

– UPDATE –

FISH FARM PROPOSALS FOR LOCH – EISHORT

THE FINAL PHASE – PUBLIC CONSULTATION – IS ABOUT TO BEGIN, SO PLEASE GET READY TO COMPOSE AND SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS TO THE HIGHLAND COUNCIL'S PLANNING DEPARTMENT.

For news, updates and lots of information about fish farms, planning applications for Loch Eishort (south Skye) and how to participate in the planning process (have your say!) please visit:

www.blue-skye.org.uk

click on FISH FARMS

www.sleatcommunitycouncil.org.uk

click on PLANNING & LICENSING

[Both websites provide quick links to The Highland Council's eplanning web pages.]



EISHORT 1 planning application 14/02574/FUL

south of Suisnish (Hjaltland Seafarms)

**Status: Pending Consideration - PUBLIC CONSULTATION not yet announced
decision predicted 30 November**

1 October 2014: no activity in the planning process for several weeks. It looks like Eishort 2 (below) will be dealt with first, but since the decision dates differ by only 1 day, the Eishort 1 consultation should be announced soon. Progress will be announced on the Blue-Skye and Sleat Community Council websites. **Public Consultation dates TBA** - The Highland Council has timetabled its decision whether or not to accept this application as 30 November.



EISHORT 2 planning application 14/02577/FUL

between Tokavaig & Tarskavaig (Hjaltland Seafarms)

**Status: Pending Consideration - PUBLIC CONSULTATION 10 October until closing date 7 November
decision predicted 28 November**

Four new (amended) documents were posted on the Eishort 2 planning web page on 26 Sept. The Public Consultation is timetabled to be announced in the press by 10 October and all comment letters will have to be in by the closing date, 7 November. The Highland Council has timetabled its decision whether or not to accept this application as 28 November.

This all means that the public may send in their comments supporting or against these proposals and both seem to be open for comment now, although announcements have yet to be published and the responses from statutory consultees (e.g. SNH, SEPA, Marine Scotland, Fisheries Board, Historic Scotland etc.) have not yet arrived. So nobody knows what the planners' advisers think of the applications and, as a consequence of that, we can't decide or say what we think about their decisions. This situation is vexing and we will have to do with it what we can. If the statutory consultees' responses arrive so late that our comments have been sent in, and we have more to say, we must write in again a.s.a.p. The proposal Eishort 2 (Tarskavaig) is a little further ahead than Eishort 1 (Suisnish) but we will be watching progress of both.

Progress will be announced on the **Blue-Skye** and **Sleat Community Council** websites.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

to discuss a Sleat community responses to these planning applications

Tarskavaig Communities Hall – 7.30 pm onTBA.....

Sabhal Mor Ostaig – 7.30 pm onTBA.....