

## CONSULTATION QUESTIONS

### 1. Do you agree with the proposals set out in the draft Scottish Marine Regions Order 2013?

Yes  No

If no, please explain why not and your suggested alternative(s).

The map shows a narrow gap between the main part of the Outer Hebrides SMR and the marine area around the World Heritage Site of St Kilda and Boreray. Given the level of activity between the larger islands of the Outer Hebrides and St Kilda, the Comhairle would prefer that the gap is closed to form a continuous area of sea within the marine region.

### 2. Do you have any further comments? In particular we are seeking views on

- the drafting of the Order;
- the co-ordinates establishing the marine region boundaries;
- the boundaries outlined at paragraph 8 above;
- the names of the regions suggested; and
- the illustrative map.

The name should be changed from Western Isles to Outer Hebrides which conforms to Comhairle policy and corresponds with the names of other island organisations.

### 3. Do you believe that the creation of Scottish Marine Regions discriminates disproportionately between persons defined by age, disability, sexual orientation, gender, race and religion and belief?

Yes  No

### 4. If you answered yes to question 3 in what way do you believe that the creation of Scottish Marine Regions is discriminatory?

Comments