

Perth and Kinross Council Forest Plan Scoping Report

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SCOPING REPORT

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- RDC Proposal Number: 441261
- Business Reference Number: 163200
- Main Location Code: 701/0005
- Forest Plan Area: Total: 256.46

Scoping Process

In order to involve as many people as possible the scoping process was undertaken in three ways:

- In correspondence with statutory consultates (the list agreed with the FC)
- 14 community meetings held on the following dates:

21 st May 2013	Pitlochry and Aberfeldy
28 th May 2013	Dunkeld and Luncarty
4 th June 2013	Auchterarder and Crieff
11 th June 2013	Alyth and Blairgowrie
15 th June 2013	Perth
18 th June 2013	Kinross, Abernethy and Invergowrie
27 th June 2013	Pitlochry and Aberfeldy

- Through an online survey that was advertised and open for submissions for two months.

Each site is listed below with the key issues raised, along with a summary of the community responses. Number of community responses and statutory responses are shown separately.

Black Spout Wood, Pitlochry

Number of responses	0
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

Correspondence received from

- SEPA, Strathearn House, Lamberkine Drive, Perth, PH1 1RX
- RSPB, Tayside and Fife, Robertson House, 1 Whitefriars Crescent, Perth PH1 0PA

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Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

Birks of Aberfeldy

Community consultation:

Number of responses	Six
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Access to another location, the woodland setting and walking.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Increasing biodiversity, enhancing environmental quality and promoting access and health.

Are the management proposals supported?	All except one person did not agree with managing the woodland as continuous cover.
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- RSPB, Tayside and Fife, Robertson House, 1 Whitefriars Crescent, Perth PH1 0PA
- Local resident AD, via e-mail.
- SNH. (CC) Tayside and Grampian, Battleby, Redgorton, Perth, PH1 3EW.

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New Planting	Online submission /questionnaire	Can new planting be under taken?	There are limited options for new planting and in the areas where under planting of birch is an option, this will only be under taken if protecting natural regeneration fails.	If mature trees are removed for health and safety reasons, new trees may be planted in the space created.
Important to cull grey squirrels to prevent them carrying disease	Online submission /questionnaire	Grey squirrels are seen as undesirable both for carrying disease and out competing red squirrels.	There have been no reported sightings of grey squirrels to date, however if they do migrate into the woods to such an extent that they are detrimental to the woodland and other wildlife, then controlling their numbers will be considered.	Will be dependent of funding available.
Would like to see more scots pines and less grey squirrels	Online submission /questionnaire	Scots pine are native trees that support red squirrels.	Scots pine are a desirable species on site and if mature trees are removed for health and safety reasons Scots pine	Dependent on where on the site the planting takes place.

			may be planted as replacements.	
Mountain bike track should be "managed" and should appear in the management plan as it does affect the trees and enjoyability of the wood.	Online submission /questionnaire	There are a variety of visitors to the Birks and the needs of all users will be considered in the plan.	Mountain bikers are users of the woodland and the informal track and its management will be included in the plan.	
Eradicating beech and sycamore	AD, CC	Beech and sycamore are non-native species and should be removed and replaced with native species.	Many visitors to the woodland like the mature beech trees, so a balanced programme of removing the regeneration of the beech and sycamore will be undertaken.	This is dependent on funding.
Deer control	AD	Deer browsing significant reduced natural regeneration and deer numbers should be reduced.	Due to the popularity and location of the of the site deer stalking will not be undertaken. To support natural regeneration, tree protection will be used.	
Removal of Norway Spruce and reduction of other conifers	AD	They are non-native species.	The Norway Spruce and other exotic conifers will be gradually phased out (not replaced after natural mortality). Scots pine will remain on site to support the red squirrels and provide some landscape diversity in the winter.	
New (birch) tree recruitment.	AD, CC	Lack of understory and	Natural regeneration will be protected by tree shelters to	Further consideration will be given to

		replacement trees due to deer browsing.	develop an understory.	under planting of other native species.
Firewood production	CC	The site is not appropriate for felling trees for firewood.	Firewood will only be produced on those trees felled near the paths for safety reasons. No trees will be felled just to produce firewood. Other dead or dying trees will be left in situ as deadwood habitat.	
Retain trees that fall into or across the gorge.	CC	Woody debris in rivers and streams is a valuable habitat in its own right and extraction of the trees would cause damage to the woodland habitat.	Most of the fallen trees will remain in situ as the costs and difficulty of removing them is prohibitive. If key viewpoints are negatively affected by a fallen tree or if a catastrophic wind blow occurs where there are substantial trees across the gorge that have a detrimental effect on visitor enjoyment of the gorge, then the council will consider removing them. Before any work is undertaken SNH will be consulted.	

Victoria Park and Riverside, Aberfeldy

Community consultation

Number of responses	5
Main reason for visiting site	Wildlife, all abilities access and park facilities and walking.

(top three)	
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Promoting access and health, increasing biodiversity and enhancing environmental quality.
Are the management proposals supported?	Leaving the grass areas was not supported by two people who want more trees planted. Also, one person did not want to see more interpretation and one person did not support managing the woodland as continuous cover.

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More trees planted	Online submission /questionnaire	Can more trees be planted on the grass areas?	There are a number of woodland sites in the area and	

			so the grass areas will remain as amenity green space.	
Leave the tree stumps in the grass areas.	Online submission /questionnaire	Can the trees stumps be left as they are used by kids to climb on and dead wood is good for fungi, insects and wildlife?	The stumps can be left in situ.	

Tom na Moan Park, Pitlochry

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
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Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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Jubilee Park, Dunkeld

Community consultation.

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog, wildlife and woodland setting,
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Lessening causes and impacts of climate change, supply of timber and increasing biodiversity.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported.

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Luncarty Woods

Community consultation

Number of responses	7
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog, wildlife and walking,
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Increasing biodiversity, promoting access and health and enhancing environmental quality.
Are management proposals supported?	Producing a leaflet for use by the school was not supported by one person, maintaining open glades was also not supported by one person as was rhododendron control.

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Native trees have been removed from behind Marshall Gardens	Online submission /questionnaire	People have been cutting down trees to use for firewood.	The illegal removal of trees is a criminal offence and the police should be called. Council contractors are in uniform or have a contractor order form.	It is usually fallen branches that are removed, rather than the felling of trees.
Selective felling to increase light into neighbouring properties.	Online submission /questionnaire	Trees cause shade and can block out light.	As the woodland is mature and many of the trees are over 50 years old, the trees will only be removed for health and safety reasons.	
Improved facilities	Online submission /questionnaire	Additional woodland facilities such as play features, benches, litter facilities and dog fouling bins	Subject to funding, an interpretation board along with litter bins will be installed at the woodland	

		should be increased, and some areas need more regular maintenance to enable broader access	entrance on Marshall Way. Play equipment will not be installed, however to encourage 'natural play' any suitable trunks felled will be left in situ and tree stumps will remain in place.	
Dead and dying trees	Online submission /questionnaire	Dead and dying trees should remain in place unless they are a safety risk.	Unless they pose a risk to public safety, dead and dying trees will be left in place.	
Plant native woodland wildflowers in glades.	Online submission /questionnaire	There are a number of glades that would support native wild woodland flowers.	Subject to funding, woodland wild flowers will be planted in glades. There is a good ground cover a present.	Local provenance and site suitable plants chosen.

Provost's Walk and Primrose Park, Auchterarder

Community consultation

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog, access to another location, views.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Promoting access and health, enhancing environmental quality and supporting business development.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported and no further suggestion were made.

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Lady Mary's Walk, Crieff

Number of responses	6
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Wildlife, walking and the views.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Promoting access and health, enhancing environmental quality and increasing biodiversity.
Are management proposals supported?	One person does not support the following: removal of Himalayan balsam, the maintenance of views along the river and the removal of sycamore.

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Have tighter control on dog owners.	Online submission /questionnaire	Dogs disturb fishermen who bring money to the area, they disturb wildlife and leave behind faeces.	The site is enjoyed by many people, including dog walkers and any interpretation installed will highlight the need to keep dogs under control and to pick up dog mess.	

Mungall, MacRosty and Taylor Parks, Crieff

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog, access to another location, views.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, increasing biodiversity and supporting community development.

Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported and no further suggestion were made.
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Puddock Wood, Crieff,

Community consultation

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog, access to another location, views.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, increasing biodiversity and supporting community development.
Are management proposals	The management proposals are supported and no further

supported?	suggestion were made.
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Knock of Crieff

Community consultation

Number of responses	3
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog, walking and views.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, increasing biodiversity and promoting access and health.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, apart from one person does not support leaving deadwood on site.

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Red Kites	RSPB	Site is within an area important for an expanding Red Kite population.	Ensure trees are surveyed for breeding birds before any felling takes place.	FCS Guideline note 32: Forest operations and birds in Scottish Forests will be followed if felling takes place in the breeding season.

Den o' Alyth

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking a dog.

Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, access and health and encouraging community development.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, except unsure about removal of sycamore.

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Hazardous trees	Online submission /questionnaire	Identify and remove hazardous trees or branches near paths.	This will be undertaken as part of the management of the wood.	
Path maintenance	Online submission /questionnaire	Be quicker to make good paths when disturbed by fallen trees, landslips	The paths are monitored and maintenance work under taken as soon as	The forest plan will open up funding opportunities which may

			possible.	provide money for more robust paths to be provided.
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Blairstown and Rattray

Community consultation

Number of responses	2
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking, views and woodland setting.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Increasing biodiversity, promoting access and health and enhancing environmental quality.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, except unsure about planting an understory.

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Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

		quality if guidelines are not followed.		
Remove non-native trees below picnic area at Keith Bank.	Online submission /questionnaire	Native trees support more wildlife.	The non-native trees will be gradually phased out by removing regeneration and replacing dead and dying trees with native species.	
Put in rope ladders and rope swings.	Online submission /questionnaire	Kids need places to play within the woodlands	The management plan supports 'natural play' and tree stumps will be left and any suitable felled trunks will be left in place.	Play facilities will be provided where opportunities arise.

Largan Park, Coupar Angus.

Community Consultation.

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Lessening causes and impacts of climate change, increasing biodiversity, enhancing environmental quality.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported.

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Tree planting	Online submission /questionnaire	Some tree planting has been undertaken that is not on the map, and 'Pride of Place' would be willing to assist with planting replacement beech trees	The council are keen for the community to get involved and any offers of help are gratefully received.	

Den of Abernethy

Community consultation

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	The woodland setting and views.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Promoting access and health, increasing biodiversity, lessening causes and impacts of climate change.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported.

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Protection of water environment	SEPA, CC	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	Otter licence maybe required. Consult SNH before works.
Interpretation board location	Online submission /questionnaire	The interpretation board should be located at the entrance from Main Street, as this is the way most tourists visit the site.	The site for an interpretation board is not fixed and moving it to the entrance at Main Street will be considered.	
Removal of Non-native trees.	CC	The SSSI is in unfavourable condition due to	The mature beech trees, especially those	

		the presence of non-native trees, especially Beech. These should be removed.	in the beech glade, are popular with visitors to the site and removal of these would be extremely unpopular. Therefore the beech and sycamore will be thinned out in three phases, with around eight mature trees removed in each phase.	

Inchture Park,

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
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Riverside Drive, Invergowrie

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Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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		disturb breeding birds.	felling will be undertaken and this will be timed so it is outwith the breeding season.	operations and birds in Scottish Forests will be followed if felling takes place in the breeding season.
Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

Memorial Park, Invergowrie

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		birds.	undertaken and this will be timed so it is outwith the breeding season.	birds in Scottish Forests will be followed if felling takes place in the breeding season.
Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

Kingoodie Quarry

Community consultation

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			this will be timed so it is outwith the breeding season.	Forests will be followed if felling takes place in the breeding season.
Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

Springfield Park, Kinross

Community consultation

Number of responses	3
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking, park facilities, cycling
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, increasing biodiversity, promoting access and health.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, except that one person is unsure as to whether the trees should be managed as continuous over, whether the dead trees should be replaced and that the grass area should remain as grass.

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		birds.	undertaken and this will be timed so it is outwith the breeding season.	birds in Scottish Forests will be followed if felling takes place in the breeding season.
Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	
Expand the greenspace are and plant more trees.	Online submission /questionnaire	The community would benefit from a larger woodland / greenspace area.	The management plan only covers the area outlined on the concept map.	Comments on further land use will be forwarded to council planners and decisions on land use are currently with Scottish Ministers.

Scone Public Park,

Community consultation

Number of responses	2
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking, views, access to another location
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, encouraging community development, promoting access and health.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, there were no suggestions on other management from the public consultation.

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Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

Perth Sites

South Inch, Perth

Number of responses	2
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Woodland setting, access to another location, views
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Encouraging community development, promoting access and health and lessening causes and impacts of climate change.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported and no further suggestion were made.

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Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	

Moncreiffe Island, Perth

Community consultation

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking, woodland setting and views
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Lessening causes and impacts of climate change, increasing biodiversity and enhancing environmental quality.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported and no further suggestion were made.

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Bellwood and Norrie Miller Parks, Perth

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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Kinnoull Hill, Perth

Community consultation

Number of responses	4
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Woodland setting, views and walking a dog.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, promoting access and health, encouraging community development.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, except one person does not support managing the wood as continuous cover and another response does not support the removal of non-native species.

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- SEPA. Strathearn House, Lamberkine Drive, Perth, PH1 1RX
- RSPB, Tayside and Fife, Robertson House, 1 Whitefriars Crescent, Perth PH1 0PA
- Kinnoull Woodland Park Group (KWPG), sent by e-mail.
- SNH. (CC) Tayside and Grampian, Battleby, Redgorton, Perth, PH1 3EW.

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Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	
Develop bike trails.	Online submission / questionnaire	Having separate bike tracks will reduce friction between walkers and bikers	There is a dedicated bike track within the woodland park, better liaison with users is required.	
Deadwood and fallen trees.	KWPG, CC	Clarification on fallen trees and deadwood required.	Trees that are blown over will be 'tidied' up, but the material left in the wood as deadwood habitat. Standing deadwood away from paths with be left in situ.	Trees that have been wind blown but remain viable will be retained.
Cut meadows more often	KWPG	The meadows should be cut more often	Interesting native species benefit from fewer cuts as it	

			lets them seed. Cutting regularly only encourages species such as nettle and course grasses.	
Eradicating sycamore	KWPG	Support in principle eradicating sycamore but public will not support ring barking of mature trees.	The mature sycamore will be left, with a programme of removal of natural regeneration.	Selective felling of sycamore will be considered if funding is available.
Beech removal	CC	Beech is a non-native species and its presence is detrimental to the condition of the SSSI.	Natural regeneration of beech will be removed alongside the sycamore.	Selective felling of Beech will be considered if funding is available.
Maintain views from a number of viewpoints	KWPG	It is not just the summit that has good views, there are a number of other places that would benefit from having the view cleared.	Assuming the funding is in place the management plan will highlight the other places that offer good views.	The additional viewpoints to be discussed with KWPG.
Deer numbers	KWPG	Culling would not be acceptable on this site.	No culls will be undertaken. To reduce damage by deer, trees guards and enclosures will be used.	
Herbivore damage.	CC	Rabbits and Deer are damaging the woodland and should be controlled.	There is opposition to culling the deer. The council will work with neighbouring landowners to manage the deer numbers on a landscape scale.	Options for controlling the rabbits will be discussed with stakeholders.

Improve the heath land areas.	CC	The heathland areas could be improved by cutting and spreading the heather and disturbing the ground increase the areas of heather/ blueberry.	These suggestions will be incorporated into the plan.	
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Tulloch and Lade Woods

Community consultation

Number of responses	3
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	All abilities access, access to another location and walking.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, promoting access and health, encouraging community development.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported.

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Protection of water environment	SEPA	Forest operations can have a detrimental impact on water quality if guidelines are not followed.	For any operations UK Forest Standard guidelines will be followed.	
Grey squirrels	Online response/questionnaire	The grey squirrels should not be culled.	Grey squirrel control will only be introduced after further public consultation.	
Wild areas should be encouraged.	Online response/questionnaire	Wild areas are beneficial for wildlife.	Some wild areas are good for biodiversity; these sites are carefully chosen to balance with more formal areas.	
Undergrowth should be tidied up and maintained.	Online response/questionnaire	Undergrowth within the lade areas should be controlled.	Some wild areas are good for biodiversity; these sites are carefully chosen to balance with more formal areas.	

Muirton and Inveralmond Woods, Perth.

Community consultation

Number of responses	3
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	All abilities access, access to another location and walking.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, promoting access and health, encouraging community development.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported and no further suggestion were made.

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North Inch, Perth

Community consultation

Number of responses	1
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Walking, access to another location.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Promoting access and health and encouraging community development.
Are management proposals supported?	The management proposals are supported and no further suggestion were made.

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Jeanfield Cemetery, Perth

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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Viewlands Park

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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St Magdalene's Hill / Hilton Hill.

Community consultation

Number of responses	2
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	Views, woodland setting, walking a dog.
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	Enhancing environmental quality, supporting business development, supply of timber.
Are management proposals supported?	Yes, except one response did not support the clear fell of the larch and another did not support the removal of sycamore.

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Larch clearfell	Online response / questionnaire	Clear felling the larch will result in increased run off onto the road below. It is also an important habitat for bats, deer and other wildlife. Small sections should be cleared and planted with Scots pine.	There is a risk of catastrophic windblow if a small section is cleared. However, groups of smaller trees could be felled and planted with pine, as these are less likely to create large pockets for the wind to get into.	These issues will be taken into account in future work programmes.

Craigie Woods, Perth

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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Oakbank and Burghmuir Woods

Community consultation

Number of responses	0
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Main reason for visiting site (top three)	n/a
Which SFS themes are supported? (top three)	n/a
Are management proposals supported?	n/a

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