

LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY

PUBLIC SERVICES REFORM (SCOTLAND) ACT 2010

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

1.0 Introduction

Sections 31 and 32 of the Public Services Reform (Scotland) Act 2010 imposes new duties on the Scottish Government and listed public bodies to publish information on the following types of expenditure as soon as reasonably practicable after each year end:

- Public relations
- Overseas Travel
- Hospitality and entertainment
- External consultancy
- Individual payments greater than £25,000

These regulations came into effect on 1 October 2010. Below are the results for Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority (NPA) for the full year period to 31 March 2023.

2.0 Public relations

2.1 Definition

2.1.1 The statement of expenditure on public relations includes the total amount of expenditure incurred on all external communications, including the cost of in-house and contracted staff and consultants. Expenditure on public relations includes marketing, PR campaigns, media relations, marketing research and evaluation, branding and design, promotional events, external events, conferences and exhibitions, corporate communications, sponsorship, publications and printing, digital communications, and advertising and media planning.

2.2 Spend in year

2.2.1 In the 12 month period ended 31 March 2023, the NPA incurred a total of £350,218.87

3.0 Overseas travel

3.1 Definition

3.1.1 The statement of expenditure incurred on overseas travel includes travel to, as well as from, the United Kingdom; and also includes the cost of hotels, conference fees, the cost of travel and subsistence during the overseas visit and any other related expenditure.

3.2 Spend in year

3.2.1 In the 12 month period ended 31 March 2023, the NPA incurred a total of £1,252.68

4.0 Hospitality and entertainment

4.1 Definition

4.1.1 Hospitality and entertainment includes any gifts, meals, parties, receptions, tickets for or invitations to public, sporting, cultural or other events or other similar benefits accorded by a public body to its own members or employees or third parties for whatever reason.

4.2 Spend in year

4.2.1 In the 12 month period ended 31 March 2023, the NPA incurred a total of £3,702.65

5.0 External consultancy

5.1 Definition

5.1.1 External consultancy expenditure includes a wide range of professional services such as management consultancy, IT consultancy, financial consultancy, construction or infrastructure related consultancy, research and evaluation and policy development (including feasibility studies).

5.1.2 External consultancy does not include outsourcing or buying in technical or specialist services such as legal advice and representation or recruitment services.

5.2 Spend in year

5.2.1 In the 12 month period ended 31 March 2023, the NPA incurred a total of £634,069.80

Payments over £25,000

Section 31(3) provides that each public body must publish a statement specifying the amount, date, payee and subject-matter of any payment made during the financial year which has a value in excess of £25,000 (inclusive of VAT).

By applying the definition the amounts paid in the year ended 31 March 2023 is as follows:

Date	Account Name	Amount	Description
13/04/2022	Scottish Police Authority	58,004.00	Contribution to SLA Agreement
13/04/2022	McLaren Plant Ltd	25,714.80	New Footbridge
20/04/2022	Aberdeen Marine Services	212,192.64	Remedial Works to Piers and Pontoons
20/04/2022	North SV Ltd	72,865.20	Traffic and Pedestrian Monitoring Counters
20/04/2022	Idox Software Limited	39,224.75	Software Licencing
20/04/2022	ESRI (UK) Ltd	35,253.60	Software Licencing
20/04/2022	Computacenter (UK) Ltd	29,587.49	Wireless Conference System
20/04/2022	Clyde Outboard Services	26,890.75	Supply and Fit Outboard Engines
20/04/2022	Ryden	25,563.97	Consultancy - Building Surveying
05/05/2022	West Dunbartonshire Council Rates	83,776.80	Non Domestic Rates
05/05/2022	Stirling Council	31,389.79	Non Domestic Rates
05/05/2022	Forth Rivers Trust	31,101.63	Callander Landscape Partnership Grant
30/06/2022	Border Signs & Graphics Ltd	34,800.00	Signage
14/07/2022	LochLomond & Trossachs Countryside Trust	33,000.00	Core Funding Contribution
29/07/2022	Evans Halshaw	80,718.80	Purchase of New Vehicles
31/08/2022	Aberdeen Marine Services	140,982.00	Remedial Works to Piers and Pontoons
13/10/2022	Glenfalloch Estate	35,000.00	Peatland Restoration Grant
13/10/2022	Viridis Building Services Ltd	26,520.00	Net Zero Consultancy Services
27/10/2022	Steamship Sir Walter Scott Trust	31,500.00	Rural Tourism Infrastructure Grant
27/10/2022	Glenfalloch Estate	30,792.82	Peatland Restoration Grant
10/11/2022	A.C.T Heritage	87,199.83	Upland Footpath Repairs
15/12/2022	Viridis Building Services Ltd	44,520.00	Net Zero Consultancy Services
15/12/2022	Land Use Consultants	35,526.00	Consultancy Services for Redevelopment of Tarbet Picnic Site
15/12/2022	A.C.T Heritage	29,706.95	Upland Footpath Repairs
15/12/2022	Cake Industries Ltd	28,020.60	New Footbridge
21/12/2022	Anderson Strathern LLP	47,208.90	Legal Advice
21/12/2022	Palladium International Ltd	26,197.77	Consultancy Services - Feasibility Study for Nature Vapital Opportunities
27/01/2023	Cake Industries Ltd	65,165.82	New Footbridge
27/01/2023	Woodland Trust	45,333.60	Peatland Restoration Grant

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27/01/2023	A.C.T Heritage	36,599.08	Upland Footpath Repairs
27/01/2023	Perth & Kinross Council	25,000.00	Contribution to Civ Tech
09/02/2023	Cake Industries Ltd	63,416.48	New Footbridge
09/02/2023	Steamship Sir Walter Scott Trust	56,783.77	Rural Tourism Infastructure Grant
09/02/2023	Scottish Environmental Protection Agency	27,797.90	ICT Network Equipment Maintenance
23/02/2023	RSPB	36,745.00	Nature Restoration Fund Grant
06/03/2023	Scottish Police Authority	48,400.00	Contribution to National Parks Police Officer
06/03/2023	Idox Software Limited	43,186.45	Software Licencing
06/03/2023	Steamship Sir Walter Scott Trust	35,910.77	Rural Tourism Infastructure Grant
06/03/2023	Viridis Building Services Ltd	31,752.00	Net Zero Consultancy Services
09/03/2023	Computacenter (UK) Ltd	109,290.18	Wireless Conference System
09/03/2023	Pelham Michael Olive	92,926.34	Peatland Restoration Grant
09/03/2023	A.C.T Heritage	39,589.75	Upland Footpath Repairs
09/03/2023	Forth Rivers Trust	26,333.24	Contribution to Rivers Projects
17/03/2023	Insight Direct Uk Ltd	48,961.30	Software Licencing
17/03/2023	Gilbert Bannerman	41,326.40	Nature Restoration Fund Grant
17/03/2023	Glenfalloch Estate	40,000.00	Nature Restoration Fund Grant
24/03/2023	Stirling Council	43,060.67	Board Election Costs
24/03/2023	Procast Energy Services Ltd	37,875.08	Installtion of Slar PV and Batteries
29/03/2023	Forestry and Land Scotland	62,203.10	Contribution to Great Trossachs Forest Removal of invasive species
29/03/2023	Cake Industries Ltd	53,886.28	New Footbridge
29/03/2023	A.C.T Heritage	26,300.82	Upland Footpath Repairs
29/03/2023	Ecosulis Limited	25,152.60	Consultancy Services - Various Projects
31/03/2023	The Ultimate Boat Company Limited	186,018.82	Purchase of New Patrol Boat
31/03/2023	Landscape Finance Lab	33,000.00	Consultancy Services for Landscape Scorecard