

## **6 Consultation and Scoping**

### **6.1 Introduction**

#### **Consultation**

- 6.1.1 Consultation has provided an iterative and ongoing input to the progression of the proposed scheme throughout the EIA and design process. This chapter summarises the consultation undertaken and provides a summary of the key issues raised and how these have been taken into account.
- 6.1.2 The chapter describes the consultation activities undertaken as part of the EIA which commenced in January 2008, and includes both DMRB Stage 2 route corridor assessment and DMRB Stage 3 assessment of the proposed scheme as reported within this ES.
- 6.1.3 The main aims of EIA consultation were to:
- ensure that statutory consultees, other bodies with a particular interest in the environment, and members of the public were informed of the proposals and provided with an opportunity to comment;
  - collate baseline information regarding existing environmental site conditions;
  - obtain input to the identification of potential impacts and the development of appropriate mitigation; and
  - inform scope of EIA (see below).
- 6.1.4 Further information on the landowner consultation is provided in the DMRB Stage 3 Scheme Assessment Report. Further information on Transport Scotland's public engagement and consultation activities can be found in Engaging with Communities (Transport Scotland, 2008) and the Public Information Exhibitions: Feedback and Outcomes Report (Transport Scotland, 2009a). Issues raised during these consultations relevant to the EIA have been incorporated into the assessment, where appropriate. A report is also currently being prepared outlining how the consultation commitments set out in Engaging with Communities have been carried out; this report will be made publicly available in late 2009.

#### **Scoping**

- 6.1.5 As explained in Chapter 5 (Overview of Assessment Process), the scope of the EIA of the proposed scheme was defined following DMRB assessment guidance. However, the scope was also informed by the consultation process described in this chapter; through review of information received and issues raised, and by a range of technical discussions on detailed methodologies.
- 6.1.6 The specific aims of EIA scoping were to:
- identify key environmental issues to be considered as part of the EIA; and
  - agree appropriate detailed methodologies for technical assessments with statutory consultees such as SNH and SEPA.

### **6.2 Approach and Methods**

- 6.2.1 The approach to consultation and scoping for the proposed scheme is described below.

**Identification of Consultees**

- 6.2.2 The process undertaken in identifying relevant consultees for the proposed scheme aimed to ensure that all relevant consultees were included. This involved the following stages:
- Review of consultees involved on other major projects and related studies in the Forth Estuary area. These included the Upper Forth Crossing (now Clackmannanshire Bridge) (Babtie Group, 2003), Setting Forth (ERM, 1996) and previous studies undertaken for the proposed scheme (Jacobs et al. 2007a, 2007b). The list of consultees involved in the Strategic Transport Project Review (STPR) was also reviewed and used to identify consultees for the proposed scheme.
  - Input from the project team environmental specialists. The project team reviewed and updated the initial list of consultees with organisations and local environmental groups of importance to their area of expertise e.g. Fife and Kinross Bat Group, Edinburgh and Lothians Badger Group.
  - Consideration of the scale, size and impact of the proposed scheme. In addition to those directly affected by the proposed scheme (e.g. landowners), communities and local authorities outwith the direct area of influence were included where there was potential for the proposed scheme to affect them e.g. Midlothian Council and Aberdour Community Council.
- 6.2.3 Over 160 consultees were identified through this process and were consulted at key stages in the EIA. The organisations consulted and information they provided relevant to the EIA are listed in Appendix A6.1.

**Stages of Consultation**

- 6.2.4 The timescale over which the EIA consultation was carried out is summarised in Table 6.1 and described further below.

**Table 6.1: Timescale of EIA Consultations**

Date of Consultations/Scoping Exercise	Description	Consultees
March 2008	DMRB Stage 2 consultation	All consultees as identified in Appendix A6.1.
November 2008	Pedestrians, Cyclists, Equestrians and Community Effects consultation	Only consultees with an interest in recreational activities, as listed in paragraph 6.2.7.
December 2008	DMRB Stage 3 consultation	All consultees as identified in Appendix A6.1.
19-31 January 2009	Public Exhibitions	General public.
March 2008-July 2009	Consultation Meetings	As identified in Table 6.2
July-August 2009	Consultation on the Draft Code of Construction Practice.	As listed in paragraph 6.2.15.
August 2009	Public Information Boards	General public.

DMRB Stage 2 Consultation Letters (March 2008)

- 6.2.5 In March 2008, as part of the DMRB Stage 2 consultation, consultees were contacted by letter, informing them of the proposed scheme, requesting that they provide specific baseline information that they may hold, and providing them with an opportunity to comment on the proposed scheme. The information requested was tailored specifically for each consultee. A plan of the study area accompanied the letter. An example of the Stage 2 letter and accompanying plan is provided in Appendix A6.2.

Pedestrians, Cyclists, Equestrians and Community Effects Consultation (November 2008)

- 6.2.6 In November 2008, consultation letters were issued to selected consultees regarding the assessment of Pedestrians, Cyclists, Equestrians and Community Effects (Chapter 17). This additional consultation was undertaken in order to ensure the baseline information (paths,

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cycleways, equestrian routes, and community facilities) gathered was accurate and representative. Plans accompanied the letter showing the baseline information collected to date. Consultees were asked to review the plans and confirm that they accurately represented the existing paths, cycleways, equestrian routes and facilities, annotating and returning the plans as required. An example of the letter is provided in Appendix A6.2.

6.2.7 The following consultees were identified as having an interest in recreational activities and therefore issued with a letter and accompanying plans:

- British Horse Society;
- Cycling Scotland;
- Cyclist Touring Club;
- Forestry Commission;
- Forth Canoe Club;
- Inverkeithing Community Council;
- Kirkliston Community Council;
- Newton Community Council;
- North Queensferry Boat and Sports Club;
- North Queensferry Community Council;
- Queensferry District Community Council;
- Ramblers Association;
- Rosyth Community Council;
- Royal Forth Yacht Club;
- Scottish Canoe Association;
- Scotways;
- Spokes;
- SNH;
- Sustrans;
- West Lothian Bridleways Association; and
- Winchburgh Community Council.

6.2.8 Meetings were also held with access officers from the three local authorities (City of Edinburgh Council, Fife Council and West Lothian Council) and Sustrans to discuss baseline information.

#### DMRB Stage 3 Consultation (December 2008)

6.2.9 Following the Ministerial announcement in December 2008, as part of the more detailed Stage 3 assessment, consultees were issued with information packs and letters providing an update on the developing scheme proposals, and requesting relevant baseline information. A plan of the proposed scheme showing the latest design and indicative junction layouts accompanied the letter. An example of the Stage 3 letter and accompanying plan is provided in Appendix A6.2.

#### Public Exhibitions (20 – 31 January 2009)

6.2.10 A series of public exhibitions were held at various locations throughout Edinburgh, Fife and the Lothians for a period of two weeks in January 2009. These were attended by more than 2,200

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people. The exhibitions provided the general public with the opportunity to gain more information on the developing scheme proposals, and have their questions answered by representatives from Transport Scotland and Jacobs Arup, who staffed the exhibitions.

- 6.2.11 To support the exhibitions, information packs were produced containing a summary of the information on display, maps of the proposed scheme and feedback forms. The packs were also made available at information points set up in libraries and community centres. Feedback was specifically sought on the following issues relating to the proposed scheme: environment, accessibility, public transport, and construction. The completed forms were collated and distributed to the project team so that relevant information could be incorporated into the assessments. A copy of the feedback form is provided in Appendix A6.2. The Feedback and Outcomes Report provides a summary of the public feedback from the exhibitions.

#### Consultation Meetings (March 2008-July 2009)

- 6.2.12 Consultation meetings were ongoing throughout the EIA process. These meetings provided an opportunity for issues to be raised and discussed with the relevant consultees. Meetings were either one-to-one, with individual organisations, or joint, where several organisations held similar interests, e.g. SNH, SEPA and Marine Scotland (previously Fisheries Research Services).
- 6.2.13 The meetings referred to in this chapter relate to technical meetings that were held for the purposes of the EIA and do not include all briefings and meetings held by Transport Scotland that were focused on strategic, high-level discussions.
- 6.2.14 An environmental stakeholder group was set up in March 2008, convening on an approximately monthly basis with the objective of enabling key consultees to be kept up to date with project progress, providing a forum for informing the progressing design and environmental assessment, and to ensure consistency of advice both within and between organisations. This group was formalised as the Environmental Reference Group in March 2009 and now includes representatives of Jacobs Arup and Transport Scotland, plus Historic Scotland, SEPA, SNH, City of Edinburgh Council, Fife Council and West Lothian Council. Marine Scotland is also a member of this key environmental stakeholder group due to the estuarine location and environmental sensitivity.

#### Consultation on the Draft Code of Construction Practice (July - August 2009)

- 6.2.15 In July and August 2009 consultation was held on the draft version of the Code of Construction Practice (CoCP) to enable comments on the measures set out within it to be provided. The CoCP sets out a series of objectives and measures to be applied throughout the construction period. Transport Scotland consulted on the following: structure and outline of the CoCP; proposed working hours; proposals to control and limit noise and access routes for construction traffic. The following organisations were consulted:
- BEAR Scotland;
  - City of Edinburgh Council;
  - Fife Constabulary;
  - Fife Council;
  - Fife Fire and Rescue Service;
  - Forth Estuary Transport Authority;
  - Historic Scotland;
  - Inverkeithing Community Council;
  - Kirkliston Community Council.
  - Lothian and Borders Fire and Rescue Service;

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- Lothian and Borders Police;
- Marine Scotland;
- Newton Community Council;
- North Queensferry Community Council;
- Queensferry and District Community Council;
- Rosyth Community Council;
- Scottish Ambulance Service;
- SEPA;
- SNH; and
- West Lothian Council.

6.2.16 Transport Scotland considered comments received in response to the consultation in finalising the CoCP which is provided as Appendix A19.1 to Chapter 19 (Disruption Due to Construction).

#### Public Information Boards (August 2009)

6.2.17 In August 2009, information display boards were placed at various venues to the north and south of the Forth for a period of two weeks. The display boards provided communities with the latest information about the proposals specific to their area. This included the following:

- landscape, noise and ecology mitigation;
- information on the construction compounds;
- information from the Code of Construction Practice; and
- information about compulsory purchase, compensation and the parliamentary process.

6.2.18 The mitigation boards shown incorporated feedback from the consultations held in January, as described above. The boards also confirmed that further public exhibitions would be held in November 2009 to present the Bill documents to the public.

#### **Parliamentary Bill Consultation Requirements**

6.2.19 In accordance with Parliamentary guidance on Hybrid Bills (Scottish Parliament, 2009), the mandatory consultees for the proposed scheme are identified as SNH, SEPA, Historic Scotland, Fife Council, The City of Edinburgh Council, and West Lothian Council. These consultees formed part of the Environmental Reference Group as described above.

6.2.20 The key requirements of the guidance with respect to consultation on environmental impact are:

- to provide 'consultation material' to the consultees at least two months in advance of the Bill's introduction; and
- to provide at least 28 days for consultees to issue a written response to the consultation material.

6.2.21 Although the mandatory consultees were widely consulted throughout the EIA process, a consolidated package of Environmental Consultation Material was issued to the Environmental Reference Group in June 2009. This provided a summary of the nature and purpose of the proposed scheme, the affected land, the likely effects and mitigation based on the Stage 3 EIA, the need for appropriate assessment and the scoping of the ES.

6.2.22 Following issue of the Environmental Consultation Material, one day workshops were held on 15 July 2009 and 23 July 2009 to provide more detail on mitigation and residual impacts and to discuss any comments on the information provided.

## 6.3 Consultation Summary

### Consultee Communication

6.3.1 Table 6.2 below presents a summary of the consultation meetings held as part of the EIA process from January 2008 to July 2009. As previously noted consultation is an iterative and ongoing feature of the project and will therefore continue beyond that reported within the ES.

6.3.2 In addition to the meetings listed in Table 6.2 there was ongoing communication between consultees and the project team via email, telephone and letter throughout the EIA process from January 2008 to July 2009. The consultees were able to provide up-to-date baseline information and advice was sought on scope of work and assessment methods to progress the EIA.

6.3.3 Where recommendations were made by consultees to include elements of work in the EIA, these were discussed in detail with the project team and implemented where appropriate e.g.: red squirrel surveys requested by Fife Coast and Countryside Trust; and additional sites of cultural heritage interest and a marine archaeological assessment requested by Historic Scotland.

6.3.4 Other discussions with consultees included advice and agreements on assessment methods e.g. scope of the Reports to Inform an Appropriate Assessment with SNH; locations of viewpoints for visual assessment with SNH; coastal modelling approach with FRS, SEPA and SNH; and flood risk assessment with SEPA.

**Table 6.2: Summary of EIA Consultation Meetings**

Consultee	Topic/Purpose	Date
<b>Statutory/Mandatory Consultees</b>		
SNH	Transport Scotland project and environment briefing.	March 2008
	Transport Scotland project update and review of Stage 2 route options.	August 2008
	Technical meetings, including discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St. Margaret's Marsh SSSI (including a site visit to discuss ground investigation works and mitigation).</li> <li>• Firth of Forth SPA, Forth Islands SPA and River Teith SAC.</li> <li>• Site visit to Ferry Hills SSSI to discuss rock cuts and landscape mitigation.</li> <li>• Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUDS).</li> <li>• Bridge construction.</li> <li>• Landscape assessment approach and mitigation.</li> <li>• Coastal modelling (joint with Marine Scotland &amp; SEPA).</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> </ul>	May 2008 - July 2009
SEPA	Transport Scotland project and environment briefing.	May 2008 & January 2009
	Transport Scotland project update and review of Stage 2 route options.	September 2008
	Technical meetings, including a discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• St. Margaret's Marsh SSSI (including a site visit to discuss ground investigation works and mitigation).</li> <li>• Controlled Activities Regulations (CAR) licensing requirements.</li> <li>• Sustainable Drainage Systems (SUDS).</li> <li>• Flood risk.</li> <li>• Water quality.</li> <li>• Coastal modelling (joint with Marine Scotland &amp; SNH).</li> <li>• Air quality monitoring.</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> </ul>	May 2008 - July 2009

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<b>Consultee</b>	<b>Topic/Purpose</b>	<b>Date</b>
Historic Scotland	Transport Scotland project and environment briefing.	March 2008 & January 2009
	Transport Scotland project update and review of Stage 2 route options	August 2008
	Technical meetings, including discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Port Edgar Barracks (including site visit).</li> <li>• Listed buildings (St. Margaret's Hope Arch).</li> <li>• Dundas Designed Landscape (including site visit).</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> </ul>	August 2008 - July 2009
Marine Scotland	Transport Scotland project and environment briefing.	March 2008
	Technical meetings, including a discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coastal Modelling (joint with SEPA and SNH).</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> </ul>	January 2009 - July 2009
Fife Council	Transport Scotland project update and review of Stage 2 route options.	June 2008 & January 2009
	Technical meetings, including a discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Planning proposals and applications.</li> <li>• Air quality monitoring.</li> <li>• Pedestrians, cyclists (including National Cycle Routes), equestrians and community effects.</li> <li>• Noise.</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> <li>• Code of Construction Practice.</li> </ul>	January 2009 - July 2009
The City of Edinburgh Council	Transport Scotland project update and review of Stage 2 route options	June 2008
	Technical meetings, including a discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Air quality monitoring.</li> <li>• Planning proposals and applications.</li> <li>• Noise.</li> <li>• Flood risk.</li> <li>• Pedestrians, cyclists, equestrians and community effects.</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> <li>• Code of Construction Practice.</li> </ul>	February 2009 - July 2009
West Lothian Council	Transport Scotland project and environment briefing.	March 2008 & January 2009
	Transport Scotland project update and review of Stage 2 route options.	June 2008
	Technical meetings, including a discussion of the following key elements: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Noise.</li> <li>• Planning proposals and applications.</li> <li>• Pedestrians, cyclists, equestrians and community effects.</li> <li>• Various issues discussed at Environmental Reference Group Meetings.</li> <li>• Code of Construction Practice.</li> </ul>	January 2009 – July 2009
<b>Non-Mandatory Consultees</b>		
BAA	• Landscape mitigation and associated bird hazards.	March 2008
FETA	• Transport Scotland project and environment briefing.	January 2009
	• Forth Road Bridge.	February 2008
National Museums of Scotland	• Port Edgar Barracks, including a site visit (joint with Historic Scotland).	February 2009 & April 2009
People Friendly Design	• Disabled access design issues.	March 2009
Sustrans	• National Cycle Routes (joint with Fife Council)	March 2009
Scottish Environment Link	• Landscape and ecology assessments and proposed mitigation.	July 2009

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#### Public Consultation

- 6.3.5 Public consultation is regarded as an important element in the design and environmental assessment process for the proposed scheme. Transport Scotland's commitment to encouraging public involvement is set out in the Engaging with Communities document published in September 2008 (Transport Scotland, 2008).
- 6.3.6 As noted in 6.2.10, public exhibitions were held from 20 to 31 January 2009 to present the latest proposals for the scheme and to seek feedback. Feedback was specifically sought on refinements which could be made to the design of the connecting roads within the selected corridor, environmental impacts and mitigation measures, public transport and construction issues.
- 6.3.7 Over 200 responses to the public consultation were received. The feedback was reviewed by the assessment team and incorporated into the assessment and design process where appropriate. The following are examples of changes made to the design as a result of comments received at the public exhibitions or during subsequent ongoing liaison:
- Queensferry Junction was moved further west, taking into consideration the response to concerns raised by nearby residents.
  - A potential alternative location for the main construction compound has been identified and included in the proposals as a result of local concerns regarding the proposed location at Echline fields. The alternative location is positioned further to the west. Assessment of the compound in this location is presented in Chapter 19 (Disruption Due to Construction).
  - The elevation of Queensferry Junction has been lowered to the same level as the existing A904 with the main carriageway passing below to reduce the visual impacts to nearby residents.
  - The junction between the A904 Builyleon Road and the B924 Bo'ness Road has been changed from a roundabout to a T-junction.
  - The embankment on the main carriageway to the south of South Queensferry has been lowered.
  - The B981 has been realigned in part to maintain local access to and from North Queensferry during construction.
  - Following a meeting with Dundas Home Farm residents, the mitigation proposed was re-visited in response to their concerns regarding noise and visual impacts.
- 6.3.8 A summary of the comments received from the public exhibitions, and description of how they were addressed is presented in the Feedback and Outcomes Report (Transport Scotland, 2009a).
- 6.3.9 Further public consultation was undertaken in June 2009 with local community groups to discuss environmental mitigation and construction activities. Transport Scotland and representatives from Jacobs Arup met with Kirkliston Community Council, South Queensferry Residents, Linnmill Residents Association, Queensferry and District Community Council, North Queensferry Community Council, Inverkeithing Community Council and Rosyth Community Council.

#### 6.4 Key Issues Raised by Consultees

- 6.4.1 Table 6.3 provides a matrix of the input from consultees in the context of the environmental parameters reported in this ES.
- 6.4.2 Appendix A6.3 provides further details of the key input provided by consultees through the consultation process described in this chapter in relation to environmental issues. Appendix A6.3 also provides a response to key queries/comments and, where appropriate, explains how these were taken into account as part of the EIA process, including cross-referencing to the relevant chapters of the ES.

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**Table 6.3: Scoping Matrix of Key Consultee Responses**

Consultee	Environmental Parameter														
	General	Land Use	Geology, Contaminated Land and Groundwater	Water Environment	Terrestrial and Freshwater Ecology	Estuarine Ecology	Landscape	Visual	Cultural Heritage	Air Quality	Noise	Pedestrians, Cyclists, Equestrians and Community Effects	Vehicle Travellers	Disruption Due to Construction	Policies and Plans
Architecture & Design Scotland							•								
BAA Airports				•			•							•	
Botanical Society of British Isles (BSBI)					•										
British Geological Survey			•												
British Trust for Ornithology (BTO)						•									
British Waterways Scotland		•													
Clyde River Foundation					•										
Civil Aviation Authority	•														
Dalgety Bay Sailing Club														•	
Defra						•									
East Lothian Council															•
Echoes Ecology Ltd.					•										
Edinburgh Biodiversity Partnership					•										
Edinburgh and Lothians Badger Group					•										
Edinburgh Natural History Society	•														
Fife Bat Group					•										
Fife Biological Records Centre					•	•									
Fife Bird Club					•	•									
Fife Coast and Countryside Trust					•										
Fife Council			•				•				•	•			•
Marine Scotland						•									

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Forestry Commission Scotland					•							•			
Forth & Tay Disabled Ramblers (FTDR)												•			
Forth Estuary Transport Authority (FETA)	•														
Forth Ports				•										•	
Forth Sea Bird Group						•									
Forth Tunnel Action Group (Forthtag)	•														
Friends of the Earth										•					
Historic Scotland							•		•						
Inverkeithing Community Council			•												
Lothian Amphibian & Reptile Group					•										
Lothian Wildlife Information Centre					•	•									
Midlothian Council					•										
National Biodiversity Network (NBN)					•	•									
National Museums of Scotland														•	
North Queensferry Community Council			•									•			
North Queensferry Heritage Trust		•	•				•		•	•		•		•	
People Friendly Design												•			
Port Edgar Marina		•												•	
Proudman Oceanographic Laboratory (POL)				•											
Queensferry & District Community Council (South)												•			
Ramblers Association												•			
Raptor Study Group Lothian and Borders					•										

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Rosyth Community Council												•			
Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB)					•	•									
Scottish Badgers					•										
Scottish Confederation of University and Research Libraries (SCURL) Special Needs Group												•			
Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA)		•	•	•	•	•									
Scottish Fisheries Protection Agency (now Marine Scotland)		•												•	
Scottish Government Climate Change and Water Industry Directorate			•	•											
Scottish Government Rural Directorate (formerly SEERAD)		•													
Scottish Pelagic Fisherman's Association		•												•	
Scottish Public Health Observatory	•														
Scottish Natural Heritage (SNH)					•		•		•						
Scottish Water				•											
Scotways												•			
Sea Watch Foundation						•									
SEAZONE				•											
Sea Mammal Research Unit						•									
SPOKES Edinburgh												•			
SUSTRANS												•			
Take Pride in Fife Environmental Information Centre					•	•									

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The City of Edinburgh Council			•				•		•			•			•
The Crown Estate		•													
The Garden History Society							•		•						
United Kingdom Meteorological Office (UKMO)				•											
Visit Scotland												•			
West Lothian Bridleways Association												•			
West Lothian Council												•			
West of Scotland Archaeological Service (WoSAS)									•						
<b>No Comments or Issues Raised</b>															
Aberdour Community Council	Forth Estuary Forum								Scottish Chamber of Commerce						
Airth Parish Community Council (Falkirk)	Forth Fisheries Foundation (Data Managed By RAFTS)								Scottish Civic Trust						
Area Advisory Group (Forth)	Forth Right Alliance								Scottish Environment Link						
Association of Scottish Shellfish Growers	Greenpeace								Scottish Fishermen's Federation						
Blackness Community Council	Hawk and Owl Trust								Scottish Government Marine Directorate (now Marine Scotland)						
Bo'ness Community Council	Health and Safety Executive								Scottish Ornithological Club (SOC)						
British Divers Marine Life Rescue (BDMLR)	Health Scotland								Scottish Rural Property & Business Association (formerly SLF)						
British Horse Society	Hebridean Whale and Dolphin Trust								Scottish Wildlife Trust						
British Herpetological Society	Heritage Railway Association								SEAZONE						
Bug Life Scotland	Heriot-Watt University - School of Life Sciences								South East of Scotland Transport Partnership (SEStran)						
Centre for Ecology and Hydrology (CEH)	Joint Nature Conservative Committee (JNCC)								Stirling Council						
Central Scotland Bat Group	Kincardine Community Council								South Lanarkshire Council						

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<b>No Comments or Issues Raised</b>		
Charleston, Limekilns & Pattiesmuir Community Council	Kirkliston Community Council	Tay Ringing Group
Clackmannanshire Council	Lothian Bat Group	The Bat Conservation Trust
Council of Scottish Archaeology	Mammal Society	The Cockburn Association
Cramond Angling Club	Midlothian & East Lothian Chamber of Commerce	The Forth Yacht Clubs Association
Cramond Community Council	Mobility and Access Committee (MAC)	TRANSCO
Crombie Community Council	National Farmers Union	Transform
Cycling Scotland	National Trust for Scotland	Turnhouse Golf Club
Cyclist Touring Club	Newton Community Council (West Lothian)	United Kingdom Hydrographic Office (UKHO)
Dalgety Bay & Hillend Community Council	North Queensferry Boat and Sports Club	University of Edinburgh
Deep Sea World	Passenger FOCUS	University of Glasgow
Edinburgh Chamber of Commerce	Perth & Kinross Council	University of Stirling
Falkirk Council	Pitcorthie Community Council	Vincent Wildlife Trust
Fife Chamber of Commerce and Enterprise Ltd	Plantlife UK	Waterski Scotland
Fife Environmental Network	Queensferry Boat Club	Wetlands Bird Survey (WeBS): Lothian Coordination
Fife Ornithological Atlas Group	RAFTS	Whale and Dolphin Conservation Society (WDGS)
Forth Bridges Visitor Centre	Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments for Scotland	Wildfowl and Wetlands Trust
Forth Canoe Club	Royal Forth Yacht Club	Winchburgh Community Council
Forth Cruising Club	Scarborough Muir	Winchburgh Development
Forth District Salmon Fisheries Board	Scottish Canoe Association	World Wide Fund for Nature (WWF)

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