

RURAL ECONOMY AND CONNECTIVITY COMMITTEE

SALMON FARMING IN SCOTLAND

SUBMISSION FROM NORTHMAVEN COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Northmaven Community Council would make the following comments:

- Shetland has lead the way in Marine Planning, resulting in a well-regulated and managed industry.
- Few industries have retained and expanded the rural population like salmon farming has.
- The industry is a good employer and there has been excellent economic spin-offs for local industry and businesses.
- The aquaculture industry has set up a number of community funds to assist coastal communities.
- There has been issues with abandoned equipment, but overall, the salmon industry is responsive to concerns from the community and reacts.