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Q.As part of your document “Investing in Camping Provision” from your website on 25th August 2016 (originally displayed at url thisisyourpark.org.uk/proposed-camping-provision/index.html#additional) Will you please provide a copy of your research?

A. A considerable amount of research was undertaken through meetings with stakeholders and residents within the National Park. Details of this engagement was released in previous requests for information which can be found in the ‘downloads’ section of the Your Park site at: <http://www.thisisyourpark.org.uk/>

Other research to inform our plans for camping management in the National Park included information and materials from Visit Scotland Insights Team, Visit Britain and Great Britain Tourism Statistics, the Caravan and Camping Club and the National Caravan Council.

Q.In the document you refer to the “Four main types of camping opportunities” Will you please give details of the other types of camping opportunities that were included or excluded in the decision making process when selecting this four if not already fully detailed in the research you are already providing?

A.Other forms of camping provision which do not form part of our camping management plans are as follows:

- Formal all season campsite
- Formal Motorhome/Campervan seasonal park
- Formal Motorhome/Campervan all season park
- Campsites with pitch electrical hook ups for tents
- Campsites with camping pods

Q. You camping proposal state that you are providing 300 low cost camping spaces. As these spaces are intended to replace the existing “free” camping spaces enjoyed by the UK public. Why is it that cost base of your camping provision when taken together with the booking fee and the hire of a fire pan is on par if not greater than the charges of many commercial camp sites within the Park?

A.The Park Authority currently has two managed campsites on the island of Inchcailloch, and at Loch Lubnaig. The cost of using these camp sites, which have toilet provision, is £5 per person per night.

Q.Can you confirm that booking a camping pitch includes parking for the vehicle(s) that accompany the campers?

A.Booking of a camping pitch on a site will include parking for a vehicle. However the booking of a permit within a permit area does not guarantee a parking space.

Q.How do you reconcile the fact camping charges LLTNPA are proposing are low cost when they appear otherwise?”

A.This is not a request for recorded information under the Act.