

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION & ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION REGULATIONS: RECENTLY RELEASED INFORMATION

The latest disclosures made by Historic Environment Scotland under the Freedom of Information (Scotland) Act 2002 & the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004.

HES FOI Disclosure Logs 2022		
Date	Summary	Contact
Jan-22	For the periods 2018-19,2019-20, 2020-21 the total number of cases and cost of losses in each year, an itemisation of each loss and the itemisation and total number and value of special payments in each year.	michael.easson@hes.scot
Jan-22	Are all historic buildings on Lauriston Castle Estate listed, and if not, why not?	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Jan-22	The risk assessment carried out and details of the number and severity of any rockfalls on the Low Road in Holyrood Park since these closures were put in place	Cd-foi-requests@hes.scot
Jan-22	Communications between Lauriston Castle Trustees, CEC (<i>City of Edinburgh Council?</i>) and HES	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Feb-22	Value of grants and loans made to a specific list of charities and third sector organisations provided in the request from 2018-2021.	michael.easson@hes.scot
Feb-22	Repairs made to Barochan Cross between 1978 and 1992	cathy.batt@hes.scot
Feb-22	List of currently missing items from Edinburgh Castle and Stirling Castle	cd-foi-requests@hes.scot
Feb-22	Does HES management operate using accredited systems from the British Standard Institute or ISO systems of work or any from other accredited bodies. If so, please list the accreditations and date when first gained. With regard to the Scottish Regulator's Code of Practice what specific measures or improvements has HES made in its operating policies that meet this code of practice requirements.	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Feb-22	Details of designations appeals so far, and author, qualifications and legal advice on contents of Designation Policy and Selection Guidance for the Linden Park Gates, Hawick.	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Feb-22	Information on Dryburn drawings/photos and The Dod artefacts	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Mar-22	Recorded information since the start of 2020 relating to the closure of Radical Road in Holyrood Park.	Cd-foi-requests@hes.scot

Mar-22	Information on the CARS scheme in Stranraer including documentation showing the accounts and deposits from this scheme, which buildings have applied or benefited from the project.	denise.lauder@hes.scot
Mar-22	Incidences of vandalism recorded at each Historic Environment Scotland site in Shetland in the last five calendar years, broken down by year. Details of nature of each incident and, if any, were they reported to the police	Cd-foi-requests@hes.scot
Mar-22	Listing Proposals for Barnhill, Jura and listing proposal policies	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Mar-22	Request for reports and correspondence on the closure of the Radical Road in Holyrood Park and monuments in HES's care since the start of 2020, including the Peer Review Panel's report on High Level Inspections.	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
Mar-22	Listed status of South Lodge, Nithbank Hospital, Dumfries	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Mar-22	The income from car parking charges at Stirling Castle Esplanade for the past 10 years, and who the owner of the land of the car park at Stirling Castle Esplanade and any lease agreement for this land.	ioanna.nikoli@hes.scot
Mar-22	Information about Scottish Canals project at Seaport Marina/Muirtown Basin, Inverness	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Apr-22	What has the temporary closure of 70 heritage properties cost HES? How much money has been spent on temporary fencing? HES states that "In some cases reduced physical access and accepting the natural process of decay will need to be considered." In what properties is such permanent closure being seriously considered?	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
Apr-22	IT Hardware and application refresh request	roddy.wyllie@hes.scot
Apr-22	Year on year figures on the amount of unauthorised works taking place in and on Scotland's protected historical monuments	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Apr-22	Would you please send me a copy of the information resulting from the FOI request : "...the number of injuries regarding rock falls from Edinburgh Castle/Castle Rock..." submitted in January 2020.	Cd-foi-requests@hes.scot
Apr-22	Adrvreck Castle - H&S assessments, and accident etc. reports for last 4 years	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Apr-22	Accessibility of St Bridget's Kirk questioned by Dalgety Bay & Hillhead Community Council	Cd-foi-requests@hes.scot
May-22	Training Spend 2021-22, 2022-23	michael.easson@hes.scot
May-22	Documents relating to Kinneil House requested to use in project work on how to re-use empty building	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
May-22	All papers sent to the HES Board in the past six months, and the minutes of these meetings, relating to the continued closure of properties while HES undertakes high level masonry inspections.	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot

May-22	Emails in the past 3 months sent by Dr David Mitchell, Elizabeth McCrone and Alex Paterson which discuss the continued closure or potential reopening of properties currently closed while HES undertakes high level masonry inspections	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
May-22	Correspondence sent by elected councillors, MSPs and MPs (and subsequent responses from HES staff) in relation to the continued closure of properties in care across Scotland due to the stated need to carryout "essential" inspections since October 2021.	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
May-22	Copy of Corporate Risk Strategy and if possible the format of the current risk register.	michael.easson@hes.scot
May-22	Copies of any correspondence between HES and a) the Scottish Government b) Scottish Natural Heritage/NatureScot about the Holyrood Park Regulations - including the Holyrood Park amendment regulations 2005 https://www.legislation.gov.uk/ssi/2005/15/contents/made - since the Land Reform (Scotland) Act was passed in 2003 b) Copies of any correspondence between HES and a) the Scottish Government b) NatureScot and c) Edinburgh City Council about the closure of the Radical Rd since September 2018 when it was closed	Cd-foi-requests@hes.scot
May-22	What information is held on the political affiliation of board members and senior staff within your organisation The current annual cost of press and media for your organisation, and the total number of personnel employed to handle press and media for your organisation What guidelines have been issued to your organisation by the Scottish Government on press releases and media. [<i>Partial Response</i>]	andy.sharp@hes.scot
May-22	Information regarding airspace restrictions created under section 19 of the 'Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979', specifically; a) The number of any airspace restrictions created under this section b) The location of any airspace restrictions created under this section and when they were created c) The maximum altitude of those airspace restrictions	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
Jun-22	Copies of any emails, social media messages, correspondence, memos, minutes, reports or any other recorded information since 2 March 2022 relating to the closure of Radical Road. To include any recorded information related to the article about the closure of the Radical Road which appeared in The Ferret in April or any other communications or discussions HES may have had with or about other parties relating to the closure of Radical Road.	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot

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Jun-22	What the current situation is regarding the structure of Linlithgow Palace	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot
Jun-22	All information about the COINTL decision - Club 3000 Bingo Hall (former Capitol Cinema/MECCA), 24 Manderston Street, Edinburgh	victoria.murray@hes.scot
Jun-22	The number of staff currently employed in the team looking after Arbroath Abbey, Edzell Castle and the St Vigean's Museum	annika.grueber@hes.scot
Jun-22	Confirmation of the dates that the places listed below were closed and when they are due to fully reopen: Linlithgow Palace, Crichton Castle, Dirleton Castle, Hailes Castle, Seton Collegiate Church, Tantallon Castle, Castle Campbell, Caerlaverock Castle, Bothwell Castle, Cadzow Castle, Rothesay Castle, Edzell Castle and Garden, Elcho Castle, Lochleven Castle, Dunfermline Abbey and Palace, St Andrews Castle, St Andrews Cathedral, St Bridget's Kirk, Dalgety Bay. In addition, details of what high level masonry checks have taken place or when they are due to take place at these sites. Confirmation that HES has the permission of the owners of those properties for which they are the caretakers but do not own to close and to continue to stay closed	linda.mackenzie@hes.scot

Jun-22	<p>1) Has any legal advice been obtained regarding the ability of HES to create airspace restrictions or to place controls on flights over properties being cared for? If so, what was that advice?</p> <p>2) Section 19 relates to 'Public access to monuments' and does not appear to have any provision for limiting space above monuments controlled and regulated by other organisations. Which subsection of section 19 of the 1979 Act is being used to place controls on drone flights over properties being cared for by HES?</p> <p>3) What is the maximum altitude of the general prohibition on drones over properties being cared for by HES?</p> <p>4) Your UAS policy states "However, regardless of launch point, no UAS is permitted to fly over our properties without permission", I would like to know the section and subsection of the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979 that enables this policy.</p>	<p>linda.mackenzie@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	All information concerning the listing of Manse Watsness, Shetland	<p>steven.grieve@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	How much did the engine shed cost to build and a breakdown of these costs, with how much was provided by the national lottery	<p>operations.foi.requests@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	<p>The number of HES sites which have had to temporarily close in the three years leading up to covid (2017-March of 2020) due to staff shortages.</p> <p>A breakdown of this by the number of staff off, and which site they worked at, as well as the staffing numbers for these sites.</p>	<p>annika.grueber@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	<p>The total amount spent on MEWP hires (cherry pickers) for access to inspect HES sites.</p> <p>I would like the amount broken down for every site operated by HES across Scotland.</p>	<p>operations.foi.requests@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	<p>The total amount spent on safety fencing in order to cordon off closed sites.</p> <p>I would like the amount broken down for every site operated by HES across Scotland.</p>	<p>operations.foi.requests@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	<p>Information regarding annual fair trade purchasing within Historic Environment Scotland and the current general policy on the procurement of fairly and ethically traded goods and services.</p>	<p>michael.easson@hes.scot</p>

Jun-22	<p>Has HES issued any kind of funding connected to the Castle Toward Estate, if so please provide details. Given the presence of Japanese Knotweed, has any invasive species control plan put in place to protect the monument and has this been followed? Was the work ongoing in January 2019 to continue to more clearly define the extent of scheduling, completed and, if so, when and what area did it define as being schedule? Was HES notified of the intent to undertake the construction of a new driveway and turning point, and for the use of th site as a burial ground, was a Schedule Consent granted for the works and were they supervised by a Project Archaeologist under a Written Scheme of Investigation. If HES was unaware of the works described above before they occurred, will it be investigating to determine if they have adversely affected the monument or the integrity of its setting and if so approximately when?</p>	<p>steven.grieve@hes.scot</p>
Jun-22	<p>The responses to the Have Your Say 'Holyrood Park and the Road Network' survey which was open to the public from 28 June to 30 September 2021, redacting personal information from respondents as appropriate. Please publish any reports or board papers which relate to or reference the 'Holyrood Park and the Road Network' survey</p>	<p>operations.foi.requests@hes.scot</p>