First Minister

Sent: To:

29 January 2018 08:43:36 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

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From: [mailto; Sent: 28 January 2018 21:19

To: First Minister; Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land

Reform: Cabinet Secretary for Justice

Subject: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

Nicola Sturgeon firstminister@gov.scot<mailto:firstminister@gov.scot> Roseanna Cunningham MSP CabSecECCLF@gov.scot<mailto:CabSecECCLF@gov.scot> Michael Matheson CabinetSecretaryforJustice@gov.scot<mailto:CabinetSecretaryforJustice@gov.scot>

?Dear Minister,

please don?t make minor changes to The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002. As you can see from my submission to the consultation on improving that Act we believe it is time to replace it with a law that really does ban fox hunting in Scotland.?

If you live in Scotland please also copy your submission to your MSPs (via https://www.writetothem.com/<https://derefgmx.net/mail/client/t1sBJUhDaMŶ/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww. writetothem.com%2F>) and let them know that you don?t want The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act amended, you want it scrapped and replaced with a law which truly bans fox hunting.

We are sorry we?ve only been able to give you three days to do this but it is very important that you do and please ask anyone else you can think

would be interested to make a submission as well.

Yours faithfu	ılly,		
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Sent: To:

03 January 2018 09:27:54 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Fox Hunting

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----Original Message----

From: [mailto:

Sent: 02 January 2018 22:11

To: First Minister Subject: Fox Hunting

Dear Ms Sturgeon

It has come to my attention that there are still fox hunts going on with dogs and horses, Even though there was legislation passed in February in 2002, and came into force on the 1st of August 2002 to stop this barbaric act. Not only is it a vile thing to do to take an innocent animals life, but it also makes dogs more aggressive if the owners are teaching them that attacking a fox is alright and if the dogs are not on any leads how can the owner possibly control that dog from up on a horse? Police Scotland try to encourage people to have their dogs on a lead. I think it's absolutely disgusting that trophy hunting is still a thing in 2018 it should of been banned a long long time ago. I know a lot of people don't see animals life's as much as a humans, but animals like foxes, deer and badgers all have emotions and they can feel pain. How do you think a baby deer would feel when it can't find its mother? It would be absolutely heartbroken, just like I am right now finding out that there was a fox hunt today round the corner from my house. Ms Sturgeon I am writing to you personally to try make a change I know you have the power to do so. One of my goals this year is to try make a positive change in the country and I need your help to do this. Thank you for taking your time to read my concerns about fox hunting in the 21st Century. We need to stop this.

Sincerely,

Sent from my iPhone

First Minister

Sent: To:

03 January 2018 16:05:42 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Ban Foxhunting in Scotland for good

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----Original Message----

From: [mailto:

Sent: 03 January 2018 16:04

To: First Minister

Subject: Ban Foxhunting in Scotland for good

Dear Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister of Scotland,

I want to thank you and your Party for standing up for wildlife and letting it be known that the SNP would vote against repealing or undermining the fox hunting ban in England and Wales.

Scotland was the first place in the UK to introduce legislation to ban fox hunting but I understand that a recent independent review has recommended strengthening the Protection of Wild Mammals Act (Scotland), as it is ineffective.

I want to encourage you to strengthen this law and really ban fox hunting in Scotland. If your Party once again leads the way in protecting animals it will not just protect animals in Scotland, but it will also serve as a bolster to the threatened ban in England and Wales and provide the precedent for strengthening the Westminster ban in due course.

Please strengthen the ban and really stop fox hunting in Scotland? and be a progressive force across the UK.

Regards

From: First Minister

Sent: 22 January 2018 08:50:03 To: Public Engagement Unit

Subject: FW: Fox Hunting Ban - Scotland - Green MSP - Alison Johnstone

MACCS case please for OR

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From: [mailto: Sent: 21 January 2018 16:42]

To: First Minister; Humza. Yousaf.msp@parliament.scot;

Patrick.Harvie.msp@parliament.scot

Subject: Fox Hunting Ban - Scotland - Green MSP - Alison Johnstone

Good day

I have just read an article in the Sunday Mail (a paper that we do not usually buy in this household but there is something called a Transfer Window which my husband is interested in!) and was appalled to read the brutality meted out to foxes in Scotland. Ms Johnstone is to be congratulated in her endeavours and more power to her elbow in obtaining an outright ban in Scotland on this barbaric practice.

We are not talking about buxom Conservatives with ruddy cheeks and faces like ugly horses in the Home Counties getting their kicks by ripping defenceless animals apart, we are talking about Scotland here. We are leading the way in so many things currently, thanks to the forward thinking of the SNP and our First Minister, can we not take a further step and ban this horrible practice once and for all. No ifs, no buts, you don't do it - end of! I would also urge Police Scotland to get their finger out on this matter too - it is not for them to say the 'law is unworkable' - if they know where this bestiality takes place, they have to stop it and actually do their job. is just down the road from here and it makes me sick to my stomach that these animals are being butchered by these unfeeling clowns on horseback.

I have today written to Ms Johnstone, congratulating her on her work, and I would hope that you, as my First Minister, and Mr Yousaf, as my elected MSP, will join Patrick Harvie and his colleague Alison Johnstone in getting a ban on this so-called 'sport' once and for all! M'oan the foxes!!!!



First Minister

Sent: To: 24 January 2018 11:27:34 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Ban Foxhunting in Scotland for good

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----Original Message----

From: Sent: 24 January 2018 11:26

To: First Minister

Subject: Ban Foxhunting in Scotland for good

Dear Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister of Scotland,

I want to thank you and your Party for standing up for wildlife and letting it be known that the SNP would vote against repealing or undermining the fox hunting ban in England and Wales.

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Regards

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Sent: To: 29 January 2018 08:32:13 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: fox hunting

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----Original Message----

From:

[mailto:

Sent: 28 January 2018 06:35

To: First Minister Subject: fox hunting

Dear First Minister,

Please do not make minor changes to The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002. It is time to replace it with a law that really does ban fox hunting in Scotland. Better to hunt the sadistic hunters.

Sincerely -- Stuttgart

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First Minister

Sent:

29 January 2018 08:39:09

To:

Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

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From: Gillian Russell [mailto:jillrussell777@btinternet.com]

Sent: 28 January 2018 10:34

To: First Minister; Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land

Reform; Cabinet Secretary for Justice

Subject: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

Dear Minister,

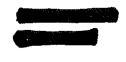
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Yours sincerely



26th January 2018





Dear First Minister,

Please find attached a copy of correspondence sent to the leaders of the opposition parties at Holyrood. Their actions have now reduced my political considerations to the SNP and the Greens. Since the latter have failed to acknowledge, let alone reply to concerns I have raised regarding the welfare of Scotland's wild animals, my consideration at the ballot box is now solely for the SNP. In order to facilitate this, what re-assurances can you give me concerning the protection of wild animals in Scotland?

30 JAN 2019

Yours faithfully,



Dear

As I understand, your party supported the repeal of the Offensive Behaviour at Football Bill, thus condoning bigotry.

As a result of this please be assured I will no longer consider any support for your party at local and national elections.

I have expressed similar sentiment to the other miscreants in this matter.

Yours faithfully,



12 February 2018 09:26:51

Sent: To:

Public Engagement Unit

Cc:

Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land

Reform

Subject:

FW: Hunting With Dogs

Hi,

One for MACCS please.

Kind Regards,



Roseanna Cunningham, MSP Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

2N.08 - St Andrews House - Regent Road - Edinburgh - EH1 3DG

Tel: 0131 244 5337

Email: CabsecECCLR@gov.scot<mailto:CabsecECCLR@gov.scot>

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From:

[mailto

Sent: 09 February 2018 17:35

To: Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

Subject: Hunting With Dogs

Dear Cabinet Secretary,

I would like to see a change in the law regarding the ban on hunting with dogs.

The exclusion of hunting rabbits with dogs should be removed, and in its place an exclusions for the hunting of rabbits with dogs for pest control purposes; on private land; with a license. So that it is illegal for anyone to hunt rabbits with dogs for entertainment purposes in full view of public.

Yours sincerely

19 February 2018 09:25:28

Sent: To:

Public Engagement Unit

Cc:

Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land

Reform

Subject:

FW: Hunting in public view

Attachments: picture.pdf

Hi,

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Kind Regards,

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From: Cunningham R (Roseanna), MSP

[mailto:Roseanna.Cunningham.msp@parliament.scot]

Sent: 18 February 2018 13:20

To: Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform

Subject: Fwd: Hunting in public view

Sent from my iPhone

Begin forwarded message:

From: <mailto:

To: "Cunningham R (Roseanna), MSP"

Roseanna.Cunningham.msp@parliament.scot<mailto:Roseanna.Cunningham.msp@parliament.scot>>

Subject: Hunting in public view

?Dear Roseanna,

I was horrified to encounter a hunt on Saturday afternoon which crossed two main roads in the Scottish Borders and involved men standing menacingly with balaclavas and guns, other men running down the road wielding whips and dogs loose everywhere. It was shocking behaviour. How is this allowed on any level? We called the police who reprimanded the men for a couple of things but as you will be aware, could not prosecute them for driving foxes out with dogs. It's barbaric. I feel for any parents who might have passed with children in the car - these men looked like terrorists.

I have attached pictures but struggled to capture the whole scene for obvious reasons,



From: First Minister

Sent: 23 February 2018 11:37:07 To: Public Engagement Unit

Subject: FW: Ban Foxhunting in Scotland for good

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To: First Minister

Subject: Ban Foxhunting in Scotland for good

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Regards

Subject:

29 October 2018 09:12:02

Sent: To:

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From: Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP < Nicola. Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot>

Sent: 28 October 2018 13:56

To: First Minister <firstminister@gov.scot> Subject: Fwd: Fox hunting in Scotland

Nicola Sturgeon MSP Glasgow Southside Constituency Office (constituent enquiries only) Govanhill Workspace Unit 3, 69 Dixon Road G42 8AT Tel: 0141 424 1174

nicola.sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot<mailto:nicola.sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot>

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From: Sunday, October 28, 2018 11:36:20 AM
To: Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP
Subject: Fw: Fox hunting in Scotland

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Begin forwarded message:

On Friday, June 30, 2017, 11:42 am, <a href="mailto:sample-squ

Hi, I would like to talk to you about fox hunting in Scotland with packs of dogs, supposedly to flush out foxes so they can be shot. Do you honestly think that after flushing out the fox that anyone can control up to 50 hounds from tearing the fox to pieces, as we saw on the news yesterday, bet they get away with it on appeal. I don't understand why the Scottish government haven't did anything in the years they have been in power. The hunting of wild mammals with dogs is barbaric and cruel, does not represent a humane or effective method of population control and has no place in modern society, these toffs with their red coats and bugles have got nothing to do with conservation of wildlife apart from their own enjoyment and blood lust. You have had the reports from Lord Bonamy, you should implement changes as soon as possible before more innocent animals are murdered instead of waiting until next year.

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28 JUN 2019

Received

21 st June 2019

Dear Nicola Sturgeon,

It is

some time since I wrote to

you enquiring about what

was being done to bean

hunting with controls in

Scotland.

In March 2018 I went

on the march - For the Foxe,

in Edinburgh, and after

that I work to you

concerning the hunting laws

being changed. I did not

hear from you, or indeed anybody, till later in the year, when once come the hunts were on the go, The last 9 heard was that Something was going to done "Soon" - that was at Cohristmas! Where I him the hunts do as they please. We have no substare. The police Condone what they are doing - the pothe have Willed me and told Me So This barbasity has to Stop. In August, the huts will be on again, after

Cubs to feed to the hounds. What are you going to do about it? Please com I have a proper reply, not a folkning!
off, or a "Soon." I am rapidly becoming disullusioned with a pasty that I thought was going to make Scotland a better place. Jours sincerely,

25 October 2018 12:38:05

Sent: To:

Public Engagement Unit

Cc: Subject: First Minister FOX HUNTING

Attachments: u202529_25-10-2018_12-30-22.pdf

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Mary Glindon Member of Parliament for North Tyneside



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Rt Hon Nicola Sturgeon MSP First Minister of Scotland Scottish Government St. Andrew's House Regent Road EH1 3DG

23rd October 2018

Dear First Minister

Please find enclosed a copy of an email I have recently received, from a member of my constituency, regarding fox hunting in Scotland.

I would appreciate a response to the concerns raised which I can pass to my constituent.

Yours sincerely

Mary Glindon MP

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North Tyneside

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At the end of 2017 I was one of almost 20,000 people who took part in a Scottish Government consultation on improving the welfare of wild mammals in relation to fox hunting. Of those who responded, 98% agree with me that the Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002 needs to be strengthened to really ban hunting in Scotland.

I am disappointed that over eight months after the consultation closed, the Scottish Government has failed to reach a decision on what it plans to do to improve the law. In just a couple of weeks the full hunting season will get underway. This is the fourth season since Lord Bonomy was commissioned to report on the workings of the law and nothing has changed. I think the time has come for the Scottish Government to be accountable to everyone who gave their views through the consultation and act to improve the law.

As my MP, please can you write to the Scottish Government, asking for clarification on what it intends to do to improve the law and why it has taken so long to reach a decision. I believe the Scottish Government should make public its intentions before the hunting season gets underway next month.

As someone who opposes animal cruelty I am saddened that once again hunts will be out in Scotland chasing and killing foxes for sport. I look forward to hearing back from you about the Scottish Government's position, and I hope I can rely on your support to help stop animals suffering as a result of this outdated tradition.

ANDREW MURRISON MD MP



HOUSE OF COMMONS LONDON SW1A 0AA



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(Please ensure that the letter reference is quoted on return correspondence).

2 November 2018

Nicola Sturgeon First Minister of Scotland The Scottish Parliament EDINBURGH EH99 1SP

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I enclose a copy of a standard email that I have received from a number of my constituents about the future of fox hunting in Scotland.

I would be very grateful if you could note the points made and provide a response.

Thank you for your help.

Enclosure

From: Sent:

To: MURRISON, Andrew

Subject: The future of fox hunting in Scotland

Dear Dr Murrison,

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Yours sincerely

From: Sent:

11 March 2019 09:34:19

To:

Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Fox Hunting



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From: Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP <mailto:Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot>

Sent: 11 March 2019 09:18

To: First Minister <mailto:firstminister@gov.scot>

Subject: Fwd: Fox Hunting

Nicola Sturgeon MSP Glasgow Southside Constituency Office (constituent enquiries only) Govanhill Workspace 69 Dixon Road G42 8AT Tel: 0141 424 1174 mailto:nicola.sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot

mailto Sent: Monday, March 11, 2019 8:58:17 AM

To: Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP

Subject: Fox Hunting

Dear Nicola

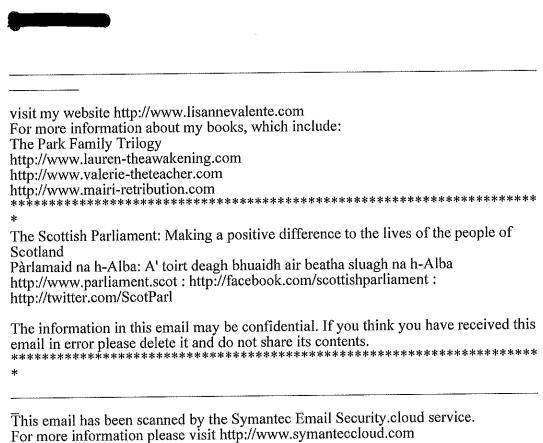
I appreciate this is a very busy time, it certainly is for foxes.

Despite the law in 2002 fox hunting is on the increase in Scotland with three meets already. Yesterday's hunt ended with more than one fox being thrown to the dog pack as a reward.

Not a gun in sight, the only loophole by which they're allowed to hunt.

Do you think you can take time and sort this out or actually get the police to do their jobs and arrest those committing a crime? Or should we all just pretend these poor, exhausted beasts who get ripped apart, by a pack of dogs, after being chased, deserve this torture? Is it because they're wealthy the police aren't interested?

Please help the wildlife in Scotland, badger kills on the increase, beavers being shot, foxes - we are supposed to share this land with man and beast, we are not their superiors.



From: Sent:

11 March 2019 08:37:33 Public Engagement Unit

To: Subject:

FW: Fox Hunting

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From <a href="mailto:ma

Sent: 09 March 2019 19:45

To: First Minister <firstminister@gov.scot<mailto:firstminister@gov.scot>>

Subject: Fox Hunting

Dear Nicola

I have always been proud of being Scottish and i am a staunch supporter of the SNP. But today that pride took a serious knock, I saw a video on Facebook of a Fox being literally torn apart alive by hounds of the cruelty of this barbaric act which disgusted me but the obvious pleasure these inbred morons gained by this.

As this cruelty is deemed as ILLEGAL it is beyond my comprehension why this is happening so blatantly under the feeble GUISE of so called TRAIL HUNTING!!!! ?????? what is the policy of the SNP on this outdated inhumane practice.

Yours Faithfully

11 March 2019 08:37:19

Sent: To:

Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Fox hunting



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From: Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP

<Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.scot<mailto:Nicola.Sturgeon.msp@parliament.sc</p>

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Sent: 10 March 2019 18:53

To: First Minister <firstminister@gov.scot<mailto:firstminister@gov.scot>>

Subject: Fwd: Fox hunting

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From:

Sent: Sunday, March 10, 2019 3:55:43 PM

To: Sturgeon N (Nicola), MSP

Subject: Fox hunting

I have just saw a video on facebook i which a female fox had been mauled and basically torn apart from dogs, now i was in the understanding fox hunting was banned on scotland can you tell me if this is the case and it is illegal to hunt fox why this is still happening in our country by upper class scumbags who think its ok to chase and

sometimes let dogs rip foxes apart. These people obviously who absolutely no respect for the law in scotland, what is being done to stop this. I look forward to your reply but i willnot hold my breath. ************************************
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Sent: To:

31 January 2018 13:37:04 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

FW: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

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From:

Sent: 31 January 2018 13:30

To: First Minister

Subject: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

First Minister

Nicola Sturgeon MSP

Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002 -Bonomy Report - amendment (s) for Fox hunting

Dear Madam

Today, 31 January 2018, is the last day for the public and others to make comment on the amendment (s) of the above Act with reference to Fox hunting.

As a member and donor to every organisation possible to join concerning the welfare of animals and the conservation of the conservation of the world environment, I find it frustrating and embarrassing that my country, Scotland, is still under the anachronistic

grip of certain landowners involved in blood sports, and a small and brutal part of the population that adheres to hunting animals with hounds.

With Fox hunting, my experience as an activist against such a cruel and depraved fake sport, is that the above 2002 has not made much difference to the continuation of chasing of Foxes with hounds, as the League Against Cruel Sports and investigative others have shown that Foxes are still being torn apart by dogs. The 2002 Act has made it more easy for such hunting to take place, as there appears to be little monitoring by the Police.

Fox hunting and the criminal slaughter of Birds of Prey, have shown there to be a problem with law enforcement, with regard to wildlife. This renders faulty, all the hard work done over the past 50 years, to bring Scotland up to some standard of excellence in making it a country to be emulated for pioneering more humane practice, and conservation of species. Allegations of inordinate influence by individuals and organisations have been made, that law enforcement has been "hindered", and this had lead to the present unease about the political will to really produce legislation that does not have get-out clauses. The Act under review requires firm amendment, and better still, a completely new Act.

Yours truly

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31 January 2018 17:25:29 Public Engagement Unit

To: Subject:

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From:

Sent: 31 January 2018 17:22

To: First Minister; Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land

Reform; Cabinet Secretary for Justice

Subject: Fw: Improving the Protection of Wild Animals in Scotland

Dear Minister,

Please don?t make minor changes to The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002. As you can see from my submission to the consultation on improving that Act I believe it is time to replace it with a law that really does ban fox hunting in Scotland.? Yours faithfully

(please see address below)

On Wednesday, 31 January 2018, 17:16, P Smith

• wrote:

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Like the vast majority of people in Scotland I believe there is no place for hunting with hounds in the 21st Century. The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act

2002 sought to end the killing of foxes by hounds but failed miserably.

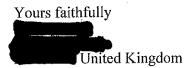
Fox hunters had their chance to change to drag hunting and stop killing foxes. They chose not to do that and, free from the attention of hunt saboteurs and of the police who totally failed to police the new law, they continued killing foxes.

Instead of making minor alterations to The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002 I ask the Scottish Government to replace that Act with a new law which truly bans hunting, lethal or otherwise, with dogs. I ask that it be made illegal to use dogs to deliberately chase wild mammals and that it be made illegal for people on horseback to chase wild mammals.

While I disagree that there is any legitimate need to kill foxes I fear the Scottish Government will continue to allow dogs to be used to flush foxes out of cover to be shot. If that is the case I urge you to do three things.

- 1: Limit the number of dogs to be used to two.
- 2: Make it mandatory that dogs used are fitted with safe muzzles.
- 3: Make it illegal to put terriers or other dogs into any hole in the ground to force any animal to the surface.

I urge the Scottish Government to create a law which truly bans fox hunting.



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Sent:

29 January 2018 14:47:53 Public Engagement Unit

To: Subject:

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From:

Sent: 29 January 2018 14:44

To: First Minister

Subject: consultation on Improving the Protection of Wild Mammals in Scotland

Dear First Minister

Below is the response to the consultation on Improving the Protection of Wild Mammals in Scotland that I've just sent.

Best wishes Patricia Fairey

This e-mail is my response to the consultation on Improving the Protection of Wild Mammals in Scotland since the questionnaire does not accord with my views.

The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002 failed to end the killing of foxes by hounds but such barbarity is simply inexcusable in the 21st century. Fox hunters have not taken up drag hunting and continue to kill foxes.

Instead of amending The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002 it would be much better to replace it with a new law banning hunting, using dogs to chase wild animals and chasing wild animals on horseback.

There is absolutely no need to kill foxes but if it is permitted for dogs to be used to flush foxes out of cover to be shot then:

- the number of dogs should be limited to two
- the dogs should wear muzzles
- the use of terriers should be banned.

I trust my views will be taken into consideration.

Best wishes



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From:

Sent: 28 January 2018 11:57

To: First Minister

Subject: The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

From:

To: Ms Nicola Sturgeon, First Minister, Scottish Government, Edinburgh

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Yours sincerely,

Submission

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29 January 2018 12:34:13 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

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From:

Sent: 29 January 2018 12:19

To: First Minister

Subject: improving the protection of wild mammals in Scotland

Dear Ms Sturgeon,

please scrap the severely flawed 2002 Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act and introduce a new law which actually does ban fox, hare and any other hunting of animals. Scotland has led the way with the ban on wild animals in circus now we must continue to show that the torture and killing of sentient beings for fun (as we know the excuse that it is for control is scientifically incorrect) is unacceptable and will not be tolerated in Scotland. Hunters do have an alternative in drag hunting.

I include below my submission to the consultation "improving the protection of wild mammals in Scotland":

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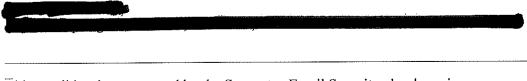
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Yours sincerely,



First Minister

Sent: To: 29 January 2018 08:43:36 Public Engagement Unit

Subject:

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From:

Sent: 28 January 2018 21:19

To: First Minister; Cabinet Secretary for the Environment, Climate Change and Land

Reform; Cabinet Secretary for Justice

Subject: Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act 2002

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If you live in Scotland please also copy your submission to your MSPs (via https://www.writetothem.com/<https://derefgmx.net/mail/client/t1sBJUhDaMY/dereferrer/?redirectUrl=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.writetothem.com%2F>) and let them know that you don?t want The Protection of Wild Mammals (Scotland) Act amended, you want it scrapped and replaced with a law which truly bans fox hunting.

We are sorry we?ve only been able to give you three days to do this but it is very important that you do and please ask anyone else you can think

would be interested to make a submission as well.

Yours faithfully,

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