

Mr Nick Kempe nickkempe1@gmail.com EIR Ref: 2017/004

3<sup>rd</sup> February 2017

Dear Mr Kempe

## **REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004**

I refer to your request for information, received by email on 7<sup>th</sup> January 2017.

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.

please provide me with all information the LLTNPA holds on how it developed its submission to the Land Reform Review Group and who was involved in this, including:

a) Were any Board Members involved in developing the content or approving the submission and were any meetings involving Board Members held to discuss this? If so, please provide all written information pertaining to those meetings and any communications from Board Members about the submission.

The Park Authority Convener attended a meeting with members of the Land Reform Review Group on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> February 2013. All information held in relation to this meeting is attached.

There is no information held regarding Board Member involvement in developing the content or approving the Park Authority's consultation response. There is no record of any meeting involving Board Members, or communications from Board Members to discuss the Park Authority submission to the Land Reform Review Group. Accordingly I have to advise under R10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not held.

# b) Who was present (staff and Board Members) at the presentation to the Land Reform Review Group?

The agenda from the meeting held by the Park Authority on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2013 is attached, which includes the list of proposed attendees. There is no other information held about which staff

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attended this meeting. Accordingly I have to advise under R10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not held.

c) Any presentation or information given to the LRRG apart from the formal submission which is available through the LRRG section of the Scottish Government website.

The welcome brief from the meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> February 2013 is attached along with the respondee information form which was sent with the formal response to Scottish Government. A contact telephone number has been redacted from this form in accordance with Regulation 11(2) of the EIRs and the Data Protection Principles.

While the agenda shows that a presentation was given by the then Director of the Park Authority, a search of all record drives, which returned over 1,000 files, did not find any written or slide presentation. Accordingly I have to advise under R10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not held

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 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 KY16 9DS

Tel: 01344 464 610

Website: <a href="mailto:www.itspublicknowledge.info">www.itspublicknowledge.info</a> E-mail: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

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