

# **Environmental Information Regulations 2004**

# **DECISION NOTICE**

**Applicant:** Mr Jake Lofdahl

Subject of request: 1) copies of any correspondence with the Duchy of Cornwall

specifically relating to environmental information [a] regarding renewable energy development on Dartmoor

National Park Land.

2) copies of any minutes for meetings regarding environmental information [a] regarding renewable energy development on Dartmoor National Park Land specifically relating to the authority and the Duchy of Cornwall.

[a] for the purpose of this request 'environmental information' means the same as in the EIR.

Both of these requests specifically relate to the period between 1 January 2010 and 1 November 2011.

Date received: 22 November 2011

Further clarification on the original request was sought on 1 December 2011 and received as above on 19 December 2011.

### **DECISION**

## 1. Duty to Confirm or Deny

- 1.1 The Authority has caused a search of its records for the period between 1 January 2010 and 1 November 2011 and confirms that it holds copies of correspondence with the Duchy of Cornwall regarding renewable energy development.
- 1.2 The Authority denies that it holds copies of any minutes of meetings between the Authority and the Duchy of Cornwall regarding environmental information relating to renewable energy development on land within the National Park

#### 2. Disclosure

2.1 The Authority herewith discloses email correspondence between Mr Tom Stratton of the Duchy of Cornwall and Dr Kevin Bishop, Chief Executive (National Park Officer) of the Dartmoor National Park Authority. The Authority also discloses a copy of a covering letter from Mr Stratton regarding a grant application for the installation of a biomass (wood-fuel) boiler.

#### **YOUR RIGHTS**

If you are aggrieved by the Decision and/or by the way you have been treated by any Officer of the Authority you should put your complaint in writing, marked "Private and Confidential - Complaint" to The Monitoring Officer, Dartmoor National Park Authority, Parke, Bovey Tracey, Newton Abbot, Devon. TQ13 9JQ.

You can complain to the Information Commissioner on any of the following grounds:

- failure to provide the information you requested
- failure to respond to your request within 20 working days (or failure to explain why longer than 20 working days is needed)
- failure to give you proper advice and assistance
- failure to give information in the form in which you requested it
- failure to properly explain any reasons for refusing the request
- failure to correctly apply an exemption under the Regulations

The Information Commissioner recommends that firstly, you should complain directly to the public authority itself. Only if the authority has no complaints procedure, or if you do not believe it has dealt with your complaint properly, should you contact the Information Commissioner. You should do this as soon as possible and in any case within two months following the final response of the public authority.

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