

Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority Carrochan Carrochan Road Balloch G83 8EG

11<sup>th</sup> August

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

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 13<sup>th</sup> July 2021. Your specific requests and the National Park Authority's response are provided below.

# "Can you tell me what part the national park took in the building of the current Bracklinn Bridge? "

The National Park Authority provided project management support to the Callander Community Development trust for the building of the current Bracklinn Bridge.

## "Who was responsible for its maintenance and who originally funded it."

For the first twelve months following the installation of the bridge, it was maintained by the contractor who built the bridge, Strong Bridges Limited. The National Park Authority then assumed maintenance responsibilities.

The original funding for the bridge came from the National Park Authority, Scottish Natural Heritage (now NatureScot) and from LEADER funding.

LEADER is a European funding programme, which supports rural community and business projects. In Scotland it is delivered as part of the Scottish Rural Development Programme (SRDP) in partnership with Local Action Groups (LAGs).

## "Who is funding and responsible for the new bridge once it's up?"

The National Park Authority is committed to a replacement bridge in discussion with partners. Plans are currently at the feasibility stage, to assess the project priorities and risks. Decisions on funding and other aspects will be taken in later stages but we currently expect that The National Park Authority will be a significant contributor to a replacement bridge.

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- 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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