



EIR Ref: 2017/009

10<sup>th</sup> February 2017

## REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

I refer to your request for information, received by email on 24<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 request and the response from the National Park Authority are provided below.

**“I would appreciate being directed to informations (sic) on private properties personally owned within the park boundaries and what regulations and requirements the national parks may have for such properties including points about additions to existing buildings (houses/cottages), building new houses/cottages for letting or private use, access using park roads, road maintenance, uses of property such as B&B, wedding venue, etc.”**

The Park Authority is a Planning Authority and in this capacity we consider planning applications which include applications for work on existing buildings as well as applications to build new property within the National Park.

We have information about all aspects of the Planning process on our website at:

<http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/>

You can also view live planning applications at:

<http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/planning-applications/find-an-application/>

**Guidance documents or memo's addressing this, if available are also welcomed.”**

Advice leaflets can be found on our website at:

<http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/planning-applications/make-an-application/helpful-resources/>

Road access issues relative to planning applications are considered on a case by case basis. Road maintenance within the National Park is the responsibility of the four local authorities and Transport Scotland.

Yours sincerely

### LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

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### 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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Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority  
National Park Headquarters  
Carrochan  
Carrochan Road  
Balloch  
G83 8EG  
E-mail: [info@lochlomond-trossachs.org](mailto:info@lochlomond-trossachs.org)

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

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