

## Additional Information on the Scale of the problem:

The worst accumulations occur at the very head of the loch, but it's found in large quantities over hundreds of metres around the head of the loch – on a windy day blowing up and over the wall onto the road.



Correspondance from a tourist to the Community Council 26/04/2024:

“On a recent trip to Scotland we stayed at Loch Lomond but on one of our walks we stopped at Arrochar and walked around the bay and up along the road to the old submarine (*torpedo*) base. What struck us was the amount of litter, it was like being in a third world country and not what we would expect in Scotland. Just masses and masses of litter all in the bushes and beside the road, bottles, cans, etc, etc, etc. **Do you not clean your town at all?**”







The true scale is concealed now by the growth of summer vegetation, however the soil is now impregnated with micro plastics – it is all through the root systems of the vegetation. At low tide, large areas of the beach are covered in a fine micro plastic sand.



