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EIR Ref 2019/023

27th November 2019

Dear Mr Kempe

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 30th October 2019. The information you have requested is environmental information, as defined in Regulation 2 of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs). The Park Authority has an obligation to deal with your request under the EIRs and an option to also deal with your request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA), unless the public interest lies in dealing with your request solely under the EIRs. We consider that the public interest in dealing with your request solely under the EIRs outweighs the public interest in also dealing with your request under FOISA, on the basis that the public interest is not served by duplicating consideration of your request under both regimes. We have therefore applied the exemption in section 39(2) of FOISA and dealt with your request under the EIRs alone.

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

“I am writing to ask under FOI/EIRs for the information the LLTNPA holds on the costs of developing and operating the Loch Chon and Loch Achray campsites. I had already asked about this for Loch Chon in the early stages of its development and had been provided with a very helpful response EIR2017/040 and for the avoidance of doubt and not looking for that information again.

In that EIR dated May 2017 it was stated no further development costs were associated for 2017/18. I know that subsequently there has been significant investment in the campsite with new "artificial" camping pitches, a borehole etc so in relation to Loch Chon would be grateful if could clarify:

a) whether there were any further development costs incurred 2017-18 and if so a high level breakdown of what this was spent on (e.g borehole)

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b) development costs incurred in 2018-19 and 2019-20 up until the campsite was closed on 30th Sept 2019

c) running costs for 2018-19 and 2019-20.

In relation to Loch Achray, I would like to request:

a) total development costs incurred prior to the campsite being opened for business, again by main heading and, as you did with Loch Chon a recording of how this related to budget

b) any further development costs incurred since the campsite opened

c) operational costs relating to campsite operation prior to it opening (eg I know Park employed at least one person the year the campsite was due to open)

d) operational costs for campsite this year 2019-20.”

The requested information has been provided in attached Appendix A.

Yours sincerely

**Governance and Legal Team
Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority**

Review Procedure

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

- Send your request for review in writing, setting out in full the reasons why you are requesting a review.
- Submit your review request 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 Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, whichever is the later.
- address your review request to:

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The review 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 Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, at:

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