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06/07/2010

Dear Denis,

Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park Authority, Board Membership

A number of Park Authority representatives, including myself, Nicola, Aeired and the Depute Convener have tried to contact you on several occasions over the last few months regarding Park Authority business. Having not heard from you, despite leaving several messages, I feel compelled to write to highlight our concern over your lack of contact or engagement on any matters concerning the National Park Authority.

In particular it has been noted that you have been unable to attend any National Park Authority meetings during 2010 and we have received no communication from you, that I am aware of, during this period. While I appreciate that you have many challenging priorities to manage, as we all do, your absence over such a prolonged period makes it difficult for me to appreciate the role you are playing on our behalf at the moment.

As a public authority we have duty to demonstrate best value in all our functions including remuneration of our staff and board members. I am at present unable to confirm you are delivering any duties in return for the monthly fee paid to you as an appointed Board Member of the Park Authority. As Accountable Officer, I have an obligation to raise such a concern with the Minister with reference to the National Parks Act as outlined below:-

National Parks (Scotland) Act 2000, Schedule 1, Paragraph 9

'The Scottish Ministers may remove a member (other than an elected member) from office if they are satisfied that (b) the member (ii) has been absent from meetings of the National Park authority for a period longer than three consecutive months without the permission of the authority'

Please can you advise me by the end of July if our assessment of this situation is inaccurate and provide me with information on any Park Authority duties you have carried out recently.

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Should we not hear from you by this date, I will arrange for payment of your monthly fees to cease as of 1st of August 2010 and will notify Scottish Government accordingly.

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