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Dear Sir/Madam,

CONSULTATION REGARDING THE REDRAW OF DATA ZONES

Loch Lomond and The Trossachs National Park was established in 2002. Ten years on we still find it very difficult to acquire data that 'fits' to the National Park boundary. This makes all sorts of data analysis very difficult/time consuming/inaccurate.

We would very much like to see any redraw of data zones improving the 'data' situation for the National Park. This would allow us to perform our statutory functions as a National Park Authority and as a Local Planning Authority more efficiently. An example of this is our duty to monitor the progress of our Development Plan in which we rely on datazone statistics, though the current boundaries, as they are, make this very difficult and unreliable. So if any consideration was to be made to re-draw such boundaries, it would be preferable that the National Park's boundary was taken into consideration.

We appreciate the opportunity to contribute to this consultation.

Yours faithfully,

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