

Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

Penninghame LMP is a priority area in Galloway Forest District for Environmental quality; the primary objective is water quality in the R Bladnoch catchment. The sustainable production of timber sympathetic to the demands of landscape and biodiversity along with peatland restoration is also important.

Total Plan Area	3672.5ha
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Species breakdown	2016 (current)	2026 (end of plan period)
Primary species: Sitka Spruce	53.0%	45.1%
Secondary species: other conifer	11.3%	12.2%
Native broadleaf	5.0%	8.2%
Open space	30.7%	34.5%

Planned Operations	2016–2026 plan period
felling	940.5ha
thinning	140.0ha
restock	798.5ha
road construction	8250m
road upgrade	10000m

Significant Environment / Conservation Features	
Designated sites	R Bladnoch SSSI / SAC Ring Moss SSSI (adjacent)
Minimum Intervention / Natural Reserve	6.2% of plantation area

Critical Success Factors:

- Development of the R Bladnoch riparian corridor
- Peatland restoration adjacent to Ring Moss
- Construction of proposed new roads
- Persistence and enhancement of ASNW features

Consultation and Further Information:

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including meetings with the local community representatives and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact Stephen Stables, Planning Forester, Forestry Commission Scotland on 03000676963 or stephen.stables@forestry.gsi.gov.uk