Dear Sir/Madam,

Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005

SEA Post-Screening Determination Statement

Supplementary Guidance to the Shetland LDP - Aquaculture

Section 8(1) of the Environmental Assessment (Scotland) Act 2005 requires responsible authorities to determine if a plan or programme is likely to have a significant environmental impact. In regard to the preparation and adoption of Supplementary Guidance (SG) to the Local Development Plan, Shetland Islands Council is a responsible authority in terms of the 2005 Act.

As required by sections 9(1) and 9(2) of the 2005 Act, the Council has prepared a summary of its views on the likely significant environmental effects of this SG and consulted Historic Environment Scotland, the Scottish Environment Protection Agency and Scottish Natural Heritage on this. In line with their comments the Council has determined that the SG – Aquaculture is unlikely to have any significant environmental effects and neither SEA nor an Environmental Report will be required.

A statement explaining the reasons for the Council’s determination has been prepared and along with this determination is available for viewing, free of charge, either on the Council’s website (www.shetland.gov.uk/ldp) or at the above address.
Should there be a need for any further information please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,

(signed) Martin Holmes

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