



Ref: EIR 2017/048

4th July 2017

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

I refer to your request for information received by email on 7th June 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 requests and the response from the National Park Authority are provided below.

“Can you please provide in tabular or spreadsheet format the raw ranger reports collected between 1st March and 31st May 2017 inclusive, Please include all information collected by the rangers. If any information is to be redacted for the usual data protection measures to prevent disclosure of personal information please provide a list of column headers to identify which information is being withheld”

Ranger report data is attached in Appendix A. Please note that the dates of patrols have been recorded in reverse, for instance 03/01/2017 is 1st March 2017. Ranger names have been removed, in accordance with Regulation 11(2) of the EIRs and the second and sixth Data Protection Principles.

We have considered the public interest in respect of the withholding of this personal data and have determined that the public interest in withholding this specific information outweighs the public interest in its release into the public domain.

Additional fields were removed where no relevant information had been recorded. Given the size of the patrol record table it was considered more helpful to remove these columns. Accordingly I have to advise under S10(4)(a) of the EIRs that there is no information held in relation to the following fields:

- Specify other
- Is alcohol consumption presenting a problem
- Please note any alcohol issues
- Is anyone being abusive/aggressive

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- Please note any occurrences of abuse/aggression
- Will you be reporting anyone for any of the following
- Which emergency service(s) were called

Given the size of the patrol record table it was also considered more helpful to remove fields relating purely to the management of the spreadsheet such as automatically generated reference numbers. These fields contain information which are for office use only. This information is therefore withheld under R 10(4)(e) as the information is used for internal communications.

The public interest in the release of this information has been considered. It has been concluded that the public interest in the effective management of these records outweighs any public interest in the release of this information which would have no meaning or relevance outwith the office administrative purposes for which the fields were created.

“Please provide in tabular or spreadsheet format the details of all booking information excluding any personal details for Campsites and permit areas that are booked through the LLTNPA booking system, obviously those data belonging to third party commercial campsites should be omitted, but all other data for sites managed by the LLTNPA and third parties managing sites on behalf of LLTNPA, and Salloch and any sites leased by the LLTNPA from 3rd parties.”

The following information is attached:

- All Lochs – bookings made for permit areas located at lochsides across the National Park
- Inchcailloch – permit bookings for island nature reserve
- Loch Chon – campsite bookings
- Loch Lubnaig – campsite bookings

Although your request was received on 7th June 2017, data has been provided up to the end of June.

All personal data in relation to permit and campsite bookings have been removed accordance with Regulation 11(2) of the EIRs and the second and sixth Data Protection Principles.

We have considered the public interest in respect of the withholding of this personal data and have determined that the public interest in withholding this information outweighs any public interest in its release into the public domain.

Salloch is a campsite managed by Forestry Commission Scotland and the Park Authority is not involved in booking pitches on this site. Accordingly I have to advise under S10(4)(a) of the EIRs that there is no information held.

Yours sincerely

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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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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:

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