



Loch Lomond & The Trossachs National Park Authority
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Ref: EIR 2026-004
27 March 2026

Dear XXX

REQUEST UNDER FREEDOM OF INFORMATION (SCOTLAND) ACT 2002

We refer to your request for information, received by email on 27 February 2026. The information you have requested is environmental information, as defined in Regulation 2 of the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs). We have therefore applied the exemption in section 39(2) of FOISA and dealt with your request under the EIRs alone.

Your Request

1. *Has your planning authority started the process of developing a nature network, and at what stage of development is this work?*
2. *By what date do you expect to have fully mapped a nature network within your planning authority?*

Our Response

1. The information you have requested is publicly available in our recently submitted *Local Development Plan (LDP) Evidence Report*. This report outlines our planned approach for the development of the National Park Nature Network.

Under regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIRs, we are not required to provide information that is already publicly available and easily accessible in response to a request. However, you can access the full report here (see page 41 in particular):

<https://www.dpea.scotland.gov.uk/Document.aspx?id=1147703>

2. The Nature Network is being developed as part of the spatial strategy for our new Local Development Plan. The current timescales for the new LDP are detailed in our recently published '*Development Plan Scheme – 2026*'.

Again, under regulation 6(1)(b) of the EIRs, we are not required to provide information

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that is already publicly available and easily accessible in response to a request. However, you will find the published document at the following web-link:

<https://www.lochlomond-trossachs.org/wp-content/uploads/2026/01/National-Park-Development-Plan-Scheme-Jan-2026.pdf>.

For your information, the following existing National Park strategies guide our work to improve ecological connectivity across the National Park:

- [National Park Partnership Plan](#)
- [Future Nature Route Map](#)
- [Trees and Woodland Strategy](#)
- [Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park Peatland Action Delivery Programme 2024 - 2030](#)
- [Strathard Framework](#)

Review Rights

If you are not satisfied with our response, you can ask us to review the way we have handled your request. Information on our review process is provided on the attached sheet, along with contact details for the Scottish Information Commissioner.

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:

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