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

Ref: FOI-2024-052 / EIR-2025-016

21 October 2024

# **REQUEST UNDER ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) REGULATIONS 2004**

Thank you for your request for access to information, which we received by email on 03 October 2024. Please be advised that your request falls under the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs) as the requested information relates to environmental matters. Section 39 of the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 (FOISA) states that information that is environmental information is exempt from FOISA and must instead be processed under the EIRs.

## Your Request

You have requested:

- 1. Full Video recording of planning hearing and determination by the National Park Board on 16 September in Lomond Parish Church. The proposal was livestreamed on the day by a third-party audio-visual company.
- 2. All submissions, communication and documents that have been removed from the Parks Planning Portal following the decision made on 16 September to refuse 2022/0157/PPP. The applicant has a 12-week time period to lodge an appeal and are currently considering their options. None of the documents should have been removed whilst we are within the appeal time period. Documents submitted by the applicant, external and internal consultation responses, communications from Planning Authority to applicant and all representations submitted by the public are required please.

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### Our Response

- In relation to your request for a recording of the Board Meeting which took place on 16 September 2024, we must inform you that the Authority does not hold the requested information. The meeting was relocated to a larger venue to accommodate additional public attendance, and we employed a third-party audio-visual company solely to broadcast the meeting live over the internet. Consequently, in line with Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs, we inform you that we do not possess a recording of the meeting.
- 2. Regarding your request for the documents and reports related to planning application 2022/0157/PPP, please be advised that we are not compelled to comply with your request under the EIRS, as the information is already publicly available. Regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIRs provides that, where information is already accessible to the public, the Authority is not required to provide it under the EIRS. You can access the information by searching (using the application reference number) at the following link:

https://eplanning.lochlomond-trossachs.org/OnlinePlanning/

## **Right to Review**

If you are unhappy with this response, you have the right to request and internal review of our decision. More information on our review process and your right to appeal to the Scottish Information Commissioner, is provided in the attached sheet.

Yours sincerely

Information Management Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority

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#### **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: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

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