



Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority
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8th September 2021

EIR Ref: 2021/012

REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 12th August 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 Park Authority's response are provided below.

“Stirling Council has prepared a number of bridge crossing feasibility studies relating to the provision of a new bridge over the River Teith in Callander. The bridge feasibility work is also referred to on Page 18 of the Action Program to the Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Local Development Plan as published in November 2019. I would greatly appreciate it if copies of the bridge crossing feasibility studies referred to could be forwarded to me”

Please find the relevant reports attached. Some personal data has been redacted, specifically the personal details, names, emails and telephone numbers of external third parties, This information has been withheld under Regulation 11(2) of the EIR's.

Some additional redactions have been made under Regulation 10(5)(f) of the EIRs, as the disclosure of this information would, or would be likely to, prejudice substantially the interests of the person who provided the information, where that person does not supply it in circumstances such that it could, apart from these Regulations be made available, and has not consented to its disclosure.

These exceptions have been applied to the documents by Stirling Council, who advised that they recently received a request for the same information. The versions of the documents

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provided are those which are already in the public domain, having been released in response to a prior information request.

The Council has advised that the documents are feasibility studies. Neither document constitutes a final position on the issue, and there is no formal approval from any Council Committee or Governance Group.

Yours sincerely

Information Management 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.

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:

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