

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

FOI Ref: 2024-036 Date: 27 August 2024

Dear

REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 29 July 2024. Your specific requests and the Park Authority's response are provided below.

Your Request

I would like to request, under Freedom of Information, a list of direct contact details of members of the National Park Authority Board. For context, I believe this is necessary information to be released in the public interest, in order to allow members of the public to address board members individually in advance of decisions being made.

Our Response

The Park Authority holds the information you have requested. After careful consideration, we must inform you that the information is exempt from disclosure under Section 38(1)(b) of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002. The requested information constitutes personal data and, as the National Park Authority's Board Members have not consented to their personal data being processed in this way (i.e. they have not consented to their direct contact details being shared with members of the public), we believe that disclosure would contravene the principles of the UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018. This exemption is not subject to the public interest test.

Please note, however, that a process for contacting our Board Members is clearly set out on our website, at the following link:

https://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/park-authority/our-board-committees/

Further Information

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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. If you are unhappy with the way that we have handled your request, you have the right to ask us to review our decision to respond in this way. You also have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioner. More information about our review process is provided in the attached sheet.

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 LOCH LOMOND & THE TROSSACHS NATIONAL PARK AUTHORITY 2

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- 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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