning system does not, and should not, sit in isolation from these wider drivers. Indeed, there is a lack of alignment with other drivers such as the proposals for 10% of inshore waters to be protected from all extractive activities, including aquaculture. As we stated earlier, it is vital that the broad principles set out in Policy 3 are incorporated into the Controlled Activities Regulations and Marine Licensing system. Without this key step, and the swift delivery of a reformed regulatory system, the National Planning Policy cannot achieve its stated aim.

We would emphasise that a policy related to aquaculture is not the correct approach. The approach that should be adopted for shell fish farming is entirely different from the approach to marine open pen farming, which is again different to land-based fish farming. These component parts should be considered separately.

Policy 21a appears to place a strong emphasis on industry 'need' whilst only 'taking account' of environmental impact. This is not consistent with policy 2 and 3 and should be amended.

We welcome Policy 21b as a broad approach, but note that the language used is different from that employed in the National Marine Plan. We agree that further development on the north and east coasts of mainland Scotland should not be supported and we welcome the specific reference to safeguarding migratory fish species. However, we are also concerned that statements of this sort have been interpreted by some planning authorities as a presumption for development in all other areas. This issue needs to be properly clarified to make clear that all development should be sustainable and in line with Policy 3. This is of particular importance given that the Scottish Government has assessed many of the salmon rivers in the 'aquaculture zone' as being below their conservation limits. As stated above, we do not agree that aquaculture should be excluded from the requirement to demonstrate that the proposal will conserve and enhance biodiversity.

Policy 21c states that proposals for aquaculture should be supported where they comply with the local development plan, the National Marine Plan and, where relevant, the appropriate Regional Marine Plan. In our view these processes are currently inadequate to protect wild fish and therefore we do not support the inclusion of this section.

Policy 21d makes reference to operational impacts, including sea lice, are 'acceptable and comply with the relevant regulatory framework; and that significant cumulative impacts are appropriately managed. We would again emphasise that for the protection of wild migratory fish, there is NO current regulatory framework, and therefore this policy is not compatible with Policy 3.

43 Policy 22: Minerals. Do you agree that this policy will support the sustainable management of resources and minimise the impacts of extraction of minerals on communities and the environment?

Do you agree that this policy will support the sustainable management of resources and minimise the impacts of extraction of minerals on communities and the environment?:

We are in broad agreement with this Policy, and in particular we support the ongoing policy against the development of unconventional oil and gas in Scotland.

44 Policy 23: Digital infrastructure. Do you agree that this policy ensures all of our places will be digitally connected?

Do you agree that this policy ensures all of our places will be digitally connected?:

No specific comments.

45 Policies 24 to 27 – Distinctive places. Do you agree that these policies will ensure Scotland's places will support low carbon urban living?

Do you agree that these policies will ensure Scotland's places will support low carbon urban living?:

No specific comments.

46 Policy 28: Historic assets and places. Do you agree that this policy will protect and enhance our historic environment, and support the re-use of redundant or neglected historic buildings?

Do you agree that this policy will protect and enhance our historic environment, and support the re-use of redundant or neglected historic buildings? :

Whilst we understand the desire to protect historic assets and places, we do not consider that the balance between this policy and protecting and restoring our natural environment is correct. A key priority of Scotland's River Basin Management Plans is to remove or ease barriers to fish migration. Many of the current barriers are historic weirs which cannot currently be removed due to current historic protections. Removal of barriers should always be the first option as full removal will allow natural river process to be restored, whereas the installation of a fish pass will not achieve this. We believe that protection of historic assets must be better balanced against protection of the environment, particularly in the case of the water environment. Consideration of the relaxation of current historic protections, where the benefit to the natural environment is in the wider public interest should be considered further.

47 Policy 29: Urban edges and the green belt. Do you agree that this policy will increase the density of our settlements, restore nature and promote local living by limiting urban expansion and using the land around our towns and cities wisely?

Do you agree that this policy will increase the density of our settlements, restore nature and promote local living by limiting urban expansion and using the land around our towns and cities wisely?:

We are in broad agreement with this Policy.

48 Policy 30: Vacant and derelict land. Do you agree that this policy will help to proactively enable the reuse of vacant and derelict land and buildings?

Do you agree that this policy will help to proactively enable the reuse of vacant and derelict land and buildings?:

No specific comments.

49 Policy 31: Rural places. Do you agree that this policy will ensure that rural places can be vibrant and sustainable?

Do you agree that this policy will ensure that rural places can be vibrant and sustainable? :

We are in broad agreement with this Policy. We welcome the support for development proposals that contribute to the improvement or restoration of the natural environment.

50 Policy 32: Natural places. Do you agree that this policy will protect and restore natural places?

Do you agree that this policy will protect and restore natural places?:

We welcome and support the statement that 'development proposals that would have an unacceptable impact on the natural environment including biodiversity objectives should not be supported'. However, it is again unclear how this will integrate with other policies within the plan. The various elements of this policy which relate to European sites, National Parks, National Scenic Areas, SSSIs, National Nature Reserves and protected species do not go beyond current requirements. As stated above, transformational change is required and this section lacks ambition. Specifically, the reference to developers 'taking into account' legislation on non-native species is particularly weak.

Policy 32h makes reference to the precautionary principle, which we support. However, reference to the principle that preventive action should be taken should also be included here.

51 Policy 33: Peat and carbon rich soils. Do you agree that this policy protects carbon rich soils and supports the preservation and restoration of peatlands?

Do you agree that this policy protects carbon rich soils and supports the preservation and restoration of peatlands? :

This Policy recognises the importance of peat and carbon rich soils in helping to achieve net zero by 2045, and their importance in providing essential ecosystem services. However, it then goes on to set out a series of exemptions for development which have the potential to significantly undermine the stated ambition in the Policy. We consider that this Policy needs to be considerably strengthened and a greater degree of protection and restoration of peatland should be delivered through the planning framework.

52 Policy 34 – Trees, woodland and forestry: Do you agree that this policy will expand woodland cover and protect existing woodland?

Do you agree that this policy will expand woodland cover and protect existing woodland?:

A key policy areas that is not included in Policy 34, is the need to ensure that our rivers can adapt to climate-induced warming through the planting of native riverside trees, to help shade the rivers and prevent damaging temperature rises. We wish to see specific mention and support for this key priority included in the national planning framework.

We are also concerned that present policy still largely permits the replanting of commercial forestry on deep peat – a practice that is not permitted for new forestry. This is incompatible with Policy 33 and the inappropriate nature of this practice should be explicitly stated in the national planning framework.

53 Policy 35: Coasts. Do you agree that this policy will help our coastal areas adapt to climate change and support the sustainable development of coastal communities?

Do you agree that this policy will help our coastal areas adapt to climate change and support the sustainable development of coastal communities?:

There is no reference in this section to the protection of important habitats which act as carbon sinks. Specific reference to protection of such habitats should be made here.

Questions - Part 4 - Delivering our spatial strategy

54 Do you agree with our proposed priorities for the delivery of the spatial strategy?

Do you agree with our proposed priorities for the delivery of the spatial strategy?:

It is not immediately clear to us what 'infrastructure first' actually means in practice. Given the emphasis placed on addressing the climate and biodiversity crises, we consider that a 'nature first' approach would be more appropriate.

See our earlier comments relating to pumped storage hydro schemes.

55 Do you have any other comments on the delivery of the spatial strategy?

Do you have any other comments on the delivery of the spatial strategy?:

No specific comments.

Questions - Part 5 - Annexes

56 Annex A. Do you agree that the development measures identified will contribute to each of the outcomes identified in section 3A(3)(c) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997?

Do you agree that the development measures identified will contribute to each of the outcomes identified in section 3a(3)(c) of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997? :

No specific comments.

57 Annex B. Do you agree with the minimum all-tenure housing land requirement (mathlr) numbers identified above?

Do you agree with the minimum all-tenure housing land requirement (mathlr) numbers identified above?:

No specific comments.

58 Annex C. Do you agree with the definitions set out above? Are there any other terms it would be useful to include in the glossary?

Do you agree with the definitions set out above? Are there any other terms it would be useful to include in the glossary?:

No specific comments.

Questions - Integrated Impact Assessments

59 Environmental Report. What are your views on the accuracy and scope of the environmental baseline set out in the environmental report?

What are your views on the accuracy and scope of the environmental baseline set out in the environmental report? :

60 Environmental Report. What are your views on the predicted environmental effects of the draft NPF4 as set out in the environmental report? Please give details of any additional relevant sources.

What are your views on the predicted environmental effects of the draft NPF4 as set out in the environmental report? Please give details of any additional relevant sources.:

61 Environmental Report. What are your views on the potential health effects of the proposed national developments as set out in the environmental report?

What are your views on the potential health effects of the proposed national developments as set out in the environmental report?:

62 Environmental Report. What are your views on the assessment of alternatives as set out in the environmental report?

What are your views on the assessment of alternatives as set out in the environmental report?:

63 Environmental Report. What are your views on the proposals for mitigation, enhancement and monitoring of the environmental effects set out in the environmental report?

What are your views on the proposals for mitigation, enhancement and monitoring of the environmental effects set out in the environmental report?:

64 Society and Equalities Impact Assessment. What are your views on the evidence and information to inform the society and equalities impact assessment?

What are your views on the evidence and information to inform the society and equalities impact assessment?:

65 Society and Equalities Impact Assessment.Do you have any comments on the findings of the equalities impact assessment?

Do you have any comments on the findings of the equalities impact assessment?:

66 Society and Equalities Impact Assessment.Do you have any comments on the findings of the children's rights and wellbeing impact assessment?

Do you have any comments on the findings of the children's rights and wellbeing impact assessment?:

67 Society and Equalities Impact Assessment.Do you have any comments on the fairer Scotland duty and the draft NPF4?

Do you have any comments on the fairer Scotland duty and the draft NPF4?:

68 Society and Equalities Impact Assessment.Do you have any comments on the consideration of human rights and the draft NPF4?

Do you have any comments on the consideration of human rights and the draft NPF4?:

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69 Society and Equalities Impact Assessment.Do you have any comments on the islands impact assessment?

Do you have any comments on the islands impact assessment?:

70 Business and Regulatory Impact Assessment.Do you have any comments on the partial business and regulatory impact assessment?

Do you have any comments on the partial business and regulatory impact assessment? :

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