

Respondent Information Form and Questions

Please Note this form **must** be returned with your response to ensure that we handle your response appropriately

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3. Permissions - I am responding as...

Individual

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Group/Organisation

Please tick as appropriate

(a) Do you agree to your response being made available to the public (in Scottish Government library and/or on the Scottish Government web site)?

Please tick as appropriate Yes No

(b) Where confidentiality is not requested, we will make your responses available to the public on the following basis

Please tick ONE of the following boxes

Yes, make my response, name and address all available

or

Yes, make my response available, but not my name and address

or

Yes, make my response and name available, but not my address

(c) The name and address of your organisation **will be** made available to the public (in the Scottish Government library and/or on the Scottish Government web site).

Are you content for your **response** to be made available?

Please tick as appropriate Yes No

- (d) We will share your response internally with other Scottish Government policy teams who may be addressing the issues you discuss. They may wish to contact you again in the future, but we require your permission to do so. Are you content for Scottish Government to contact you again in relation to this consultation exercise?

Please tick as appropriate

Yes

No

Consultation Questions

The answer boxes will expand as you type.

Procuring rail passenger services

Caledonian Sleeper

37. Should we continue to specify sleeper services, or should this be a purely commercial matter for a train operating company?

Q37 comments: The Landmark Trust is a building preservation charity that rescues historic or architecturally important buildings that are then made available for all to rent as holiday accommodation. We have many buildings in Scotland and many of our guests use your sleeper services to access them. We would prefer you to continue specifying sleeper services.

38. Should the Caledonian Sleeper services be contracted for separately from the main ScotRail franchise? Or should it be an option for within the main ScotRail franchise?

Q38 comments: As our guests will use other ScotRail services to complete their journeys we would prefer the contract kept with the main franchise.

- 39 We would be interested in your views in the level and type of service that the Caledonian Sleeper Services should provide. Including:

- What is the appeal of the Caledonian Sleeper Service, and if there were more early and late trains would the appeal of the sleeper services change?
- What is the value of sleeper services to Fort William, Inverness and Aberdeen and are these the correct destinations, for example would Oban provide better connectivity?
- What facilities should the sleeper services provide and would you pay more for better facilities?

The appeal of the Sleeper Service is the ability to get to the extreme corners of Scotland first thing in the morning which is frequently impossible except by driving over night. Earlier trains would appeal as one frequently has to wait many hours in London before being able to catch the sleeper and thereby missing out on day light hours in Scotland.

Oban would be an excellent additional destination however Inverness is an essential destination for our guests especially as it allows them to continue to Orkney.

Apart from Wifi and a good breakfast there are no other services we would find essential. The current arrangements provide good value for money and additional payment for better facilities would be acceptable.