



EIR Ref: 2021-006

29th April 2021

REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 9th April 2021. The information you have requested is environmental information, as defined in Regulation 2 of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs). We have therefore applied the exemption in section 39(2) of FOISA and dealt with your request under the EIRs alone.

Your specific requests and the response from the National Park Authority are provided below.

“Would you please provide a list of all the Natura 2000 sites that sit within, or partially within, the local authority’s boundary?”

The list of Natura 2000 sites in the National Park area is maintained and published by Nature Scot.

The term ‘European site’ is now used to refer to what are also known as ‘Natura’ sites. Further information can be found on the NatureScot website for such sites in Scotland:

<https://www.nature.scot/professional-advice/protected-areas-and-species/protected-areas/international-designations/european-sites>

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

“As a result of Natural England, NRW’s or NatureScot’s updated planning advice on excess nutrients, would you please tell me how many planning applications are currently stuck or frozen in the national park’s planning system?”

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We believe that you are referring to the necessity of housebuilders to produce a Construction Method Statement, which has in place methods of preventing contamination of water courses.

In Scotland developers adhere to what is known as General Binding Rules which are a Code of Good Practice. Further information can be found on the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) website at: <https://www.sepa.org.uk/regulations/water/diffuse-pollution/>

There are no planning applications currently stuck or frozen in the National Park Authority's planning system. Accordingly we have to advise under Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not held.

“Would you please tell me how many homes this equates to?”

This equates to no homes. Accordingly we have to advise under Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs that there is no information held.

Yours sincerely

**Governance and Legal Team
Loch Lomond and 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.

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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

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