

FOI Ref: 2018-012

18<sup>th</sup> September 2018

## **REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002**

I refer to your request for information, received by email on 4<sup>th</sup> September 2018. Your specific requests and the Park Authority's response are provided below.

"A list of all current contracts with Idox with annual costs"

and

"Total annual spend with IDOX for each of the last 20 years for the Park (or as long as possible if the relationship does not extend that far back)"

The current contract the Park Authority has with IDOX is for the support and maintenance of IDOX ePlanning software utilised and shared by Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority and Cairngorms National Park Authority. Details of the annual costs are as follows:

- 2018/19 Total to date £20,063
- 2017/18 £46,533
- 2004/05 to 2016/17 £690,929

The average annual cost of the current contract and all preceding ones is just under £50k.

"Copies of all the currently in situ contracts with IDOX"

and

"All documents submitted in the tender processes for the contracts which IDOX currently operates (including competing bidding documents from other companies)"

The competition and contract documents can be accessed at: <a href="https://ccs-agreements.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/contracts/rm1059">https://ccs-agreements.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/contracts/rm1059</a>

Accordingly we can advise that this information is exempt under section 25 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, as it I can reasonably be obtained via the hyperlink provided. This is an absolute exemption which means there is no requirement to apply the public interest test to the release of the information as it is already publically available.

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The current contact was acquired without competition using a Crown Commercial Services Framework, there were no competing bidding documents from other companies. Accordingly, we have to advise you under section 17(1)(b) of the Act, that this information is not held.

Yours sincerely

Governance & 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:

Governance & Legal Team
Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority
National Park Headquarters
Carrochan
Carrochan Road
Balloch
G83 8EG

E-mail: info@lochlomond-trossachs.org

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:

Scottish Information Commissioner Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road St Andrews Fife KY16 9DS

Tel: 01334 464610

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