

EIR 2019-008

14th October 2019

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

We refer to your requests for information, received in five emails on 26th September 2019. The information you have requested is environmental information, as defined in Regulation 2 of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs). The Park Authority has an obligation to deal with your request under the EIRs and an option to also deal with your request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA), unless the public interest lies in dealing with your request solely under the EIRs. We consider that the public interest in dealing with your request solely under the EIRs outweighs the public interest in also dealing with your request under FOISA, on the basis that the public interest is not served by duplicating consideration of your request under both regimes. We have therefore applied the exemption in section 39(2) of FOISA and dealt with your request under the EIRs alone.

The response from the National Park Authority is provided below.

Details in relation to Notices/Orders under the legislation you have referenced are recorded on our planning portal at: <u>http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/planning-applications/find-an-application/</u>

We can therefore advise under R6(1)(b) of the EIRs that this information is already publically available and easily accessible.

Should you require information in relation to specific notices or orders that are on the planning portal, please submit a request with the relevant details. We can also confirm that there are no outstanding invoices or money owed.

Information on our TPO's is published on our website at:

http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/planning-applications/make-an-application/treepreservation-orders-national-park/

The Park Authority continues to review its TPO's so the information provided here may change and will be updated as required as a result of review.

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If you have a particular query about a TPO, please complete a Tree Enquiry Form, which can be found on the website at: <u>https://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/planning/planning-applications/make-an-application/tree-preservation-orders-national-park/</u> and send it to us using the contact details at the top of the webpage.

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Yours sincerely

Governance & Legal Team Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority

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:

Governance & Legal Team Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority National Park Headquarters Carrochan Carrochan Road Balloch G83 8EG E-mail: <u>info@lochlomond-trossachs.org</u>

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

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