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Dear Mr Elliott

Request under The Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs) **Properties delisted in the last 5 years**

Thank you for your request dated 15 December, which as my colleague explained in our acknowledgement letter, we are handling under the Environmental Information (Scotland) Regulations 2004 (EIRs).

Your request

You asked for “details or a list of all properties de-listed by Historic Scotland in the last 5 years. Ideally this would include what category of listing they had prior to being de-listed, building age and type of construction if possible”.

Response to your request

Please find attached a table (Annex A) that provides the information requested on buildings which have been removed from the lists from 15/12/2010 to 15/12/2015. The table also includes additional data to help identify the location of the former listed buildings.

Our data is not currently formatted in a way that enables us to query the building date of each listing, nor can we query construction materials. We have therefore also pasted in the 'Description' section of the former listed building records as this usually records the date and method of construction of the building. We have provided you with the information in a spreadsheet format and the information is set out in descending order by date of delisting.

We have been keeping an electronic record of all listings and delistings since our listing database was introduced around 1992; however information about buildings removed from the list prior to 1 October 2015 is not currently available to search online and has been retrieved from our internal database.

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We have recently introduced improvements to our designations data so that all listed buildings and those delisted from 1 October 2015 can be queried online. Other improvements to general and advanced searching of listed buildings has also been introduced. See <http://portal.historic-scotland.gov.uk/hes/web/f?p=PORTAL:DESIGNATIONS>

Full assessments against the listing criteria were introduced only a few years ago so we may not always have detailed information about why a building has been removed from the list. However basic information about the reason for delisting was added to the internal database from circa 2005 onward.

In 2014/15 we began a programme of reviewing all sites which were both designated as a listed building and a scheduled monument. The review of these sites enables us to ensure that a single (not dual) designation where this is appropriate is retained. This is why you will find the 'Removal Reason' for a number of records marked as 'Dual designation'.

A 'merged' listing will mean the record was delisted but the building is still listed as part of another listed building record.

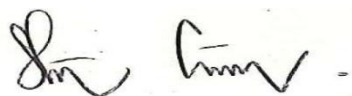
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Yours sincerely



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