PE1678/F

South Lanarkshire Council submission of 16 February 2018

I refer to your letter dated 5 February 2018 regarding the Consideration of Petition PE1678 and would respond as follows to the questions raised:

Question: the number of rangers employed in your local authority area, including in any ALEO's

Answer: South Lanarkshire Council employs 8 full time Countryside Rangers

Question: whether your local authority has a three-to-five year plan for rangers services which it could provide to the committee

Answer: South Lanarkshire Council does not have a three to five year plan for the Ranger Service, as they are integrated with Access and Biodiversity staff in the Council's Countryside and Greenspace Service. Their work is linked to the Council's strategies for Outdoor Access, Biodiversity and Sustainable Development, with objectives and outcomes being monitored and reported through the Council plan and contributing Resource and Service Plans.