A VISION OF INDEPENDENT SCOTLAND

"It is in truth not for glory, nor riches, nor honours that we are fighting, but for freedom - for that alone".

PEOPLE HAVE LIVED IN SCOTLAND FOR OVER TWELVE THOUSAND YEARS.
IT IS TIME TO LOOK AT OUR SOVEREIGN NATION, OUR PAST, AND CHART OUR OWN FUTURE.

We want a free, democratic, socially responsible society, accountable to and controlled by we, the Scottish people, to maximise relationships in Europe and beyond, as a good friend, a great neighbour, and a prosperous Nation.

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NEW SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS (DRAFT)

READ THIS. TELL YOUR CHILDREN THEIR FREEDOM & FUTURE IS HERE.

SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART ONE - Scottish Fundamental Rights & Freedoms:
- Sovereignty belongs to the people of the Scottish Nation, & it is inalienable.
- All People have a right to personal freedom & to be treated equally & fairly.
- All People have the right to life, liberty, freedom of movement, & security of person.
- All People have a right to belief of conscience or religion & its teaching, practice, or observance.
- All People have a right to Freedom from physical or psychological abuse, oppression or coercion.
- All people have a right to profess beliefs publicly & privately, but not a right to offend morality.
- All Scots have equal social status with no distinction for origin, race, colour, creed, sex, or gender.
- All Scots have the unequivocal right to an equal share in National Wealth & a National Wealth Fund.
- All Scots are entitled to a Universal Basic Income, to provide honourable, decent & livable means.
- All Scots have the right to express thoughts freely by speech & other communications.
- All Scots have a right to Freely travel domestically & abroad with no hindrance except under Law
- All Scots have a right to privacy, privacy in the home, & privacy of communications.
- Every Scot has a right & duty to undertake activities promoting community & social progress.
- Every Scot has a right to free Medical, Dental, Psychiatric Care & assistance from Emergency Services.
- Every Scot has a right to participate in government, directly or via freely chosen representatives.
- Every Scot has a right to Community Security via Local & National effort & International Cooperation.
- All Scots have a right to peacefully wander, subject to avoiding nuisance, or for National Security.
- All Scots have a right to use cash, this right shall not be removed nor cash refused for any reason.
- All Scots have a right to own & enjoy property (Including I.P.) & it shall not be arbitrarily removed.
- All Scots have a right to freedom of association & peaceful assembly, free from intimidation.
- All Scots have a right to form or join any peaceful club, trade union, society or organisation.
- All Scots have a right NOT to be compelled to join any club, trade union, society or organisation.
- All Scots have a right to savings & security of same, & access to credit on beneficial terms.
- All Scots & their Families have a right to equal, fair & beneficial access to public services.
- All Scots have a right of protection from online stalking/targeting & abuse of their personal image.
- All Scots have the right to travel & stay freely in any part of the Nation, save limitations under Law.
- All Scots have a right that public & private economic activities are directed towards social ends.
- All Scots have the right to education, freely participate in community, cultural life & enjoy the arts.
- All Scots have a right to free education, free further education & vocational training.
- No Person shall be discriminated against for origins, race, colour, creed, sex, gender, or status.
- No person shall be subject to torture, cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment.
- No person shall be subject to arbitrary arrest, unfair detention or exile.

SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART TWO - Targeted Protection Rights for Vulnerable Groups:
- All Homelessness & Child Poverty shall be eradicated in the Scottish Nation.
- ALL CHILDREN SHALL BE PROTECTED BY THE NATION & BY RESPONSIBLE ADULTS.
- GIRLS & YOUNG WOMEN HAVE A RIGHT TO SPECIAL PROTECTION
- No Person shall be held in slavery or servitude & human trafficking shall be rooted out.
- All Scots have a right & a duty to report for any other person who is or may be suffering harm/abuse.
- Organised Crime damages Nation, Community & people, (Drugs, Gangsters), & shall be rooted out.
- Women, Children & Youth have a right to special protection from online stalking, abuse & coercion.
- CHILDREN HAVE A RIGHT TO A PEACEFUL HAPPY CHILDHOOD, WITH PLAY, NURTURING & SUPPORT.
- Scottish culture applies for women & children of other cultures e.g. FGM of girls is considered abuse.
- Scots suffering addictions shall be treated as medically ill & have a right to medical care.
- Scots with physical Mobility issues have a right to unhindered proper access to public buildings.

SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART THREE - Political & Democratic Freedoms & Rights:
- All Scots have both the right and duty to vote in elections after reaching their majority.
- All Scots have the right that their Votes are personal, equal, free, & secret.
- All Scots have the right to associate freely in democratic parties & participate in politics.
- All Scots have a right to petition & demand action or legislative measures, or set forth general needs.
- All Scots are equally eligible for public office & elected positions.

WHY IS SCOTLAND SO WEALTHY?

HEAVY & LIGHT INDUSTRY
MANUFACTURING
SERVICES & RETAIL
RAPID GROWTH INDUSTRIES:
Renewable Energy & Offshore Wind
Technology, Fintech, Cyber Security,
Software & Data Analysis
Wind & Wave Power & Green Technologies,
Tourism & Hospitality, Trading & Services
Life Sciences & Healthcare & Medical Devices.
Biotechnology, Pharmaceuticals, Devices.
Food & Drink, Food Technology,
Whisky/Gin, Distilling & Brewing.
Creative Industries, Film, Television,
Gaming Development & Special Digital Media.
Design, Construction & Infrastructure,
Management & Engineering.
Education, Skills Learning, Trades & Crafts.
Investment, Financial Trading, Banking.
Marine Development & Fisheries.
Oil & Gas Exploration, Science & Technology..

INVENTION & INNOVATION:
From Steam Engines, to Medicine & Cyber Technology, Scotland has always been a world leader.

NATURAL RESOURCES:
Scotland has a huge abundance of natural resources: fertile land, Scottish Waters; Huge Oil & Gas reserves, Deep Coal, Opencast Coal; Zinc, Iron & Oil Shale.

POPULATION & EDUCATION
Scotland has a highly Educated Population, & one of the highest education standards in the world.

LANDS & FORESTS:
19% of Scottish Land is Forest, Largely in Public Ownership. Planting & Harvesting; Sawmilling; Pulp; Paper, & higher value goods.

FARMING & AGRICULTURE
Only 25% of Scottish arable land is used for agriculture so there is room for massive expansion: Cereals; Barley; Wheat; Potatoes; Fruits; Sheep Raising, Dairying; Cattle & much more including for Bio-Fuels.

Instead of Supporting others with Our Wealth & Industry, we can focus on Ourselves & Prosper. (Even if we Developed nothing new, we can thrive on our existing very successful GDP).

THE SCOTTISH PEOPLE

SCOTTISH CASTLE OWNERSHP RESTORED E.G. USED AS A REST & WOMEN & CHILDRENS RETREAT.

Just Say YES

The Sovereign Scottish People in Charge of the Nation.

The Bill of Rights of the Scottish Nation

The Fundamental Rights every citizen enjoys.

PRESIDENT OF THE SCOTTISH NATION

Guardian of The Bill of Rights and Constitution..

The Scottish Constitution

Rule Book for Society, Government Law & Business.

SCOTTISH CASTLE OWNERSHP RESTORED E.G. USED AS A MUSEUM OF SCOTLAND'S LONG HISTORY.

Just Say YES

Hawick
Glasgow
Inverness
Perth
Stirling
Dumfries
Ayr

Kirkwall
Aberdeen
Dundee
Dunfermline
Edinburgh
Lerwick &
Many Others.

THE PRESIDENT

THE FIRST MINISTER & CABINET MSPs.

NATIONALLY DISPERSED GOVERNMENTAL DIRECTORATES COVERING:
Civil Defence Directorate.
Cyber Security & Digital Health
Environment, Climate, & Sustainability
Social Justice & Safer Communities
Public Service Reform & Development
Equality, Inclusion & Human Rights
lections, Referenda & Public Demands
Air Transport Network Development
Rail & Transport Network Development
Road Transport Network Development
Ports & Harbours Operation & Expansion
Fixed Link - EU & Ireland Development
Jobs, Careers, Professions & Trades Creation
Orkney Islands Development Initiative
Western Islands Development Initiative
Shetland Islands Development Initiative
Planning, Architecture & Regeneration
Local Council Government & Housing
Public Finance & Spending Controls.
National Social Care & Security
Economic Development
Scottish National Bank

MOST DISPERSED TO CITIES, TOWNS, VILLAGES & LOCAL COUNCILS .
Education, Learning & Skills
Families, Early Learning & Childcare
Youth Health & Development
Science & Technology Development
International Trade & Investment
Business & Trading Development
Scottish Procurement & Property
Security & Intelligence Services
Land, Minerals & Forestry Development
Wind & Wave Power Development
Oil & Gas Control & Development
Agriculture & Rural Development
Primary Care Development & GP Support
Scottish Defence & Armed Forces
Scottish Special Coastguard Services
Fire, Ambulance & Paramedic Services
Medical & Nursing Services Development
Scottish Water & Electricity Development
Health & Wellbeing Development
Mental Health Care Development
Marine & Waterway Development
External Affairs
Tax Directorate

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT - HOLYROOD

NATIONAL ASSEMBLY
MSPs elected by the People for 5 5 years to work for the people. (Includes First Minister & FM/s Cabinet).

SENATE ASSEMBLY
(Holyrood or Elsewhere In Scotland) 51 Persons Appointed by the People for 10 years. (Canada & France have Similar).

THE FOUR PILLARS OF SCOTLAND

THE PEOPLE
The Human Dimension. Knowledge, Skills,& Health We Accumulate.

COMMUNITY
The Social Capital. The Ties That Bind.. Networks, Values.

ENVIRONMENT
The Natural Capital. What Nature Gives Us For Free.

BUSINESS
The Economic Capital. Financial, Intellectual, Physical Assets. Creating Goods & Services.

And Towns

And Villages

WHAT IS THE JOB OF... ?

ALL SCOTS:
Support the Nation & each other, vote, contribute to society, look after the vulnerable & zealously defend the Bill of Rights.

THE BILL OF RIGHTS:
Defines the Rights of Sovereign Scots, Scopes the Constitution, Government, Business & Law.

THE PRESIDENT:
Head of State. Represents & Protects the People. Guardian of the Bill of Rights.& Constitution. Oversees Government & Endorses Laws. Promotes Prosperity, Health & Wealth, & a positive International Standing.

THE CONSTITUTION:
Defines the Authority, Structure & Operation of Government, Directorates, Councils, the Law, Military, Security, & sets acceptable standards for behaviours, ethics & business.

SCOTTISH GOVERNMENT:
Manage the Nation for the people, deliver on the Bill of Rights, deliver prosperity & operate ethically in accordance with the Constitution & the Law..

DECENTRALISED DIRECTORATES:
Manage their Specialism for the People, to the Constitution, Government Instructions & Law; Uphold the Bill of Rights & contribute to Prosperity.

THE FIRST MINISTER:
Lead the Cabinet & Government for the People. Represent the Nation. Exercise shared Authority with the President, wisely & with dignity..

THE NATIONAL ASSEMBLY:
Represent the People. Debate & vote on key issues. Pass Laws & Policy; Deliver Promises, Contribute to the Wealth Fund.

THE SENATE ASSEMBLY:
Debate National Issues, Endorse/veto Laws & Policy. Look to the Future & advise on wise courses of action.

Political Party Agendas must not be used to disrupt the Effective Progress & Prosperity of the Nation & the People. The Job of ALL Concerned is Collaboration, not Conflict.

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SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART FOUR - Marriage, Partnerships, Family & Homes Rights:
- All adults have the right to choose & marry or partner any other consenting adult.
- All married or partnered couples, or individuals, have the right to establish a family & have children.
- No Person shall be Forced, pressurised or coerced into marriage & any marriage of a minor is banned.
- A family is a fundamental group unit of society & has the right to National protection.
- All Scottish families are entitled to a home which is safe & warm.

SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART FIVE - Scottish Education, Sciences, Culture & Arts Rights:
- Education of the young is free & compulsory between age 5 & their majority.
- Schooling includes arts, health, crafts, trades, civics, business, commercial, life skills & academic.
- Youths shall be afforded free access to 'Outward Bound' wilderness courses, if desired.
- Schools, Universities, Colleges & seats of learning shall, subject to entry needs, be open to everyone.
- All Scots have moral & material interests protection of/in/from scientific/literary/artistic productions.
- Scientists/Inventors/Authors/Creators right to protection from Copywrite or I.P. theft by any means.
- All Scots have a right to share in scientific & technological advancement & its benefits.

SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART SIX - Work, Salaries, Wages & Payment Rights:
- None of the protections/rights herein may be in any way cancelled or curtailed by a Contract.
- All Scots have a right to work, free choice of work, favourable conditions & unemployment protection.
- All Scots women have a right to equal treatment & equal pay & equal pension & equal remunerations.
- Everyone has the right to rest & leisure, including limited working hours & periodic holidays with pay.
- Recruitment processes & Promotion processes shall be transparent & verifiably free from any bias.
- Employment Terms & Remuneration shall be verifiably fair, equal, equitable & free of any bias.
- Every Citizen is entitled to a weekly day of rest & annual paid holidays; & cannot relinquish this right.
- Every Scot has a right to insurance for injury, illness, disability, old age & involuntary unemployment.
- Employers shall indemnify all employees against work related accidents and death.
- Everyone has the right to withdraw their labour (The Right to Strike)
- Termination of employment shall be "face to face" & follow verifiably fair unbiased processes.
- Every Worker has the right to vocational training & professional enhancement.

SCOTTISH BILL OF RIGHTS - PART SEVEN - Rights Under Scottish Justice & The Law:
- All Persons shall be treated fairly & equally under the Laws of Scotland, in its use & application.
- All persons have the right of protection of their personal safety & privacy under the Law.
- All Scots shall be protected from crime, as such Criminality is a Personal Responsibility to be punished.
- All Scots have the right bring a case before a court of law in order to protect their rights under Law.
- All Scots have a right not to be detained, inspected, searched, or restricted save by order of the Law.
- All persons are equal under Law & shall enjoy protection against wrong or discrimination.
- The Scottish right to a defence is inviolable at every stage & instance of legal proceedings.
- All formally accused persons are entitled to competent legal representation at all times.
- All persons have the right to a trial, to be treated fairly by a Court, & are innocent until proven guilty.
- All Scots have a right to a fair independent tribunal to resolve issues of rights, obligations, or charges.
- Detention pending trial shall be used only when ordered by a court
- Legal punishments are limited to loss of freedom & freedom of movement, fines & restitution.
- Everyone has the right to seek & enjoy asylum from persecution, where asylum is granted.
- Communities have a right to protection from Drug Crime, so Drugs shall be legalized & Regulated.
- No Scot will be deprived of Nationality (e.g. a child born in Scotland) nor denied to change Nationality.
- Foreigners accepting residency shall formally agree to the Bill of Rights of the Scottish Nation.
- No one shall be deprived of legal capacity, citizenship, or name for religious or political reasons.
- Whistleblowers act in National interest, so have a right to the fullest protection from reprisal/abuse.
- All Scots have a right to be protected from having their private data harvested & sold.
- Policing shall focus on community protection, crime prevention as well as detection/conviction
- SEXUAL ABUSE OF CHILDREN, SHALL CARRY SEVERE PENALTIES & RESTRICTIONS UNDER LAW.
- PENALTIES FOR ABUSE OF GIRLS, YOUNG WOMEN, OR VULNERABLES SHALL BE HARSH & EFFECTIVE.

SCOTTISH RESOURCES

SCOTTISH DEFENCE & SECURITY

SCOTTISH MILITARY
- ARMY AIR FORCE SERVICE
- NAVY COAST GUARD SERVICE
- CIVIL DEFENCE SERVICE
- CUSTOMS & BORDER CONTROL

SCOTTISH POLICING
- COMMUNITY POLICING
- CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION UNIT
- COMMUNITY PROTECTION UNIT
- FORENSIC ANALYSIS UNIT

SPECIAL RESPONDERS
- ORGANISED CRIME SQUAD
- SECURITY & INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
- FIRE & AMBULANCE SERVICES

Scotland has substantial organisations & Assets. These can be rationalized. The NEW COAST GUARD SERVICE will be Protection, Marine Security & Environment Management driven.

TRANSPARANCY

Measures in the Constitution will provide for openness in government policy, clarity that decisions & actions are based on Law, Regulation & norms, & that open access & Freedom of Information informs the Public. Comprehensive Checks & Balances will also be defined.

SCOTTISH VAST FOREST, LAND & CROWN ESTATE OWNERSHIP & REVENUES WILL BE RESTORED TO THE NATION.

SCOTTISH WATERS, LANDS, COASTS & ISLANDS

Scotland's vast territory includes about 180,000 Square Miles of sea area, 30,000 Square Miles of land, 30,000 fresh water lochs, 78,000 Miles of rivers, 18,000 miles of coast & 790 islands. Only around 94 of those islands are inhabited. These cry out for population & are all steeped in opportunity. As one example: Aquaculture e.g. Natural Mussel or Oyster farming can be low cost, low input, high yield & extremely profitable, growing fish populations likewise.

SCOTTISH VAST SEA BEDS & MARINE RIGHTS OWNERSHIP & REVENUES WILL BE RESTORED TO THE NATION.

CREATING & SHARING WEALTH

Government shall establish The Scottish National Wealth Fund where shares of the profits of all National Enterprises, Sale of Scottish Resources or Assets & shares in any National Business Partnership ventures are owned by & shared among the people, & used by the Nation for further agreed initiatives.

SCOTTISH FARMS CAN BE BROUGHT TO EVEN MORE PRODUCTIVE USE & EXPANDED IN VOLUME & PRODUCE.

PEOPLE'S NATIONAL ACTION PROGRAMME

Where required by 150,000 Scots, transparent Effective Action Programme, Shall be set up, for urgent/important issues, of development, societal risk, threats, or improved quality of life in Scotland or elsewhere. EXAMPLES:
- Denuclearisation, of Scotland & Removal of weapons by the owners.
- Restoration of Public Service in Supermarkets, Banks and on High Streets.
- Compulsory Purchase or Seizure of Assets to belong to the Scottish Nation.
- Provision of National Support to an Underprivileged or Persecuted Group.

This assures that Government is agile & responsive to the people's needs.

SCOTTISH SOVEREIGN WEALTH FUND DEVELOPMENT
(Examples)
Operation Defined in The Constitution.

- PEOPLE'S TRANSPORT COMPANY.
- PEOPLE'S NATIONAL BANK
- INFRASTRUCTURE COMPANY.
- PEOPLE'S FINANCE COMPANY.
- SEAS & AQUICULTURE COMPANY
- PEOPLE'S INVESTMENT COMPANY.
- SOVREIGN LAND COMPANY.
- PEOPLE'S WATER COMPANY.
- S.M.E. START UPS INVESTMENT.
- OIL & GAS REVENUE SHARES RETURNS.
- PEOPLE'S TELECOM COMPANY.
- PEOPLE'S POST OFFICE COMPANY.
- SPACE EXPLORATION INVESTMENT
- CURRENCY & TRADING COMPANY.
- PEOPLE'S POWER COMPANY.
- FORESTRY DEVELOPMENT.COMPANY

...Getting Government Close to the People.

SPECIAL SECURITY VETTING

Because of the vast additional wealth Independent Scotland will generate, careful Vetting will be required of groups & individuals in our new Bank, our New Currency & New Ventures, to ensure control is in the best interests of Scotland & not in the hands of those with outside pressures or allegiances.

ETHICS SAFEGUARDS & ASSURANCES

All Politicians, Councilors & Officers shall sign a Legally binding Social Contract to act ethically, uphold the Bill of Rights & Constitution, & not to lie to, deceive, or defraud the Nation. They shall be examined by Tribunal at the People's demand & removed from office if they are found to have broken the Contract.

As Norway or Denmark, Government will be lean. Like France & Italy, a President & First Minister share Executive Power. Two Assemblies keep Government in check. The Sovereign People's Bill of Rights is the top tier document & It feeds the Constitution. All these prevent abuses e.g. like those recently seen in USA.

INDEPENDENT SCOTLAND CAN THRIVE WITHOUT THESE NEW INITIATIVES, BUT WITH THESE, WE CAN BECOME ONE OF THE WORLD'S WEALTHIEST NATIONS.

SOCIAL & ECONOMIC MOBILITY

Social & Economic mobility is a cornerstone of a successful Nation. Such mobility is evidence of a vibrant dynamic culture & economy.
- Unearned Wealth shall be taxed in whatever form it takes.
- As a principle, early Entrepreneurial Income should not be taxed.
- Group & Community Social inequities shall be addressed
- Housing costs shall be significantly reduced Locally & Nationally.
- Individual/small group start-ups shall be encouraged/nurtured.

SCOTTISH INCOME & REVENUES

WEALTH TAX
BUSINESS RATES
INHERITANCE TAX
VALUE ADDED TAX
CAPITAL GAINS TAX
CORPORATIONS TAX
ASSET VALUE APPRECIATION
SCOTTISH OIL & GAS RECEIPTS
MARINE REVENUES, FEES & TAX
SHIPPING, TRAWLER & FISHING SALES
LAND & BUILDINGS TRANSACTION TAX
TAX ON ALCOHOL, CIGARETTES & DRUGS
REVENUE FROM OTHER NATURAL RESOURCES
REVENUE FROM RESPONSIBLE SCOTTISH MINING
COMPENSATION & RESTORATION FUND INCOME.
EARNINGS FROM SCOTTISH OWNED ENTERPRISES
SHARE DIVIDENDS FROM SUPPORTED ENTERPRISES
EXPORTED SCOTTISH ELECTRICITY & WATER SALES
COMPULSORY PURCHASE & RESALE REVENUES
STOCK MARKET SHARES & DIVIDEND SHARES
BETTING & GAMBLING COMPANY TAX LEVYS
PERMISSIONS, APPROVALS AND FEES
INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY INCOME
IMPORTED PROCESSED FOOD TAX
TOURISM FUNDS, FEES AND TAX
RENTING OUT SCOTTISH ASSETS
FEES, ASSESSMENTS & LOANS
FINES, GRANTS & SURPLUSES
LOCAL COUNCIL INCOME
MOTOR VEHICHLE TAX
NATIONAL INSURANCE
AIR PASSENGER DUTY
AIR FREIGHT DUTY
LANDFILL TAX
INCOME TAX
FUEL DUTY

Plus Income from any other Development The Nation decides to invest in, or to create In villages, Towns, Cities, Nationally, or abroad.

NEW SCOTTISH CONSTITUTIONAL LAW

CIVIL LAW & COURT
- Supreme Court of Scotland
- Court of Session
- Sheriff Court

CRIMINAL LAW & COURT
- Scottish High Court
- Sheriff Court
- District Court
- Justice of the Peace Court

SPECIAL HEARINGS
- Tribunals & Disputes
- Scottish Children's Hearings
- Courts Marshall
- Public Enquiries

The Scottish Legal System draws from Civil Law tradition and has most in common with Civil Law traditions in France

SCOTTISH TALENT:

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