17 August 2023

Request under The Freedom Of Information (Scotland) Act 2002

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request dated 03 August 2023, in which you requested the following:

To ask how much money, if anything, your organisation has provided to the following organisations in each year since 2018/19.

Blue Marine Foundation
Community of Arran Seabed Trust
Fidra
Marine Concern
Marine Conservation Society
National Trust for Scotland
Open Seas
Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB) Scotland
Royal Yachting Association
Scottish Seabird Centre
Scottish Environment Link
Seal Scotland
Sustainable Inshore Fisheries Trust
Whale and Dolphin Conservation
WWF Scotland

We have considered your requests, and can respond as follows:

Most of the organisations identified have received no money from VisitScotland in the period specified. For those organisations where we have provided funding within the period specified, I have set these out in the table below.

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*Money from VisitScotland’s events directorate, EventScotland
Grand funding support for COVID-19 was also provided to the following:

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We hope this information is helpful to you. If, however, you are not satisfied with our response or the manner in which we have dealt with your application, you may in the first instance contact our Chief Executive, Malcolm Roughead, whose contact details are set out below:

Mr Malcolm Roughead  
Chief Executive  
VisitScotland  
Ocean Point One  
94 Ocean Drive  
Edinburgh, EH6 6JH  
Telephone: 0131 472 2201  
Fax: 0131 472 2223  
E-mail: malcolm.roughead@visitscotland.com

If you wish to request a review of your application under either the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 or the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004, your request should be submitted to us in writing, or another permanent format (for example e-mail or voice recording), and be received by us within 40 days of the date of this letter. Any request for a review should also set out, in as much detail as possible, the reasons why you are not satisfied with our response or the manner in which we have dealt with your application.

If you are still not satisfied with our handling of your application after we have responded to your request for a review, you have a right to apply to the Scottish Information Commissioner for a decision on whether we have dealt with your request in accordance with the Act.

The Scottish Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

Scottish Information Commissioner  
Kinburn Castle  
Doubledykes Road  
St Andrews, Fife  
KY16 9DS  
Telephone: 01334 464610  
Fax: 01334 464611  
E-mail: enquiries@itspublicknowledge.info

You also have the right to appeal to the Court of Session in Scotland on a point of law concerning our response.

Yours sincerely,