



EIR Ref: 2018/016

16<sup>th</sup> July 2018

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

I refer to your request for information, received by email on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2018. 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.

With reference to the document <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/rr-content/uploads/2016/07/SG-Housing-2017-adopted-1.pdf> please could you inform me:

**1. At what date this guidance came into force within the National Park;**

June 2017, following approval by the Park Authority planning committee in May 2017.

<http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/park-authority/our-board-committees/meetings/2017-planning-access-committee-meetings/planning-access-committee-meeting-22nd-may-2017/>

### **LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY**

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2. **Since that date, how many affordable homes have been committed to be developed within the National Park, broken down by financial year;**

Financial year	No. of affordable homes
2017/18 excluding months prior to adoption	affordable houses approved June 2017 - March 31st 2018 - 58
financial year 2018 until present	affordable homes approved 31st March 2018 - present (July 2018) - 0

3. **The number of developments (planning applications) from which these commitments arise;**

There have been four planning applications from which these commitments arise, details as follows:

Planning reference	Town	Approval date	Total Number units	Affordable units
2015/0241/DET	Drymen	28/09/2017	10	10
2016/0360/DET	Drymen	09/08/2017	36	24
2017/0174/DET	Callander	02/08/2017	4	4
2016/0399/DET	Balmaha	27/03/2018	22	20

4. **The total of the commuted sums, broken down by financial year, that have been received in lieu of delivery of/commitment to affordable homes; and**

Since adoption of Housing guidance there has been no commuted sum taken. Accordingly, I have to advise you under section 10(4)(a) of the Regulations, that there is no information held.

5. **Including only those applications for which a commuted sum was required, the average commuted sum per application.**

N/A, see answer to Q4 above.

Yours sincerely

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## 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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