



EIR Ref: 2017/058

3rd Aug 2017

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

I refer to your request for information, received by email on 8th July 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 request and the response from the National Park Authority are provided below.

“The amount spent on clearing litter at the national park over the last three financial years: 2014-15, 2015-16, 2016-17. Any extra detail regarding what kind of litter was cleared, or any major projects, would be useful but not vital to the request.”

The Park Authority is not a litter authority and litter within the National Park is currently the responsibility of either the local authority or trunk roads authority to deal with. Therefore I have to advise you under S 10(4)(a) of the Regulations that this information is not held.

The Park Authority will undertake some litter clearance to assist landowners and local authorities. We consider that a unified litter strategy for the Park is required to tackle the litter issue properly, and we are working with Zero Waste Scotland, Keep Scotland Beautiful (KSB), and the four local litter authorities to work on a co-ordinated approach to dealing with the problem.

Keep Scotland Beautiful recently completed an audit and report on the local environmental quality (LEQ) standards of the four key areas within the National Park: Trossachs North; Trossachs West; West Loch Lomond; and East Loch Lomond. This report is available on our website at: <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/park-authority/publications/local-environmental-quality-audit-2015/>

You may also find it useful to look at our Your Park website for details of the background to the recent implementation of camping management zones in the Park, which have been introduced to deal with the adverse environmental impact of irresponsible use of the Park, including litter. This

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information can be found at: <http://www.thisisyourpark.org.uk/>

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
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