

PE1678/II

Petitioner submission of 26 December 2019

The Scottish Countryside Rangers' Association welcomes this opportunity to comment on the last correspondence

SCRA appreciates the Scottish Government submission of 30th October and the positive actions proposed within it. In particular we welcome the contribution of SNH towards developing a sustainable model for the delivery of a national Ranger Service.

SCRA would like the opportunity to agree the wording to be added in the support and development of the memorandum of understanding between the Association and SNH and that the underpinning of such commitments is identified in the SNH 2030 policy vision

SCRA would welcome an acknowledgement that the reduction in Ranger posts across this sector has been seen as detrimental to the desired national outcomes in public health, education, biodiversity and the protection of our cultural and natural heritage especially within the Scottish Government's commitment in meeting the Climate Emergency targets' where the Scottish Countryside Rangers are the Government's Thin Green Line