



EIR Ref:2021/009

4<sup>th</sup> June 2021

## **REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004**

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 7<sup>th</sup> May 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.

**“I see you have 6 camping zones now for sale in the Loch Ard camping zone. This size of area and geography has a maximum 3 camping zones. Please furnish me with your locations of the 6 camping sites and emergency access.**

There is one camping management zone which covers the area around Loch Ard, stretching up to Loch Chon and Loch Arklet. The extent of this management zone known as Trossachs West, is detailed in Page 25-29 of the byelaw booklet <http://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/02/Camping-Management-Byelaws-2017.pdf>

People may camp responsibly anywhere outside of the purple area in accordance with the Scottish Outdoor Access Code: <https://www.outdooraccess-scotland.scot/>  
From March to September, people camping inside the purple area can only do so at a camping permit area or campsite.

Within this Camping Management Zone, there is one camping permit area and one campsite where people can book and stay on. Details are as follows:

- Camping Permit Area on Loch Ard (south western corner near Couligarten)  
maximum of six permits permitted (i.e. six tents) per night

### **LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY**

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- Loch Chon Campsite (eastern shore) – 26 pitches

Using the forestry trails that are predominant in the area, people are able to access the southern shore of Loch Ard and the western shore of Loch Chon on foot, and camp outside of the area covered by the Camping Management Byelaws.

When people book in to a campsite and camping permit area they are provided with information on how to access the area and where they can park their cars so they are as prepared as possible. Grid references are provided on bookings to help people, and if required emergency services, locate the area. Should people require the emergency services they should contact them by calling 999.

**“can you provide me information on your planned camping zones for the next 5 years.”**

There are no other planned camping areas at this time within this area. Accordingly we have to advise under Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not 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:

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