Conclusions

- Stakeholder engagement is key.
- Regional Locational Guidance ‘nests’ well within national Sectoral Marine Plans.
- Both national SMPs and Shetland’s RLG incorporate economic, environmental, social and cultural constraints into one ‘total constraint’ model, without the need for monetary equivalences.
- Shetland’s RLG provides a measure of social justice, where local cultural and socio-economic features are considered alongside nationally valued features.