Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform Committee

Scottish Crown Estate Bill

Written submission from

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Does the Bill allow Crown Estate Scotland, or a delegated manager, to appropriately manage the Scottish assets?

The Bill appears to have addressed all pertinent issues although it gives no direction on how far management of the asset may be devolved. This could have significant importance where the asset is small and may require a particular set of knowledge and management skills to maintain the asset and obtain best benefit, For example a small salmon fishery where local knowledge and dedicated people would be of more benefit than say a local authority whose financial, workload, and other burdens would possibly be more important than the good management of the asset. This could be seen as an important factor when considering social and environmental issues associated with the asset.

Are the powers to allow the transfer of the management function appropriate?

The powers to allow the transfer of the management function appear to be appropriate and we have no comment on these.

Are the managers' powers and duties as listed in the Bill appropriate?

The managers' powers and duties as listed in the Bill appear to be appropriate and we have no comment on these.

Should any additional power or function of the Scottish Crown Estate not currently provided for in the Bill be included?

No Comment

Any additional information

Nil

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