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**To:** [NAME REDACTED](#) [NAME](#)  
**Cc:** [REDACTED](#)  
**Subject:** FW: Kinloch Castle Rum  
**Date:** 19 April 2023 15:53:57  
**Attachments:** [RE Ministers visit to Rum.msg](#)

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NAME REDACTED we can pick up tomorrow. Copy of NS visit proposal attached.

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**From:** NAME REDACTED **On Behalf Of** Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023  
**Sent:** 19 April 2023 15:17  
**To:** NAME REDACTED Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023 <MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot>  
**Cc:** NAME REDACTED  
**Subject:** RE: Kinloch Castle Rum

Hi NAME REDACTED

Thank you for this email, I hope you are well.

We have discussed the below with the Minister.

TWO SENTENCES REDACTED

**Thursday, 11 May**

FOUR SENTENCES REDACTED

**Friday, 12 May**

SEVEN SENTENCES REDACTED

I hope the above will help you to look into what visits may be possible.

Many thanks and kind regards

NAME REDACTED

NAME REDACTED - Assistant Private Secretary to the Minister for Green Skills,  
Circular Economy and Biodiversity – Lorna Slater MSP

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**From:** NAME REDACTED

**Sent:** 04 April 2023 16:55

**To:** Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023

<[MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot)>

**Cc:** NAMES REDACTED \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject:** RE: Kinloch Castle Rum

Hi NAME REDACTED

The ferry timetable looks like it takes c.3 hours (except on Fridays which seems to have a more direct route) to get there and then you would get 3 hours on the island and need to get the ferry back. Seems like its part of a route rather than a direct connection: [Small Isles: Mallaig - Eigg - Muck - Rum - Canna | Island breakdown | CalMac Ferries](#)

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Our recommendation would be

- Day 1 – travel PLACE NAME REDACTED to Mallaig – 4 hours – build in some rural visits along they way (eg even via Loch Lomond for example or another part of the Ministers portfolio).
- Day 2 – head to ferry.60 min meeting with IRCT and others. 90 min meeting/tour/engagements with NatureScot ferry back to Mallaig

The day can end here (with a 4 hour drive back to PLACE NAME REDACTED that night or the following day) or the Minister could remain in the local area and do some additional rural visits on Day 3 before heading back to PLACE NAME REDACTED

Travel days – a Monday would give 3 hours on the island. A Wednesday 4.5.

Alternatively, Friday has a later ferry and the Minister theoretically could travel there for the day and back but it would be a long day with 75% of it spent travelling. On reflection this seems like the most efficient of days but it would be a tiring trip without at least 1 overnight stay (likely the Friday night in Mallaig and travel back on the Saturday). There are no ferries on Tuesdays or Thursdays.

This is just an idea of timings however. We need to engage stakeholders to make this work in practicality.

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Can I ask therefore, is there an urgent timing issue that we are not aware of?  
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Let us know the Minister's thoughts on timings.

Happy to build in any additional visits as requested.

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**From:** NAME REDACTED- On Behalf Of Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023

**Sent:** 04 April 2023 16:01

**To:** NAME REDACTED

**Cc:** Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023

<[MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot)>; NAMES REDACTED \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject:** FW: Kinloch Castle Rum

Thanks NAME REDACTED Ms Slater will want to write to them this week – can you give us a rough indication of the travel options (departing PLACE NAME REDACTED for Rum during the course of tomorrow and we'll see what's possible with the diary.

Many thanks

NAME REDACTED - Private Secretary to the Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity - Lorna Slater MSP

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**From:** NAME REDACTED

**Sent:** 04 April 2023 14:13

**To:** Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity <[MinisterGSCEB@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterGSCEB@gov.scot)> **Cc:** NAMES REDACTED \_\_\_\_\_

**Subject:** RE: Kinloch Castle Rum

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With this in mind I sent IRCT an email this morning indicating they would get a delayed response and they are happy to wait until we get in touch with them in the coming weeks.

There is an ask from NAMES REDACTED that Ms Slater visit Rum end April/ beginning may. We are happy to facilitate this. It will be a wider visit touching on the NNR on Rum etc and anything else we can fit in that would be relevant to Ms Slater's portfolio. The

aspiration from NAME REDACTED is that this visit take place end April/ beginning may but we recognise diaries can be a challenge to manage, particularly for such a rural visit.

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**From:** NAME REDACTED on Behalf Of Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023  
**Sent:** 04 April 2023 13:42  
**To:** NAME REDACTED  
**Cc:** Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity <[MinisterGSCEB@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterGSCEB@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** FW: Kinloch Castle Rum

Hi NAME REDACTED

Can you come back to me on this today please so we can process through MiCase or acknowledge.

Helpful also to have an update on the request attached today.

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**From:** NAME REDACTED On Behalf Of Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023  
**Sent:** 31 March 2023 16:15  
**To:** NAME REDACTED  
**Cc:** NAME REDACTED [Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity2023](mailto:MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot)  
<[MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot](mailto:MinisterforGSCEB@gov.scot)>  
**Subject:** FW: Kinloch Castle Rum

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Let me know if you would like PO to acknowledge this or if it requires to go to MiCase, please.

**NAME REDACTED** Private Secretary to the Minister for Green Skills, Circular Economy and Biodiversity - Lorna Slater MSP

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