



Glenshimmeroch

Forest Concept
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 Scale correct at A3
 Centre Point: 265470, 587359
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PROTECTED SPECIES

The LTFP provides an opportunity to manage forestry operations around any protected species that are located within the forest, ensuring legal compliance while maintaining undisturbed habitat and undertaking protected species surveys prior to operations, thereby contributing to the protection and enhancement of local biodiversity.

DEADWOOD

The presence of existing deadwood within the forest, together with proposed clearfelling operations, provides an opportunity to further increase deadwood levels and enhance the forest's overall biodiversity value by continuing to support a wider range of species and habitats.

CONSENTED DEVELOPMENT

Glenshimmeroch Wind Farm is a consented development proposed within the Forest Plan Area. Once the windfarm has been installed, this will reduce the net area available for productive conifer planting, however, it will extend the internal habitat network, improving biodiversity and connectivity within the forest block while diversifying the estate's long-term utility.

UTILITY LINES AND SERVICES

The presence of a private water supply and overhead powerlines provides an opportunity within the Long-Term Forest Plan to protect the water source serving the residential dwelling while also creating a network of open-ground buffer zones within the forest. These open areas can help safeguard infrastructure and water quality, while also forming corridors that facilitate wildlife movement throughout the forest.

HISTORIC FEATURES

There are several recorded historic features located within the LTFP Area, including areas of Rig and Furrow. The LTFP provides an opportunity to assess and safeguard the features through appropriate restructuring, reducing the risk of damage during future forestry operations. In addition, clearfelling operations may present opportunities to identify and record any currently unrecorded historic features.

CORE PATHS

While there are no core paths within Glenshimmeroch Forest, there is one located to the west of the forest – Southern Upland Way. The disconnection between the path and the Forest provides opportunity for improved public access and encourage wider use of the path network, consistent with the Land Reform (Scotland) Act and the Scottish Outdoor Access Code.

WATERCOURSES AND WATERBODIES

The Black Water forms the main watercourse along the northern boundary of the forest. Along with tributaries of this burn and smaller streams draining into Lochinver Reservoir, this network of watercourses provides key opportunities for forest restructuring aimed at improving water quality and enhancing habitat connectivity. This can be achieved through the creation of open-ground buffer zones along riverbanks and streams, helping to reduce runoff and protect aquatic environments, alongside the establishment of native broadleaf riparian corridors.

TIMBER TRANSPORT

The C51S public road is categorised as a 'Severely Restricted Timber Transport Route.' This provides an opportunity to engage with Dumfries and Galloway Council's Roads Department to agree appropriate arrangements for timber extraction following harvesting operations.