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PROSPECTIVE

## SCHEDULE 1

### PREPARATION, ADOPTION ETC. OF MARINE PLANS OR ANY AMENDMENT

#### *Independent investigation*

- 11 (1) Where the Scottish Ministers have published a consultation draft in accordance with paragraph 9, they must consider appointing an independent person to investigate the proposals contained in the draft and to report on them.
- (2) In deciding whether to appoint such a person, the Scottish Ministers must have regard to—
- (a) any representations received about the matters to be included in the proposed national marine plan or (as the case may be) the proposed regional marine plan in response to the invitation issued in pursuance of paragraph 4(3),
  - (b) any representations received about the proposals published in the consultation draft,
  - (c) such other matters as Scottish Ministers consider relevant.
- (3) The person so appointed must—
- (a) make recommendations,
  - (b) give reasons for the recommendations.
- (4) The Scottish Ministers must publish the recommendations and the reasons given for them in the report.

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