

Participation Requests Annual Report 2017-2018

Section 32 of the Community Empowerment (Scotland) Act 2015, requires us (Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park Authority) to provide the following information for the reporting year 1 April 2017 to 31 March 2018:

Number of participation requests received	None
Number of requests agreed to	None
Number of requests refused	None
Number of requests which resulted in changes to	None (We were an additional authority on a
a public service provided by or on behalf of the	participation request received by Argyll and Bute
Authority	Council and contributed fully to this)

Action taken by us to promote the use of participation requests:

Our website has a page on <u>community empowerment</u>. This page gives examples of the range of ways people/communities can get involved in the work we do. We also provide links to key websites/documents that will help community bodies understand the participation request process.

Action taken by us to support a community participation body in the making of a participation request:

On our website we encourage informal discussions with us. We give our contact details and offer informal advice. Also if people are unsure of what opportunities there are or how these new requirements work, we highlight that support is also available from the <u>Community Partnership</u>. We have updated our service level agreement with the Community Partnership to include this advice/signposting.

If you have any questions regarding this report please email <u>communityempowerment@lochlomond-</u> <u>trossachs.org</u> or phone 01389 722600 and ask to speak to the Communities Team.