

Dear sir/madam,

The Town and Country Planning (Marine Fish Farming) (Scotland) Amendment Order 2025

I would be grateful if you could draw this email to the attention of your aquaculture planning colleagues who deal with planning consents for fish farms.

The Rural Affairs and Islands Committee is currently considering the above statutory instrument and would be grateful if you could provide the following information on behalf of your local authority—

- Do you agree with local authorities being designated as the planning authority for considering proposals aquaculture developments from 3-12 nautical miles?
- Are you content with the proposed boundaries of marine planning zones under the SSI?
- Do you have any other concerns or views on the SSI, particularly with regards to cost and resource/expertise implications for local authority planning departments?

If you have any questions in relation to this email, please do not hesitate to contact me.

It would be helpful if you could provide a **response by close of play next Wednesday 21 May**.

Thanks,
Emma

Emma Johnston
Clerk to the Rural Affairs and Islands Committee