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Yes

FOR ORGANISATIONS ONLYPlease indicate which category best describes your organisation. Organisation with primary interest in:(Tick one only)

Other (incl. academic, land management orgs, private sector, etc.)

FOR INDIVIDUALS ONLYPlease indicate which category best describes you. Individual with primary interest in:(Tick one only)

Not Answered

Section 4: Budget for SRDP 2014-2020

Q1. How would you rate your satisfaction with the budget as a whole?

Quite dissatisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons

open text:
IfA welcomes the priority given to Agri-Environment-Climate schemes (a key mechanism through which the historic environment can be managed and protected), However, given the proposed level of transfer from Pillar 1 is less than the maximum 15%, the Institute would like to see further funds made available to such schemes.

Section 5: Rural Regional Delivery Partnership for Land Based Investments

Q2. Are you broadly satisfied with the new application and assessment process for land based investments outlined in Section 5?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:
IfA is pleased to note the involvement of Historic Scotland in the consideration of level 2 applications for agri-environment-climate schemes (paragraph 109 of the consultation document). Historic environment expertise should be involved in appropriate cases whatever the level of entry.

Section 6: Future Support for Less Favoured Areas

Q3. Should support for farmers operating in constrained areas be continued through the SRDP ?

Not Answered

open text:

Section 9: Agri-Environment-Climate Scheme

Q9. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposal for the Agri-Environment-Climate Scheme?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:
IfA welcomes the recognition at paragraph 195 of the consultation document that 'Historic Sites and Landscape' are 'key aspects' of the proposed scheme. However, the Institute would like to see the protection and management of all historic assets (not just those which are designated) fully supported within the scope of the scheme.

Section 11: Support for Co-operative Action

Q22. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposals for co-operation?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:

Section 14: LEADER

Q28. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposals for LEADER?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:
IfA particularly welcomes the expectation that LDS will include actions that contribute to enhancing cultural heritage (paragraph 302 of the consultation document).

Section 15: Knowledge Transfer and Innovation Fund (KTIF)

Q29. Do you agree with the range of options listed below which are being included within the KTIF scheme?

Skills development:
Yes

Vocational training:
Yes

Monitor farms:
Yes

Setting up an EIP network:
Yes

Q30. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposals for KTIF?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:
Training and skills development are crucial to the management and protection of the historic environment. The KTIF scheme should fully embrace knowledge and skills in relation to the historic environment.

Section 16: Advisory Service

Q31. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposals for the Advisory Service?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons

open text:
IfA welcomes the inclusion of 'Specialist advice – Archaeological and historic sites' within the remit of the proposed advisory service and wishes to see increased professional historic environment advice available to farmers and other land managers.

Section 17: Scottish Rural Network

Q32. Do you think the tasks set out below are the most appropriate ways for the SRN to add value to the implementation of the SRDP?

SRN website:
Yes, should be included

Gathering of good programme examples:
Yes, should be included

Disseminating information to the public:
Yes, should be included

Organisation of events:
Yes, should be included

Are there other activities or services you would like to see the Scottish Rural Network provide? Please specify

open text:
The management and protection of the historic environment needs to be fully integrated into these tasks.

Q33. Do you agree with the proposal to establish thematic working groups as an approach to supporting the Rural Development Programme priorities?

Yes

If No, please explain your reasons

open text:

Q34. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposals for the Scottish Rural Network?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:
Historic environment networks such as the Built Environment Forum Scotland (BEFS) should be involved.

Section 18: Communications

Q35. How would you rate your broad satisfaction with the proposals for communicating the new Scotland Rural Development Programme?

Quite satisfied

If you are dissatisfied, please briefly outline your reasons.

open text:

Section 19: Monitoring and Evaluation

Q36. Information used to monitor and evaluate the SRDP will be gathered from a mixture of data sources. Three key data sources required to capture monitoring and evaluation data are summarised in 'More information' below. We would welcome feedback on the approach outlined.

open text:

Q37. Are there any other data sources which could inform the impact of the programme?

Yes

If Yes, please specify

open text:
The Buildings at Risk Register for Scotland could help to inform the impact of the programme on the historic environment (i.e. the reduction in the number of buildings at risk). Similar data should be developed and used for all historic assets at risk (i.e. a Heritage at Risk Register for Scotland). Data from Historic Environment Records could also contribute to informing the impact of the programme upon the historic environment.

Q38. The Scottish Government has identified a number of gaps in the indicator requirements and has set out plans for addressing these gaps,outlined in 'More information' below. We would welcome feedback on the proposed approach to filling the gaps in the data (including other data sources) required by the European Commission.

open text:

Q39. Are there any other gaps that you wish to make us aware of?

Not Answered

If yes, please specify

open text:
There need to be appropriate indicators fully to reflect the impact of the programme upon the historic environment.

Q40. Are there any other data sources which could help us fill the data gaps?

Not Answered

If Yes, please specify

open text:

Section 21: Other Comments

If you have any further comments, please write them in the box below

open text:
The Institute for Archaeologists (IfA) is a professional body for the study and care of the historic environment. It promotes best practice in archaeology and provides a self-regulatory quality assurance framework for the sector and those it serves.

IfA has over 3,000 members and more than 70 registered practices across the United Kingdom. Its members work in all branches of the discipline: heritage management, planning advice, excavation, finds and environmental study, buildings recording, underwater and aerial archaeology, museums, conservation, survey, research and development, teaching and liaison with the community, industry and the commercial and financial sectors.

IfA's Scottish Group has over 200 members practising in the public, private and voluntary sector in Scotland. Furthermore, IfA is a member of the Built Environment Forum Scotland (BEFS), a network organisation that brings together non-governmental organisations and professional bodies that work with Scotland's built environment.