

FOI Ref: 2016/008

18<sup>th</sup> March 2016

### **REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002**

Thank you for your request for information under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, received by email on 23<sup>rd</sup> February 2016. Your specific requests and the relevant information held by the Park Authority are provided below.

# What expenses were claimed by your staff members in the 2014-2015 financial year? For this, I would like to know each of the expenses made, in terms of items/services and cost, and I would like to know the individuals who claimed them.

The table below shows a breakdown of expense claims for CEO/Directors and all other staff. Details of individual claims have not been provided as this is the personal information of individuals which is exempt from release under sections 38(1)(b) and 38(2) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002.

This exemption is an absolute exemption under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, which means we do not need to consider the public interest in the disclosure of this information, it is completely exempt from release.

For financial year 2014/15 expense claims made by Park Authority staff were as follows:

	Travel subsistence and other (£)
CEO and Directors	4,239
Staff	31,316
Total expense claims	35,555

The total expenses claimed by your staff at the end of each financial year from 2010 – 2014.

Financial Year	Expense claims (£)
2010/11	30,885
2011/12	30,010
2012/13	33,841
2013/14	21,231

# The salary of each of your staff members who earn over £50,000 per annum – with the title of their role noted alongside the amount they earn per annum.

The Park Authority CEO and Directors are the only staff employed by the Park Authority who earn

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an annual salary over £50,000, details of the relevant pay bands are as follows:

Staff Grade	Salary Band (£)
Chief Executive	72,429 - 89,045
Director of Conservation and Visitor Operations	49,977 – 58,146
Director of Estates and Commercial Development	49,977 – 58,146
Director Of Corporate Services	49,977 – 58,146

Yours sincerely

Information Officer

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#### **Review Procedure**

If you are dissatisfied with this decision, or the way in which the Authority has dealt with your request, you are entitled to require the Authority to review its decision. Please note that in order for a review to take place you are required to:

- Send your request for review in writing, setting out in full the reasons why you are requesting a review.
- Submit your review request 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 Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, whichever is the later.
- address your review request to the Director of Corporate Services:

Jaki Carnegie Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority National Park Headquarters Carrochan Carrochan Road Balloch G83 8EG E-mail: info@lochlomond-trossachs.org

The review 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 Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, at:

Scottish Information Commissioner Kinburn Castle **Doubledykes Road** St Andrews Fife **KY16 9DS** Tel: 01334 464610

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