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Review of EIR-2025-017

I write in response to your request that we re-consider part (3) of our response to your previous request (EIR-2025-017), which was issued to you on the 01 July 2025.

Your Request

In your response to my question " Which Scottish Minister or Ministers authorised the transfer along with any conditions they attached" you refer me back to EIR 2025-007 who authorised the transfer of land at the Pierhead from Scottish Enterprise to the Pierhead you quote from your response to EIR 2025-007:

"As presented to our Board on 23 June 2003, this land transfer was included in Schedule 1 of the Property Transfer Scheme as part of establishing the National Park Authority. The attached extract, registered in the Books of Council and Session on 09 April 2004, is publicly available via the Registers of Scotland; however, we have attached it for your convenience".

I really appreciated you sending me that extract it April but it shows land at the Pierhead which was transferred from WDC and NOT Scottish Enterprise to the LLTNPA. Although the map is not entirely clear and could be interpreted as including both the land which was owned by the LLTNPA BEFORE the 14th April and that transferred by Scottish Enterprise on that date, I assume it only refers to the smaller area of land in the possession of the LLTNPA prior to 14th April.

That being the case, my question 3) about Which Scottish Minister or Ministers authorised the recent transfer (not the one back in 2003) was not answered. I would be grateful therefore if you could review my request and check if you hold ANY information about which Scottish Ministers or Ministers authorised the recent transfer.

Our Response

Having reviewed your request, I must advise you, under Regulation 10(4)(a) of the EIRs, that the requested information is not held by the National Park Authority.

From the National Park Authority's perspective, the legal authority for the recently completed transfer was provided by the Property Transfer Scheme that was registered in the Books of the Lords of Council and Session on 09 April 2004.

Item 4.2 of the paper accessible at the below link (which was presented to our Board in November 2024) provides some further historical context around this transfer:

<https://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/11/Agenda-Item-8-Strategic-Estates-Paper-FINAL.pdf>

The reason that West Dunbartonshire Council (WDC) is referenced on the Property Transfer Scheme (and not Scottish Enterprise), is that it was originally anticipated that Scottish Enterprise would have transferred the land to WDC prior to the Property Transfer Scheme taking effect. However, Scottish Enterprise delayed transferring the land to WDC and when the Property Transfer Scheme provided authority for the transfer of the land to the National Park Authority, a pragmatic decision was made to transfer the land directly from Scottish Enterprise to the National Park Authority. After years of delay, the transfer was finally completed in 2025.

You may wish to consider asking Scottish Enterprise if they hold any other relevant information regarding their authority for the transfer. Contact details for Scottish Enterprise's FOI team can be found at the following link:

<https://www.scottish-enterprise.com/our-organisation/accessing-our-information/freedom-of-information>

Yours sincerely

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Review Procedure

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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