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REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 11th May 2023, and subsequent clarification of 23rd May 2023. Your specific requests and the National Park Authority's response are provided below.

'Under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002, I would like to request the following information within twenty working days, in a digital format (e.g. email or .pdf):

1. How many people are directly employed by Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority?

The current headcount of staff employed by the National Park Authority is 190.

a. Divided by contract type (temporary, permanent, etc)?

The number of staff employed by the National Park Authority by contract type is as follows:

Number of staff	Contract type
161	Permanent
7	Fixed term
22	Seasonal

b. Divided by pay band?

The number of staff employed by the National Park Authority by pay band is as follows:

Pay Band	Number of staff
A	12
A1	38
B	27
B1	16
C	19

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C1	7
D	40
E	23
F	1
G	4
CEO	1
Modern apprentices	2

2. “How many contracts has Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority overseen with private contractors in the previous 12 months?” (Clarified to contracts of a value of 10K or more)

- a. Divided by project?
- b. Divided by duration?

The National Park Authority has overseen 72 contracts with a value of 10k or over with private contractors in financial year 22/23. The length of these contracts varies from being ‘one off’, two – twelve months in duration, and contracts which last more than 12 months. Details of each project and its duration are set out in the attached Appendix A. This spend includes grants and contributions given to third parties.

3. How much has Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority spent on these contracts in the previous 12 months? (Clarified to contracts of a value of 10k or more)

- a. Divided by project?

Details of the spend on the 72 contracts overseen by the National Park Authority in financial year 22/23, divided by project, is shown in Appendix A. This spend includes grants and contributions given to third parties.

4. How much have other organisations, including the private sector, contributed to the costs of these contracts in the previous 12 months?

- a. Divided by project?

Details of contributions from other organisations are shown in Appendix A. Not all funding contributions have been used on project expenditure.

5. How many individuals have been contracted through these private contracts in the previous 12 months, to include subcontractors? (Eg. If one contract requires 12 people to work on it, that would be 12 individuals)

- a. Divided by equivalent Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority pay band? ‘

The National Park Authority does not hold any information about the number of individuals who may have been contracted or subcontracted to deliver contracts for the National Park Authority, and we do not hold any information about the pay bands for external third-party contractor staff. The National Park Authority does include a standard clause in all contracts that all contractors must be paid at least the Scottish Living Wage.

On-site health and safety measures and other measures to manage on-site workers are the responsibility of the contractor. When a contractor is awarded a contract, they are responsible for making decisions on the number of staff required to deliver the work, we do not hold records of the number of external workers required to fulfil the terms of a contract. Accordingly, we have to advise you under section 17(1)(b) of the Act, that this information is not held.

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:

Scottish Information Commissioner
Kinburn Castle
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