



Ref: EIR 2016/005

3rd March 2016

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

Thank you for your request for information, received by email on 4th February 2016 under the Environmental (Scotland) Regulations 2004. Your specific requests and the response from the National Park Authority are provided below.

I would suggest that Sustrans cannot have visited this site prior to works commencing, and that they have been very badly advised in that case by LLTNP regarding this being the way forward in relation to the upkeep of this pathway.

The issues that you have raised with us regarding the use of tarmac on Sustrans cycle track route 7 have been investigated under our formal complaints procedure, and a separate letter of response has been sent to you to explain in detail the reasons for the use of tarmac on this route.

I would like to know the names please of the persons and departments who recommended this action

The department that was involved in this project was the Visitor Experience team. The Recreation & Access Adviser, and the Estates Management Officer recommended the upgrade to this route. The use of sealed surfacing on paths is the recommended and most commonly used surface on national cycle network routes across Scotland.

Who approved the action

The Park Authority Estates Manager approved this work.

Whether they came to visit the site prior to approving the action

The Estates Manager did not visit the site prior to approving the work, however Park Authority Officers and Rangers frequently visit this site.

The estimated costs for this work

The Park Authority was advised that the estimated cost of the work, to be delivered by Stirling Council with funding provided by Sustrans would be approximately £89,000.

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 University 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 the Director of Corporate Services:

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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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