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

23<sup>rd</sup> September 2021

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

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2021. Your specific requests and the Park Authority's response are provided below.

# "Does the company named Loch Lomond Leisure have, in terms of the Loch Lomond Bye-laws 2013, the prior written Permission of the National Park to conduct their business on the loch?"

There are two companies operating in the Loch Lomond area incorporating the words "Loch Lomond Leisure" in their names. For the avoidance of doubt, for the purpose of this response we are referring to the company Loch Lomond Leisure (Scotland) Ltd. Company number SC219990, having its registered office at Suite One, 196 Rose Street, Edinburgh, EH2 4AT.

The relevant clause from the byelaws is:

### 3.13 GENERAL BYELAWS RELATING TO THE LOCH

3.13 (1) Trade or Business

"No person shall conduct any activity by way of trade or business with, or in expectation of, personal reward from members of the public, on the Loch (except for the interior of the Islands), without the prior written permission of the Authority. In determining whether to grant permission to the proposed activity under this Byelaw, the Authority shall act reasonably and shall consider the nature of the proposed activity, including the impact that the proposed activity may have on the amenity, safety and/or environmental quality of the Loch."

The permission to trade application process was formalised in 2015. Prior to the implementation of this process, there were a number of longer-term businesses operating on

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t: 01389 722600 f: 01389 722633 e: info@lochlomond-trossachs.org w: <u>lochlomond-trossachs.org</u> Printed on paper sourced from certified sustainable forests. the Loch, including Loch Lomond Leisure, that were not required to apply retrospectively for permission to trade. Loch Lomond Leisure has been operating on the Loch since 2001 and therefore was not required to apply for permission to trade.

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:

Information Manager Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority National Park Headquarters Carrochan Carrochan Road Balloch G83 8EG E-mail: info@lochlomond-trossachs.org

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 Kinburn Castle Doubledykes Road St Andrews Fife KY16 9DS Tel: 01334 464610 Website: www.itspublicknowledge.info E-mail: <u>enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info</u>

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