

## Public Interest Test Form


<b>Case Name:</b> <b>EIR Log Number: ATI 889</b>		<b>Legislation considered under: Environmental Information Regulations (2004)</b>
Information Element	Factors for Disclosure	Factors for withholding
<p>Copies of all documents, correspondences, minutes and briefing notes held in relation to the Conservation Management System Consortium.</p>	<p>Openness in the provision of information</p> <p>Promoting accountability and transparency by public authorities for their decisions.</p>	<p><b>12.5(e) Commercial Interest</b></p> <p>The Consortium was established to raise standards and promote best practice in nature conservation and countryside planning and management.</p> <p>CCW holds emails which were copied into by the Consortium.</p> <p>The Consortium is a private company limited by guarantee to which CCW pay an annual membership subscription, (financial details provided) and attends most meetings.</p> <p>The documents held contain the Consortium's commercial business in relation to developing the software and end user product and should not be provided to the public domain to protect the company's commercial interest</p>

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**Weighing the balance of the above. Reasons for final decision.**

CMS is a private Company Limited by Guarantee and it would not be in the public interest to release e-mails and attachments into which CCW has been copied as these contain commercially sensitive information.

These would have to be sought by the requestor from the company concerned.

Signature.....  ..... Dr David Parker [Director] 26 October 2012