

25 August 2023



Tēnā koe 

Thank you for your Official Information Act (OIA) request to the Department of Conservation, received on 2 August 2023, in which you asked:

*“Can you please provide a copy of the permit that allows the three huts at the back of loch katrine and the associated toilet facilities?
Can you also please provide any other supporting documents relating to pricing, as well as any amendments that have occurred to the original permit?”*

The huts and associated toilet facilities at Loch Katrine are authorised under Concession Number: CA-251-ACC.

I have decided to release the relevant parts of the documents listed below, subject to information being withheld under the following sections of the OIA, as applicable:

- personal contact details of officials, under section 9(2)(a) – to protect the privacy of natural persons, including deceased people,
- commercially sensitive information, under section 9(2)(b)(ii) – to protect the commercial position of the person who supplied the information, or who is the subject of the information,
- commercially sensitive information, under section 9(2)(i) – to enable a Minister of the Crown or any department or organisation holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.

Item	Date	Document description	Decision
1	22 March 2004	Concession Document: CA-251-ACC	Released in part, Sec 9(2)(a), Sec 9(2)(i)
2	08 June 2015	Variation of Concession Document: CA-251-ACC	Released in part, Sec 9(2)(a)
3	18 May 2015	Concession Variation Report to Decision Maker	Released in part, Sec 9(2)(a), Sec 9(2)(b)(ii)
4	19 March 2015	Comparison of Hut Prices from DOC Web	Released in full



In making my decision, I have considered the public interest considerations in section 9(1) of the OIA and determined there are no public interests that outweigh the grounds for withholding.

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review of my decision by writing to an Ombudsman as provided by section 28(3) of the OIA.

Please note that this letter (with your personal details removed) and attached documents may be published on the Department's website.



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