

Subject: Information relating to consultation on 2021 Census and Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill.

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Date responded: 5 March 2019

Information requested:

1. Please provide a list of individuals and organisations that the National Records of Scotland consulted for the period commencing 1 January 2016 up to 1 October 2018 in relation to the 2021 Census generally and the Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill.
2. Did the National Records of Scotland consult members of the Royal Statistical Society? If so, please provide details of correspondence and minutes of meetings.
3. What discussions did the National Records of Scotland have with the Scottish Government's Board for Official Statistics regarding the Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill and the 2021 Census generally? Please provide details of correspondence and minutes of meetings."

NRS Response:

NRS has undertaken a range of consultation over the period 1 January 2016 up to 1 October 2018 in relation to the 2021 Census. Published documents include details of consultees where relevant.

1. Organisations who responded to the public Topic Consultation can be found in the Topic Consultation Report

https://www.scotlandscensus.gov.uk/documents/census2021/Scotlands_Census_2021_Topic_Consultation_Report_August_2016.pdf

Annex 1 provides a list of additional organisations that National Records of Scotland have consulted in relation to the 2021 Census generally and the Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill.

These are organisations who have attended census events, responded to consultations, or who have engaged with the NRS Census Programme directly through meetings and other engagement.

While our aim is to provide information whenever possible, in this instance we are unable to provide some of the information requested because an exemption under section 38(1)(b) of FOISA applies to that information as it is personal data of third parties. Disclosing this information would contravene the data protection principles in Article 5(1) of the General Data Protection Regulation and in section 34(1) of the Data Protection Act 2018. This exemption is not subject to the 'public interest test', so we are not required to consider if the public interest in disclosing the information outweighs the public interest in applying the exemption.

2. The answer to your question is:

National Records of Scotland presented its plans for Scotland's Census 2021 at the Royal Statistical Society (RSS) Conference in 2017. The RSS has not however directly responded or taken part in our public consultations or events.

3. The answer to your question is:

At the Scottish Government's Board for Official Statistics meeting on the 12th October 2018, Amy Wilson provided an update On Scotland's Census 2021. Minutes of the meeting can be found here:

<https://www2.gov.scot/Topics/Statistics/scotstat/board/meeting>

Annex 1

List of additional organisations that National Records of Scotland have consulted in relation to the 2021 Census generally and the Census (Amendment) (Scotland) Bill

Aberdeen City Council
Aberdeen Sikh Sangat
Aberdeenshire Council
Action on Hearing Loss (formerly RNID)
ADD Action
Administrative Data Research Centre – Scotland
Administrative Data Research Network
Advice Direct
African Community Scotland (ACS)
African Council
Age Scotland
ALACHO
Alliance Scotland
Alzheimers Scotland
Angus Council
Argyll and Bute Council
Association of Chief Officers of Scottish Voluntary Organisations
Auchinleck Community Development Initiative
Baptist Union of Scotland
Barnardo's
BEMIS ('Empowering Scotland's Ethnic and Cultural Minority Communities')
Bethany Christian Trust
Big Brother Watch
Board of Deputies of British Jews
Bòrd na Gàidhlig
Brain Injury Rehabilitation Trust
British Deaf Association (BDA)

British Society for Population Studies
Cantraybridge
Capability Scotland
Care Inspectorate
Carers Scotland
Carers Trust Scotland
Carluke Development Trust
Celtic and Scottish Studies, University of Edinburgh
Central and West Integration Network
Central Scotland Regional Equality Council
Central Statistics Office (CSO)
Centre for the Protection of National Infrastructure
CGI
Chartered Institute of Library and Information Professionals
Chest Heart and Stroke Scotland
Church of Scotland
Churches Action on Homeless
Citizens Advice Scotland
City of Edinburgh Council
Civil Society Brexit Project
Clackmannanshire Council
CLD Standards Council
Clydeplan
Coalition for Racial Equality and Rights CRER
Coalition of Care and Support Providers in Scotland
Comhairle nan Eilean Siar
Community Integrated Care
Connecting Stirling
contact scotland BSL
Convention of Scottish Local Authorities
COSLA
Creative Scotland
Criminal Injuries Compensation Authority
Cross Party Scottish Parliamentary Group - Scottish Showmen's Guild
CVS Falkirk
Cycling Scotland
Cyrenians
Dads Rock
David Simmonds Consultancy Ltd
Deaf Action
Deaf Blind Scotland
Deaf Scotland

Department for Culture, Media and Sport
Digital and Information Literacy Symposium
Disability Information Scotland
Disclosure Scotland
Down's Syndrome Scotland
Dumfries and Galloway Council
Dundee City Council
Dyslexia Scotland
East Ayrshire Council
East Dunbartonshire Council
East Lothian Council
East Renfrewshire Council
eCom Scotland
Economic and Social Research Council
Edinburgh Gurdwara
Edinburgh Napier University
Edinburgh Old Town Community Council
Education Scotland
EH99
EKTA Group
Electoral Register
ENABLE Scotland
Energy Action
Engage Renfrewshire
Engender
Equalities and Human Rights Commission
Equality Network
Equality Unit
Falkirk Council
Family Friendly Working Scotland
Farr Institute Scotland : Public Panel
Fife Arabic Society
Fife Centre for Equality
Fife Council
Flourish House Mental Health Clubhouse
Fresh Start
General Synod of the Scottish Episcopal Church
Glasgow Association Mental Health
Glasgow Caledonian University
Glasgow Centre for Population Health
Glasgow City Council
Glasgow Gurdwara

Glasgow Health and Social Partnership

Glasgow Life

Grassmarket Community Project

Hearing Link

Heriot Watt University

Higher Education Statistics Agency (HESA)

Highland Council

Highlands and Islands Enterprise

HIV Scotland

Home Office Science

Homeless Action Scotland

Homes for Students

House of Commons Library

Humanist Society

Improvement Service

Information Commissioners Office (Scotland)

Institute & Faculty of Actuaries

Institute for Jewish Policy Research (JPR)

Interfaith Scotland

Inverclyde Council

ISD

JICPOPS (Joint Industry Committee for Population Standards)

Keith Community Council

Kibble Education and Care Centre

Learning Tree

LGBT Health and Wellbeing

LGBT Youth Scotland

Libraries Working Group

Lindsayfield Lodge

Literature Alliance Scotland (LAS)

Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority

Made By Scotland's Bravest Manufacturing Co.

Market Research Societ (MRS) and MRS Census and Geodemographics Group (CCG)

Mental Health Fife

MHS National Services Scotland

Midlothian Council

Midlothian Voluntary Action

Migration Observatory

Millview Care Home

Minority Communities Addiction Support Services

Mither Tongue

Ministry of Defence
Moray Council
Murrayfield House
NAT (National AIDS Trust)
Next Step Initiative - African Integration
NHS
NHS Central Register (NSCHR)
NHS Education for Scotland (NES)
No2id
North Ayrshire Council
North Lanarkshire Council
Northern Ireland Statistical Research Agency
NSPCC
Office for National Statistics
Office for Statistics Regulation
Open Rights Group
Open University in Scotland
Ordnance Survey
Orkney Islands Council
Otago Street Gurdwara
Pagan Federation (Scotland)
Perth and Kinross Council
Police Scotland
Poppyscotland
Population and Migrations Statistics (PAMS)
Positive Prison
Privacy International
Public Benefit and Privacy Panel
Quarriers
Registers of Scotland
Renfrewshire Council
RNIB
Rock Trust
Roman Catholic Diocese of Paisley
Rowan Alba
Royal College of Speech and Therapy (RCSLT) Scotland
Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh
Royal Mail
Royal National Institute for the Blind Scotland
Royal Society for Protection of Birds
RS Macdonald Charitable Trust
Safe Harbour Inverclyde

Salvation Army
Sanday Development Trust
SCLD
SCoD / Deaf Sector Partnership
Scotent
Scotland in Union
Scots Language Centre
Scots Language Society
Scots Leid Associe/Scots Language Society
Scottish Ahlul Bayt Society
Scottish Ambulance Service
Scottish Borders Council
Scottish Bowel Screening
Scottish Care
Scottish City and Community Networks
Scottish Commission for Learning Disability
Scottish Council for Jewish Communities
Scottish Council for Voluntary Organisations
Scottish Council of Jewish Communities
Scottish Council on Deafness
Scottish Data Partnership
Scottish Disability Equality Forum
Scottish Federation of Housing Associations
Scottish Funding Council
Scottish Human Rights Commission
Scottish Independent Advocacy Alliance
Scottish Interfaith Week
Scottish Learning Disabilities Observatory
Scottish Library and Information Council
Scottish Longitudinal Study
Scottish Men's Sheds Association
Scottish Parliament
Scottish Prison Service
Scottish Qualification Authority
Scottish Refugee Council
Scottish Secular Society
Scottish Seniors Alliance
Scottish Showmen's Guild
Scottish Trades Union Congress
Seafarer Support
Sense Scotland
Shelter Scotland

Shetland Islands Council
Sikh Sanjog
Skills Development Scotland
Social Security
South Ayrshire Council
South Lanarkshire Council
South Lanarkshire Health & Social Care Forum
South-west Community Transport
St Andrew's University
Statistics New Zealand
Stepping Stones for Families
Stirling Council
Stonewall
Street Connect
Street Soccer Scotland
Student Awards Agency for Scotland (SAAS)
Student Loans Company
Sunnyside Up
SYSTRA Ltd
Talking News
The Scottish Ambulance Service
Travellers Site Managers Association Scotland
Turning Point Scotland
UK Data Service
UK Parliamentary and Outreach Engagement Service
United Reformed Church
University of Dundee
University of Edinburgh
University of Glasgow
University of the Highlands and Islands
University of West of Scotland
Victim Support
Viewpoint
Voluntary Action Scotland (VAS)
West Dunbartonshire Council
West Lothian Council
Wheatley Group
Whitehills Care Home
YouthLink Scotland