



FOI Ref: 2020/009

15th May 2020

REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 22nd April 2020. Your specific requests and the Park Authority's response are provided below.

"Please can I kindly request the following information under freedom of information act.

- 1. "Does the organisation outsource and use 3rd party suppliers under any of the following 3 categories?
-IT Hardware/Software.
-IT Support.
-IT Services and communication."**

The Park Authority does not outsource and use third party suppliers under any of the above categories, other than having a support contract for use of Skype. Accordingly, we have to advise you under section 17(1)(b) of the Act, that this information is not held.

- 2. "If so who are the suppliers/resellers used and what has the spend been with them in the last 6 months?"**

The Park Authority has a support contract for use of Skype, the supplier is Exactive Ltd and the spend for this has been £1,800 including VAT in the last 6 months.

- 3. "Who are the contacts/procurement in the organisation to speak with in order to get added as an IT supplier to the organisation?"**

For the majority of IT purchases we utilise Government contracts for the acquisition of IT supplies. There are many forms of Government contracts but the majority of IT hardware/software is sourced from either Crown Commercial Services (CCS) contracts or Scottish Government (SG) contracts. Links to these contracts are:

CCS: <https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/crown-commercial-service>

SG: <https://www.gov.scot/publications/frameworks-and-contracts>

Very rarely do we issue tenders for IT hardware and software and if required we advertise these via a public contracts portal website www.publiccontractsscotland.gov.uk.

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We would recommend registration with this site should you be interested in being considered for any future contracts or tenders advertised by the Park Authority.

4. “Who are the IT managers in the organisation in place and their contact details?”

IT matters for the Park Authority are managed by the ICT Systems Manager, email: info@lochlomond-trossachs.org, however we have to advise that as a non-departmental public body we do not process unsolicited requests from IT suppliers and recommend use of the websites listed above.

Yours sincerely

Governance and 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:

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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
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