

## Response ID ANON-CEQC-5NFP-N

Submitted to **Digital Transformation: Next Steps**

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### Part 1 - New digital services in the Keeper's registers

**1 Do you agree that transition to a digital first service should be the next step?**

No

**Comments:**

I think fixing the existing services, especially in rural areas, should be looked at significantly before this is pursued.

**2 Do you agree with the proposed timescale of 1 April 2018 for prescribing that advance notices over part be fully digital?**

Yes

**Comments:**

**3 Do you agree with a notice period of six months?**

Yes

**Comments:**

**4 Do you agree the initial focus for digital registration, following launch of the digital discharge service, should be provision of channels aimed at standard securities and dispositions?**

No

**Comments:**

This feels like railroading property owners without any consultation to them and will no doubt be seen as it being done "by the back door" and get an even worse view of property lawyers when it's nothing to do with us. I don't think it should be pushed as strongly as it is being as this is a major disadvantage for rural clients.

**5 What deed types do you consider we should prioritise for new services subsequent to securities and dispositions?**

**Comments:**

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**6 Do you consider that for the limited purpose of dual recording, it should be permissible to record an electronic deed in the sasine register or should be permissible to record a paper copy of the digital deed?**

**Comments:**

Yes - though in the North of Scotland dual recording is not limited, it's very common.

**7 Do you agree that ten working days from the date of digital submission is an appropriate period to allow the prior deeds to be submitted?**

No

**Comments:**

I feel 14-20 days would be more appropriate.

**8 Do you have a view on alternative ways you would like to present supporting documents accompanying a digital application?**

No

**Comments:**

### Part 2 - Digital application form and submission process

**9 Do you agree with the main changes that we propose to make to the application form?**

Yes

**Comments:**

**10 Are there any other changes you suggest we should make with a view to simplifying it and making it easier to follow?**

No

Comments:

**11 Do you agree that instead of prescribing the content of the application form in the Land Register Rules, the keeper should publish the land registration application form on an administrative basis so that it can be amended from time to time, following consultation and due notice, without the need for changes to be made to the rules?**

Yes

Comments:

**12 Do you agree that this approach should be adopted for both applications submitted on paper and applications prepared through a digital service provided by the keeper?**

Yes

Comments:

## About You

What is your name?

Name:

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What is your email address?

Email:

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Are you responding as an individual or an organisation?

Individual

What is your organisation?

Organisation:

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Yes

## Evaluation

Please help us improve our consultations by answering the questions below. (Responses to the evaluation will not be published.)

Matrix 1 - How satisfied were you with this consultation?:

Slightly dissatisfied

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Very satisfied

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Easy to read and easy to follow.