



Mr Nick Kempe
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EIR Ref: 2016/062

19th December 2016

Dear Mr Kempe

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

I refer to your request for information, received by email on 19th November 2016.

We have applied the exemption under Section 39(2) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 as we have determined that the information sought in your request is environmental information. We are therefore handling your request under the terms of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs). In this case the public interest in maintaining this exemption and in dealing with the request in line with the requirements of the EIRs outweighs any public interest in disclosing the information under FOISA.

Your specific requests and the response from the National Park Authority are provided below.

“15 September 2014 Map Loch Voil what is the meaning/definition/significance of the two large black and three large yellow dots.”

The yellow and dark green dots, which appear on this slide, are part of the background layers of mapping used and were not of any relevance to the content of the PowerPoint presentation. The slide was used to give a visual example of how a camping management zone was mapped. This slide is now out of date.

“16th March 2015 Slide 30 what is the meaning of shoulder day”.

The term ‘shoulder day’ is used to identify the days at the beginning of March and end of October, at each end of the main visitor season.

“16th March Slide 30: please provide me with any written information the Park holds about how it came up with the maximum permits available for peak weekends, standard weekends/peak weekday, ordinary weekday and shoulder day.”

Under R10(4)(c) of the EIRs, we have to advise that it has not been possible to identify relevant information to answer this request, as it is formulated in too general a manner.

In order to comply with our duty to advise and assist under R9 of the EIRs, we can advise that the information contained within the slides from the 16th March formed part of early thinking about how permits could be allocated and to what volume. This slide is now out of date.

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The most up to date information on where permits are to be issued and in what numbers, is publically available in the Park Authority's Camping Development Strategy, which can be found on our website at:

<http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/rr-content/uploads/2016/07/Agenda-Item-8-Appendix-1-Camping-Development-Strategy.pdf>

“Please also provide me with any information the Park holds about what constitutes a Peak Weekend as opposed to a Standard Weekend.”

The terms ‘peak weekend’ and ‘standard weekend’ are descriptive terms, used to refer to levels of activity in the National Park, based on seasonal factors such as public holidays and typical weather. This slide is now out of date.

Yours sincerely

Governance & Legal Team
Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority

Review Procedure

If you are dissatisfied with this response, or the way in which the Authority has dealt with your request, you are entitled to ask the Authority to review its decision. Please note that in order for a review to take place you must:-

- Lodge a written request for a review within 40 working days of either the date on which you received a response from the Authority or the date by which you should have received a response under the terms of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004, whichever is the later.
- Include your name, address for correspondence, a description of the original request, and the reasons why you are dissatisfied; and

address your review request to:

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Please note that links provided to information available elsewhere are intended to assist you. Requests for information held by other public authorities, and any complaints regarding access to such information should be addressed to that authority. These review procedures relate only to

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information which is directly under the control of Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority.

The review of your request will be handled by staff who were not involved in the original decision. You will receive notice of the result of your review within 20 working days.

If you are not satisfied with the response to your request for review, you can contact the Scottish Information Commissioner, the independent body which oversees the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004, at:

Scottish Information Commissioner

Kinburn Castle

Doubledykes Road

St Andrews

Fife

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Tel: 01344 464 610

Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info

E-mail: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

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