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Dear Mr Watson,

**Change of chair access and planning committee and vice-convener**

At the March meeting of the LLTNP meeting there was a paper reporting that Owen McKee had stepped down as Chair of the Access and Planning Committee and Vice-convener of the Board on 12th December 2014 and setting out arrangements to replace him. Mr McKee attended the Board Meeting on 8th December 2014 and at that meeting gave a verbal report as Chair of the Access and Planning and the minute gives no indication that he was about to step down. Mr McKee did not attend the Planning and Access Committee that was held on 15th December but the minute of that meeting records his apologies as chair and there is no record that he had stood down as chair. This seems very strange if he had actually stood down on 12th December.

I believe it is in the public interest for the National Park to give a clear account as to why Mr McKee stood down. I can find no other public record of what happened or why but if there is information about this that has been published would be grateful if you could point me towards it.

If not, I would be interested the explanation for this, or if you are not prepared to give this would be grateful if you could provide me with:

* The contents of any written statement from Mr McKee indicating why he stood down, when this was written and when received by the LLTNP
* Any emails or other communications between Board members on this issue between the date Mr McKee stood down and the Board meeting in March
* Any other information held by the Park Authority on why Mr McKee stood down

Yours Sincerely,

Nick Kempe

Cc Sandra Dalziel, Legal and Governance Manager