

Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority
Carrochan
Carrochan Road
Balloch

EIR Ref: EIR 2022-002

18<sup>th</sup> February 2022

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

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2022. 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.

'I am writing to request under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 and/or the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 to request copies of all Loch Lomond and Trossachs National Park Authority (LLTNPA) communications since November 2020 and the current date which make reference to the wallaby population on Inchconnachan island.

This disclosure should include both internal and external communications, and should include, but not be limited to letters, emails, notes, transcripts of meetings and telephone calls, and memos.

There is one email held which includes a reference to the wallaby population, see email extract below. There are no other internal or external communications held which refer to the wallaby population on Inchconnachan Island. Accordingly we have to advise under Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs that this information is not held.

Some personal data has been redacted from the email, specifically the, names, and email address of external third parties. This information has been withheld under Regulation 11(2) of the EIR's. Because this information constitutes the personal data of third parties, as a data controller, we must process it in accordance with data protection law. This legal duty is recognised in Regulation 11(2), read together with Regulation 11(3a)(a), which provides that information which is third party personal data and in respect of which disclosure would be likely to breach one or more of the Data Protection Principles, is absolutely exempt from the duty to make it available under Regulation 5(1).

From: XXXXXXX <XXXXXXX @nature.scot>

**Sent:** 10 June 2021 14:13

To: XXXXXXX

Cc: Fiona Stewart; XXXXXXX

Subject: Inchconnachan Island - RIAA

Good afternoon XXX CC Fiona XXX

Following initial discussions with our woodland advisor we can provide the following advice with detail on distinguishing between mitigation and compensation in Natura casework.

### Background

Inchconnachan Island is part of the Inchconnachan and Inchtavannach Islands SSSI and Loch Lomond Woods SAC.

The SSSI is in Unfavourable condition due to:

• Overgrazing by deer and wallabies

It may be helpful to note that the reference made in the above email to the SSSI condition relates to publicly available information on <u>NatureScot SiteLink website</u>, in particular within the Site Management Statement.

The following documents, which are publically available on the Park Authority's planning portal using the planning reference number 2021/0452/DET also include references to the wallaby population.

Report A – Design and Access Statement

Report C – Environment and Ecology

Report C1 – Extended Phase 1 Habitat Survey

Report E - EIA Screening

Report F – Report to inform Appropriate Assessment

Report G – Island Management Plan

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

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2002, whichever is the later.

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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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