



## Sullom Voe Harbour Area Master Plan Project

### The work to develop the Sullom Voe Master Plan continues

As you are aware the Shetland Islands Council is developing a Sullom Voe Master Plan which will guide future use of the Sullom Voe Harbour Area. To gather information and ideas about the current use and potential future of Sullom Voe we have held four public events and conducted an online survey. From this engagement process we gathered over 100 hundred responses. We have also spoken to community councils, industry organisations, conservation organisations and companies which currently have an interest in the area or may do so in the future.

### Findings so far

Results revealed that participants felt whilst the special natural aspects of the Sullom Voe Harbour Area should not be squandered, some level of sustainable development would be appropriate.

The process has shown that approximately 30% of respondents are not supportive of any further development, however the remaining 70% are, mostly, willing to discuss possible development. However, it is clear that there are significant constraints as to where, and what type of development would be welcome.

In addition, respondents were concerned that existing jobs should not be put in jeopardy from new developments. Activities to understand existing marine employment have included consulting with fishers and fisheries organisations to ensure existing fishing activity in the area is mapped.

We have now collated a comprehensive picture of existing uses of the Sullom Voe area, including areas which are important for wildlife, built heritage/ archaeology, communities and existing industries. We have also gathered information on the requirements of potential emerging industries including seaweed farming, aquaculture and renewables.

### Next Steps

We would like to check with communities whether the data collated is correct. We have also used the information to help us identify a series of zones where new development may be suitable in the future. To ensure that we have not missed any vital information in the development of the Sullom Voe Master Plan, we will have three drop in sessions to allow communities to provide comments and feedback.

### Drop-in Sessions

People are welcome to drop-in to discuss the master plan on 4th, 5th and 6th of June.

#### Yell Leisure Centre, Mid Yell

4th June

2.30pm - 7pm

Refreshments provided.

#### Ollaberry Hall

5th June

2.30pm-7pm

Refreshments provided

#### North Mainland Leisure Centre, Brae

6th June

2.30pm-6.45pm

Refreshments provided



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