These notes relate to the Islands (Scotland) Act 2018 (asp 12) which received Royal Assent on 6 July 2018

# **ISLANDS (SCOTLAND) ACT 2018**

# **EXPLANATORY NOTES**

## **OVERVIEW OF THE ACT**

### **PART 1 – KEY DEFINITIONS**

#### Section 2 – Meaning of "island community"

7. This section defines "island community" for the purposes of the Act. This has a broad meaning, which includes communities resident on a single island, communities which span a group of islands, and communities of common interest. An island community may include a group of people whose common interest, identity or geography includes uninhabited islands, so long as there are links to the natural or cultural heritage or economy of an inhabited island.