Annex E: Consultation Questions

The consultation sets out a number of proposed amendments. Views are invited on the following:

1) Where data relating to a citizen is held it should be accurate.
Do you agree that the approach suggested at paragraphs 9-11 is an effective approach to achieving this?

Yes ☐ No /

If No, please describe the approach you feel should be taken.
Comments – I think the NHS register should only be used for NHS purposes and the system in place for that is perfectly adequate.

2) We propose to extend the current ability to trace persons a) who go missing whilst in education and b) who should pay for treatment provided by the NHS .
Do you agree with these proposal set out in paragraphs 12-13?

Yes ☐ No /

If No please explain why not?
Comments – there is a great danger in centralising the information about citizens and making it available for many purposes. It really is like “Big Brother”.

3) In order to allow citizens to make use myaccount for a wider group of services (beyond health and local government), as set out in paragraphs 14-16, we propose to provide access to the bodies named in draft Schedule 3 (Annex B).
Are there any additional service providers who you feel should be included?

Comments – The dangers to our civil liberties of a central index are enormous. There should be no further bodies able to access the health register.

4) Do you consider that the proposals set out in paragraph 18 are an effective method to identify Scottish Tax payers?
Yes ☐ No /

If No please describe the approach you feel should be taken.
Comments – no further action should be taken to identify people. HMRC records should be confined to that department alone [other than in the circumstances where disclosure is currently permitted e.g. serious crimes].