

**PUBLIC PETITIONS COMMITTEE CONSIDERATION OF PE1497
QUESTIONS / ISSUES ARISING FROM COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

TUESDAY 3 June 2014

Scottish Government—

- Please explain further the circumstances when a Retail Impact Assessment may be required for a development of under 2,500 square metres.
- What is the view of the Scottish Government on the Federation of Small Businesses' proposal that request that the group which has been tasked by the Scottish Government with producing a "town centre master-planning toolkit" be asked to look into the issues raised by the petitioner?

TUESDAY 1 APRIL 2014

Scottish Government—

- How does the Scottish Government ensure consistent application of planning law?
- What assistance is available to small and medium sized retailers under the business rate relief or other similar schemes?

TUESDAY 28 JANUARY 2014

Petitioner—

- Please provide details of which shops have closed on Great Western Road and Queen Margaret Drive as a direct consequence of small local supermarkets opening in the area.
- What are the implications for customers of price competition resulting from the number of shops in the area?

Scottish Government—

- What is the Scottish Government's view on what the petition seeks and the discussions that took place at the meeting on 28 January?
- What is the Scottish Government's view on introducing Retail Impact Assessments for proposals to open new small local supermarkets?

Federation of Small Businesses in Scotland—

- What is the Federation's view on what the petition seeks and the discussions that took place at the meeting on 28 January?

Glasgow City Council—

Falkirk Council—

Stirling Council—
South Ayrshire Council—
Highland Council—
South Lanarkshire Council—

- What are your views on what the petition seeks and the discussions that took place at the meeting on 28 January?
- What has been the impact of new small local supermarkets opening in town centres?