SCHEDULE

RULES OF THE SCOTTISH LAND COURT 2014

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- **48.**—(1) For the purpose of determining a case, the court may, if it thinks fit, obtain by any means it thinks fit such factual information (being information which supplements or is otherwise additional to the factual information contained in the written submissions) as it considers may be relevant.
 - (2) Where the court obtains information by virtue of paragraph (1) it is to—
 - (a) inform the parties of the substance of the information;
 - (b) identify to the parties the source of the information;
 - (c) inform the parties of the means of communication employed in obtaining the information; and
 - (d) give the parties an opportunity to make further written submissions, or to be heard orally, as respects the information.
 - (3) But the court may elect to carry out—
 - (a) some only of the things listed in sub-paragraphs (a) to (d) of paragraph (2); or
 - (b) none of those things,

if it is satisfied that the information so obtained is irrelevant to its determination or that it is appropriate in the circumstances for it so to elect.