

**PE1678/T**

East Lothian Council submission of 2 March 2018

East Lothian has a Countryside Ranger Service all employed by the Council. There is no ALEO involvement and one of the posts is 100% funded by private developers as part of a negotiated agreement.

The National Trust for Scotland have an East Lothian locus with properties and land at Newhailes and Inveresk, Musselburgh and at Preston Mill, East Linton. A Lothian Ranger post until recently operated on these sites and other NTS properties in West Lothian. I believe that NTS are reviewing the need to maintain this Ranger post.

We do not have a stand alone Countryside Ranger plan. We operate within the wider Sport, Countryside and Leisure Service Plan; and Council Plan.