

The Blue Growth Farm Project Survey (Islay Survey)

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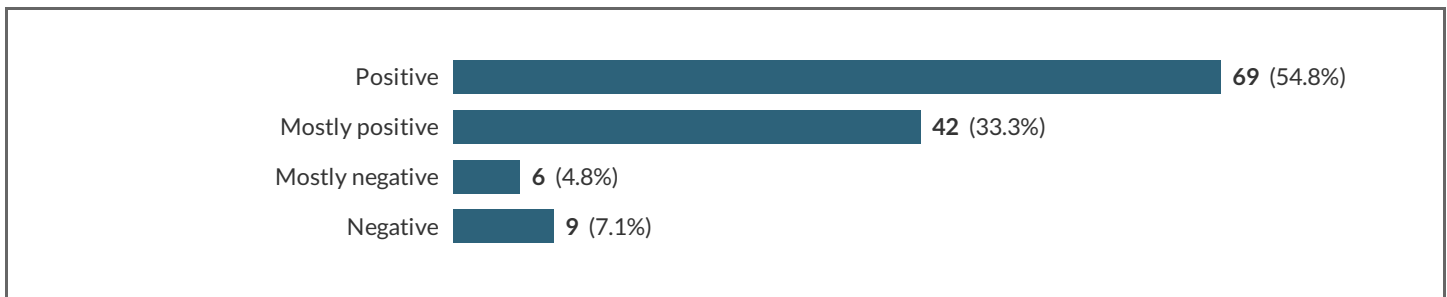
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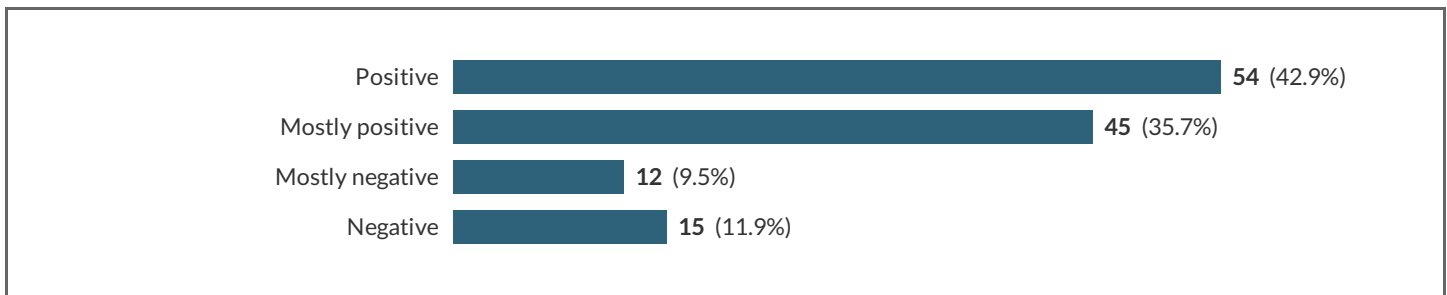
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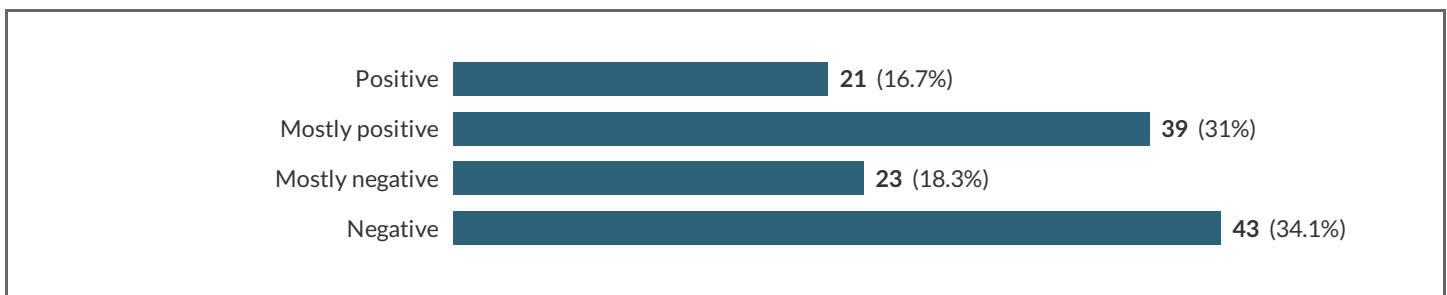
1 What is your opinion of wind turbines that are at sea and used for electricity generation?



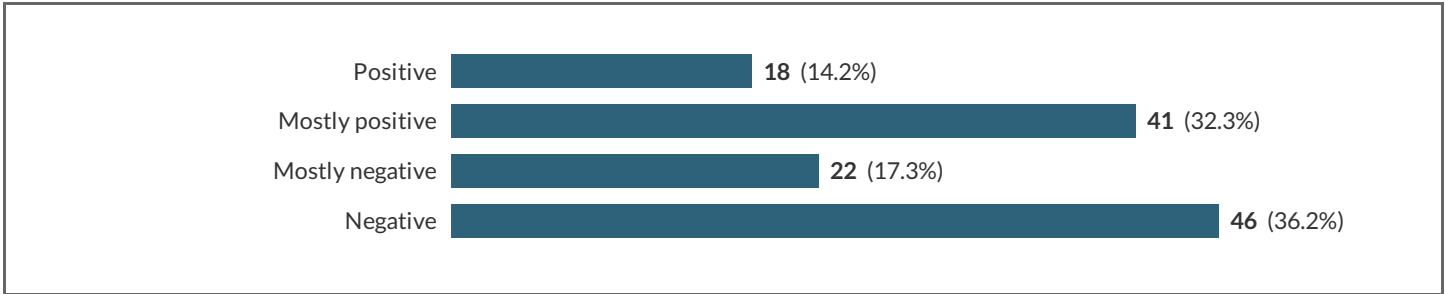
1.a What is your response to a proposal to install wind turbines in the Argyll sea area? (6 nautical miles and beyond)



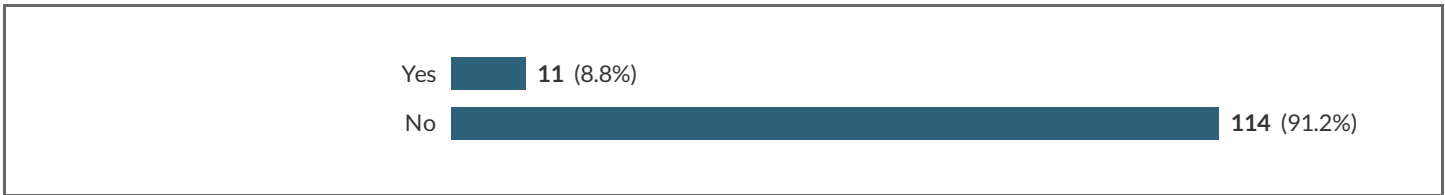
2 What is your opinion of farming of fish in the sea?



2.a What would your response be, to a proposal to place a fish farm in the Argyll sea area? (6 nautical miles and beyond)



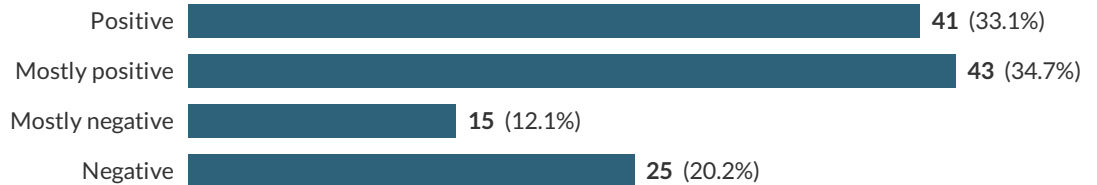
3 Excluding this survey, are you aware of the Blue Growth Farm project?



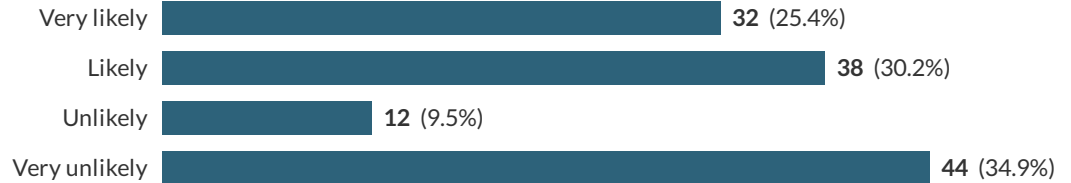
3.a If yes, how did you hear about it? (please describe source, e.g. online, brochure, word of mouth, etc)

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| word of mouth | 507776-507767-50802813 |
| Coastal Communities Network | 507776-507767-50895812 |
| Local residents communication, there is huge local objections to anything like this | 507776-507767-50896889 |
| On line very positive to use the sea power for energy | 507776-507767-50897979 |
| Online | 507776-507767-50905148 |
| Facebook | 507776-507767-51009733 |
| Conference | 507776-507767-51015579 |
| Online - Facebook and Twitter | 507776-507767-51021984 |
| Online | 507776-507767-51022376 |
| online | 507776-507767-51041578 |
| Online | 507776-507767-51065263 |
| Online | 507776-507767-51094814 |
| Online Facebook | 507776-507767-51094982 |
| The herald | 507776-507767-51095204 |

3.b Please look at the images above of the platform proposed by the BGF project. What is your first reaction to this type of technology?



3.c How likely are you to eat fish produced in one of these installations?



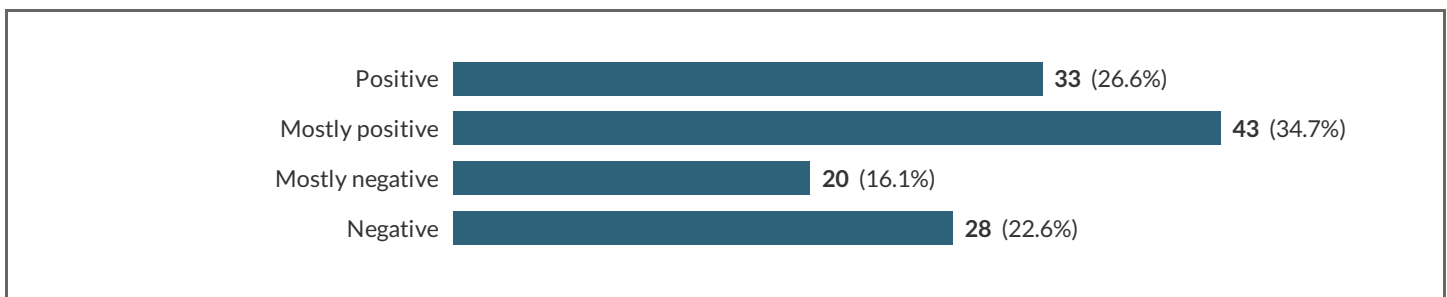
3.c.i If so, are there any reasons for your answer?

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| Fish farms intrude disease to wild fish | 507776-507767-50802813 |
| I already eat farmed fish | 507776-507767-50817025 |
| First, spell harvested correctly - gives a bad impression. 2. I'd rather eat fish produced in a controlled environment, rather than fish caught by trawler with much more damage done to marine life, especially via throwing dead fish and unwanted species back into the sea. | 507776-507767-50829352 |
| If this reduced the environmental impact of inshore fish farms | 507776-507767-50840078 |
| This would depend on the running operations of the facility, i.e. husbandry techniques and operations. | 507776-507767-50858599 |
| I worry about the impact on wild fish and have already tasted the distinct difference between farmed fish and wild fish, much prefer wild fish | 507776-507767-50891554 |
| Pollution and disease spread to natural fish stocks | 507776-507767-50895812 |
| poor health of farmed fish, impact on wild fish | 507776-507767-50896923 |
| Yes, on principal, Argyll needs to protect it's fantastic marine culture. Also, unknown data regarding Basking sharks has been gleaned. Your project cannot be allowed to even be considered. | 507776-507767-50896889 |
| No confidence in the ethics of the fish farming sector | 507776-507767-50899119 |
| Are you kidding, notwithstanding the chemicals which are used and the appalling conditions they are kept in, impacts to cetaceans and other wildlife. There is a much better model for fish farming if we really need to eat cheap protein, it can be done on land. | 507776-507767-50900889 |
| I would rather eat less fish but the fish that I do eat should be wild and | 507776-507767-50901496 |

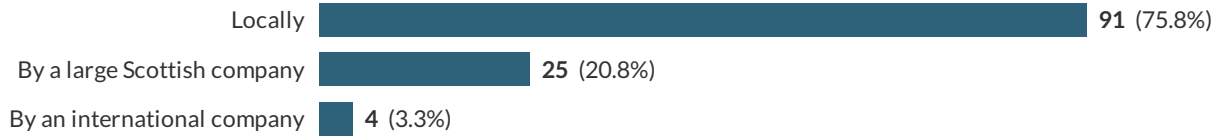
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| sustainable | |
| This method of fish production is unsustainable and environmentally damaging. | 507776-507767-50905148 |
| Pollution, cruelty, unsightly, impact on environment | 507776-507767-50909908 |
| It might be environmentally friendly but it would be very expensive. | 507776-507767-50950897 |
| The effect of disease on Farm reared salmon | 507776-507767-50989015 |
| Buyer supporting innovative methods of energy generation and farming. | 507776-507767-51004354 |
| To far out to sea to protect marine environment from trawlers | 507776-507767-51007193 |
| Yes because i work in aquaculture and think this is a good idea | 507776-507767-51007629 |
| I don't eat fish | 507776-507767-51007945 |
| vegetarian | 507776-507767-51011732 |
| Ethical considerations. | 507776-507767-51011922 |
| Vegetarian | 507776-507767-51015579 |
| My only query would be the impact of the turbine generating upon fish stress | 507776-507767-51016112 |
| Fish farming is environmentally unsound, is destroying fish stocks, and/the rainforest for feed and polluting the sea. | 507776-507767-51016213 |
| I don't like fish farms but also know fish stocks in the wild are very low so at least this is a controlled way to eat fish. | 507776-507767-51019467 |
| I just don't believe fish farming can be sustainably done. Feeding trawled fish to fish, using chemicals to de lice them, plus the waste that the fish produce. Not good. | 507776-507767-51020961 |
| Fish farming at sea is environmentally damaging on very many levels. Even in accessible locations, it is in reality totally unregulated and unaccountable for the damage it causes, and offshore would be even less open to scrutiny and accountability. Close containment is the only way forward without risk to the environment.. | 507776-507767-51022389 |
| If welfare and sustainability were carefully considered the I would eat fish from the installation | 507776-507767-51022446 |
| If the fish is sustainable and it is better for the environment then I am for it. | 507776-507767-51022376 |
| Don't believe that any current fish farming methods are humane and sustainable | 507776-507767-51023248 |
| Vegetarian | 507776-507767-51025533 |
| Scottish fish should be kept and eaten in Scotland for sustainability reasons | 507776-507767-51027696 |
| easy to cook, good taste | 507776-507767-51034331 |
| It looks environmentally friendly and showcases exciting, new technology (however, i don't eat much fish) | 507776-507767-51037418 |
| fish farming in open nets wherever is not environmentally sustainable | 507776-507767-51040031 |
| Fisherman > I catch my own . | 507776-507767-51041578 |
| Healthy to eat | 507776-507767-51063350 |
| Enjoy responsible raised fish | 507776-507767-51064441 |
| Ethical and biological issues | 507776-507767-51064897 |

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| Ethical and biological reasons | 507776-507767-51065172 |
| Don't taste as good as fresh wild salmon | 507776-507767-51066176 |
| Poor quality of fish | 507776-507767-51066797 |
| Don't eat fish | 507776-507767-51071515 |
| Ethical, the feed, antibiotics | 507776-507767-51075978 |
| Preferred wild fish | 507776-507767-51077376 |
| We need more information | 507776-507767-51077793 |
| If marketed locals | 507776-507767-51095547 |
| Don't taste as good as wild fish | 507776-507767-51096288 |
| Don't eat fish | 507776-507767-51096502 |
| Farmed fish doesn't get the best reputation | 507776-507767-51097212 |
| Never as good as wild fish | 507776-507767-51097302 |
| Fish farming is cruel and unnatural, feeding fish nutrients in captivity and putting polutants in the sea is harmful means of someone making an easy living by not going to sea | 507776-507767-51117357 |
| Toxicity and environmental damage. | 507776-507767-51118332 |
| open feedlots are the same on shore or open seas, the fish cannot tolerate high current speeds, the shite produced by the fish and and any chemical treatments will still be contaminating the sea, wind turbines currently seem ineffective in both low and high winds and the payments made when they are not working is ridiculous. I am against open feedlots where ever they are and totally disapprove of what the likes of MOWI SSC and the others get upto and the lies and missinformation they spread, just for a fast buck. get out of the sea and use land based tanks..... | 507776-507767-51201575 |
| Scared of contaminants in fish | 507776-507767-51384517 |
| Vegetarian | 507776-507767-51557814 |

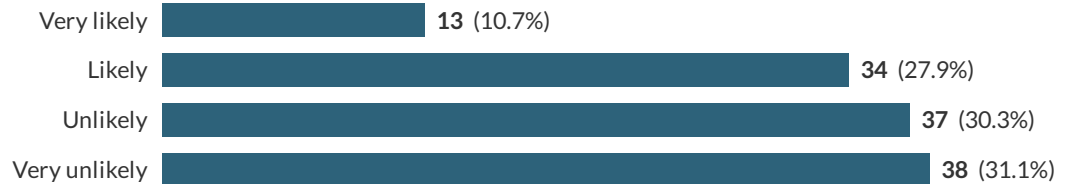
4 What would be your response to a hypothetical proposal to place a full-scale MOI in the Argyll sea area? (6 nautical miles and beyond)



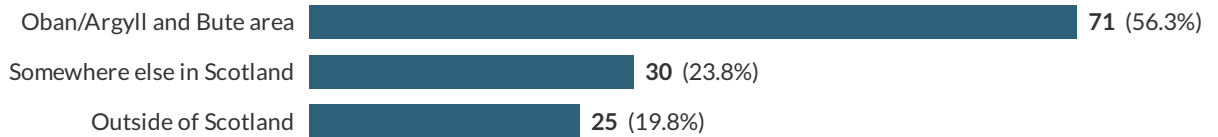
4.a Suppose that this hypothetical MOI was going to be installed in the Argyll sea area. Would you prefer that it was owned...?



4.b In your opinion, how likely are you to trust public officials to regulate the environmental impacts of this MOI?



5 Where do you live?



5.a What is your profession/occupation/main work?

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| Business Owner | 507776-507767-50802813 |
| Marine Renewable casework advisor | 507776-507767-50817025 |
| Photographer | 507776-507767-50829352 |
| Fisheries Biologist | 507776-507767-50840078 |
| Marine & Coastal Development Policy Officer, Argyll and Bute Council | 507776-507767-50858599 |
| Self employed | 507776-507767-50891554 |
| CEO | 507776-507767-50895812 |
| CO secretary | 507776-507767-50896401 |
| consultant | 507776-507767-50896923 |
| Sea Captain | 507776-507767-50896889 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-50897041 |
| VisitScotland USA | 507776-507767-50897070 |

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| VISITSCOTLAND VSA | 507776-507767-50891919 |
| Senior Executive (retired) | 507776-507767-50899119 |
| Teaching | 507776-507767-50899226 |
| Project manager | 507776-507767-50900889 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-50901242 |
| Gamekeeper | 507776-507767-50901496 |
| Artist | 507776-507767-50905148 |
| retires - charity work | 507776-507767-50909908 |
| business manager | 507776-507767-50950897 |
| Policy manager | 507776-507767-51004354 |
| Sea angler | 507776-507767-51007193 |
| Projects Manager and Researcher | 507776-507767-51007629 |
| Countryside Ranger | 507776-507767-51007945 |
| Environmental Analyst | 507776-507767-51009733 |
| student | 507776-507767-51010478 |
| student | 507776-507767-51011732 |
| Commercial boat skipper | 507776-507767-51011922 |
| Postgraduate student | 507776-507767-51015579 |
| Aquaculture - salmon farming | 507776-507767-51016112 |
| Wildlife guide | 507776-507767-51016213 |
| Duty Manager | 507776-507767-51019467 |
| Ecologist | 507776-507767-51020961 |
| Aquaculture technical coordinator | 507776-507767-51021984 |
| Dentistry | 507776-507767-51022354 |
| Diver | 507776-507767-51022389 |
| Student | 507776-507767-51022446 |
| Educator | 507776-507767-51022376 |
| Zoologist | 507776-507767-51025533 |
| Management Consultant | 507776-507767-51027696 |
| scientist | 507776-507767-51034331 |
| Civil servant | 507776-507767-51035104 |
| Biologist/Scientist | 507776-507767-51037418 |
| tourism accommodation provider | 507776-507767-51040031 |
| chicken farmer | 507776-507767-51041578 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51064441 |

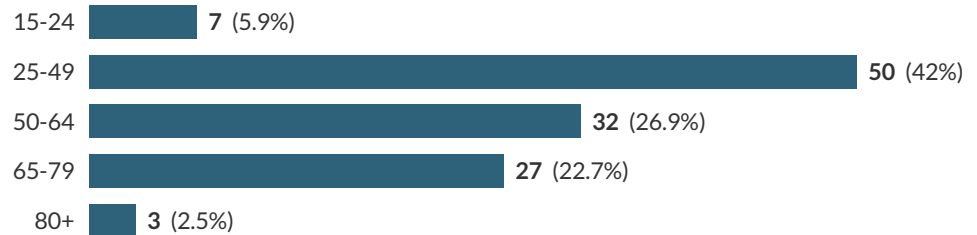
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| Marine Biologist | 507776-507767-51064897 |
| Ph.D. Student in Microbiology | 507776-507767-51065172 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51065263 |
| Public sector | 507776-507767-51065744 |
| Driving instructor | 507776-507767-51065925 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51066176 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51066797 |
| Bus driver | 507776-507767-51066986 |
| Writer | 507776-507767-51067143 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51068077 |
| Engineer | 507776-507767-51069219 |
| Accountant | 507776-507767-51069851 |
| Curriculum Designer | 507776-507767-51070294 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51070381 |
| Consultant | 507776-507767-51070768 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51071515 |
| Mortgage broker | 507776-507767-51072771 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51074372 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51074677 |
| Business man | 507776-507767-51075978 |
| Nurse | 507776-507767-51077376 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51077793 |
| Teacher | 507776-507767-51081518 |
| Bookseller | 507776-507767-51093525 |
| IT | 507776-507767-51093587 |
| Chemical analyst | 507776-507767-51093712 |
| Calculator | 507776-507767-51093819 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51094744 |
| Account | 507776-507767-51094814 |
| Renewable heating engineer | 507776-507767-51094982 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51095002 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51095115 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51095204 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51095287 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51095527 |

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| Retired | 507776-507767-51095547 |
| Sales director | 507776-507767-51096130 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51096288 |
| Accounting | 507776-507767-51096369 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51096502 |
| Distillery worker | 507776-507767-51097212 |
| Nhs worker | 507776-507767-51097302 |
| Various jobs | 507776-507767-51098624 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51099609 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51099847 |
| Web developer | 507776-507767-51099876 |
| IT program director | 507776-507767-51100065 |
| Teacher | 507776-507767-51100163 |
| Builder | 507776-507767-51107803 |
| Engineer | 507776-507767-51108581 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51108717 |
| Software development | 507776-507767-51109871 |
| Distillery worker | 507776-507767-51110433 |
| NHS worker | 507776-507767-51110802 |
| Self employed | 507776-507767-51111227 |
| Self employed | 507776-507767-51111446 |
| Operations manager | 507776-507767-51113212 |
| Real estate | 507776-507767-51113325 |
| Social worker & tuk tuk driver | 507776-507767-51117357 |
| retired | 507776-507767-51201575 |
| Retired | 507776-507767-51384517 |
| Civil Servant | 507776-507767-51412260 |
| retired teacher | 507776-507767-51557814 |

5.b How would you identify yourself?



5.c Which range includes your age?



6 If you have any additional comments please feel free to type them here.

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| There is no indication of the environmental impact of this new technology | 507776-507767-50802813 |
| I'd like to see this trialed and wonder if other marine renewable devices could be used such as wave or tidal. I think wave energy devices may have already been tested as some fish farms. | 507776-507767-50817025 |
| I would feel much happier if you also included some seaweed growth as carbon capture into the design too. I believe this has great potential and increases the environmental viability of the project. https://www.ted.com/talks/tim_flannery_can_seaweed_help_curb_global_warming?utm_campaign=tedsread&utm_medium=referral&utm_source=tedcomshare The link is just in case you're not aware of the work, which you may well be. Thanks! Ben | 507776-507767-50829352 |
| The aquaculture industry need to move operations offshore to meet their growth targets. This need to be developed with knowledge and avoidance of Atlantic salmon migration routes and removal of farms in sensitive inshore locations | 507776-507767-50840078 |
| This response is not the opinion of the Council, but an Officer response. Any proposal would have to go through planning and consult with statutory consultees. | 507776-507767-50858599 |
| Our environment is suffering from so many changes we live in an area of outstanding natural beauty where wildlife and our unspoilt environment should be protected we don't need fish farms from platforms off our coast, that would not benefit our community or the species inhabiting our shores | 507776-507767-50891554 |
| Any proposed development must have local ownership rather than the tick box | 507776-507767-50895812 |

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| community benefit! | |
| Already, a huge tsunami rumbling unseen, to stop this project completely. | 507776-507767-50896889 |
| Making good use power of the sea | 507776-507767-50897979 |
| I have experience working in aquaculture. This development is wrong in many different ways. | 507776-507767-50905148 |
| Who benefits? | 507776-507767-50909908 |
| Fish or shellfish farming is carried out in Scotland to make money. If the costs to farm go up the farming will fail economically. | 507776-507767-50950897 |
| Fish farms provide valuable non trawler access area that give fish a save haven | 507776-507767-51007193 |
| If you are after peoples perceptions on this i think you should ask more specific questions related to the potential and or proposed outputs from these offshore installations eg the MT of fish produced - and its value ? The kw prod of energy and its value and frequency - the nos of people employed on such platforms - the cost of such platforms - construction and materials - the estimated payback time for each of them individually or together? The env impact of them - ? Other potential users of the same location and area? | 507776-507767-51007629 |
| I support the development of renewable energy technology but cannot support the development of fish farms due to the environmental damage they cause. | 507776-507767-51007945 |
| Some of the previous questions are a bit misleading, I feel that people would make a gut reaction to questions like how much do you trust regulators or whether companies should be locally owned. Are they helpful questions or are we in a post fact age where info about why things are regulated a certain way, how (required) new types of regulation for this state of the art site would be developed and what local company could afford to operate such a complex infrastructure? | 507776-507767-51009733 |
| If this kind of development is to go ahead, the stock and its medium must be isolated biologically from the surrounding water to minimise the risk of disease and pest transfer and chemical contamination. | 507776-507767-51011922 |
| Would the whole platform be owned by one company or shared between different sectors? Different would be better in my opinion. | 507776-507767-51019467 |
| I have been monitoring the effect of salmon farms on the marine environment. So far all the results are negative and SEPA seems to value job creation over the Environment! | 507776-507767-51020961 |
| I have always been interesting in combining renewable energy and aquaculture. This is a very exciting project and I hope it goes ahead | 507776-507767-51021984 |
| Please put the protection of Scotlands very unique and important marine environment ahead of multinational profit. You must support the economic activity of the grassroots local commuinties. Do not believe the corporate misinformation that drives irresponsible aquaculture development. | 507776-507767-51022389 |
| My main concern is animal welfare and waste released from the farm. I would support this project if it were an improvement over traditional fish farms. | 507776-507767-51022446 |
| Electricity should be generated near where the demand is. Turbines in cities/docklands/industrial estates (as in Netherlands and Ireland) makes sense, as these are already wildlife - comprised places. Additionally, containment fish farming is the future if we are to minimise environmental impacts (escapes, chemical applications, pharmaceuticals, sewage, excess feed, lice). It seems that this proposed project ignores the need for both centralised electricity generation and containment finish aquaculture | 507776-507767-51025533 |

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| I prefer multinational ownership because they are more likely to have access to the resources required to manage such a development without public sector support | 507776-507767-51034331 |
| If too far offshore these installations would become difficult to regulate. | 507776-507767-51035104 |
| Any fish farm investment should be focussed on closed containment on land | 507776-507767-51040031 |
| In favor of increased green energy | 507776-507767-51064441 |
| Like the energy side but not the fish farming side | 507776-507767-51065172 |
| I was initially thinking it could become increasingly invasive over time. | 507776-507767-51093587 |
| In general, I think it is a good idea to combine these facilities as opposed to having a number of separate facilities. | 507776-507767-51093712 |
| Would like more information on maintenance and disposal of the the platform | 507776-507767-51094744 |
| Trubines are unsightly and they need to be out further at sea and blend into the environment | 507776-507767-51096288 |
| Strong lack of information about fish farms | 507776-507767-51096754 |
| Strong lack of information and what are the impacts of the fish farm | 507776-507767-51097302 |
| Don't mind the platform as long as it's not too intrusive and damaging to the environment | 507776-507767-51098624 |
| Have concerns about the environmental impacts from the fish farm, but am in favor of renewable energy | 507776-507767-51099876 |
| Nothing closer than than 6nm | 507776-507767-51100065 |
| I think wave energy is great and should be used more | 507776-507767-51109871 |
| Local opinion should be placed over to tourists opinion | 507776-507767-51111446 |
| I would view this project more favorably if it did not include the wind turbine | 507776-507767-51113325 |
| Fish farming is cruel and has an impact on the environment | 507776-507767-51117357 |
| I live on Arran and we are currently showing opposition to the SSC proposal for another large feedlot towards the north end near Millstone point..... | 507776-507767-51201575 |