





animal welfare must be considered alongside other factors, such as the need for extensive grazing, to ensure the viability of the sector, to support the rural economy, and for the social benefits of Scottish farming to continue. If a plan improves the welfare of animals, then chances should be taken to replicate this across the sector where relevant. Equally if a new programme harms the welfare of animals, then this should be seen as a significant enough factor to warrant the plan being amended.

Q7 Do you agree with the purposes as set out in Schedule 1? yes/no/don't know

