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Good morning Ashley

Snaring was extensively debated during the Wildlife and Natural Environment Bill last year and the Parliament decided to allow snaring to continue based on certain provisions being introduced. These were compulsory snaring training courses and ID tags.

The PQs that you are receiving are due to a Parliamentary Petition PE1124 raised by the League Against Cruel Sports and Onekind (formerly Advocates for Animals) who are still pushing for snaring to be banned in Scotland.

Here is a link to Petition PE1124 that sets out the background. You will see that the Public Petitions Committee at their meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> March were going to write to DEFRA regarding your snares report and it is mentioned in subsequent meetings.

<http://www.scottish.parliament.uk/parliamentarybusiness/CurrentCommittees/40009.aspx>

Hope this is helpful but please do not hesitate to get back to me if you require further info.

Thanks

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We have recently had a PQ and other questions asking when we will publish our snares report. The interesting thing is they all imply that they wish to have it in order to inform debate in Scotland. I thought the debating was all over and policy was decided (even if not all implemented yet). Am I wrong, is policy/legislation concerning snares in Scotland still up for discussion ? Would be useful to know what the current situation is .

Thanks, [REDACTED]

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