

# Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

Bartaggart is an establishing woodland planted in 2014. Covering 65.18 ha, the area comprises of a mix of productive and native broadleaves and open space, including an area of restored bog.

The Bartaggart Land Management Plan (LMP) will replace and renew the previous plan, defining the management prescription for the next ten year period (between 2021-31) and presents the vision for the long-term management of the area. The main management objectives in this small scale plan will focus on biodiversity, environmental quality, and sustainable timber production.

Composition of Plan Area	Area (ha)	Percentage of plan area (%)
Woodland Area	39.09	59.97
External Open Ground Area	26.09	40.03
Total Plan Area	65.18	100.00

Species Breakdown	2021 (current)		2031 (end plan period)	
	ha	(%)	ha	(%)
Primary Species: Beech	12.72 ha	19.52 %	12.72 ha	19.52 %
Secondary Species: Sycamore	11.67 ha	17.90 %	11.67 ha	17.90 %
Secondary Species: Aspen	6.81 ha	10.45 %	6.81 ha	10.45 %
Native Broadleaf	7.89 ha	12.10 %	7.89 ha	12.10 %
Open space	26.09 ha	40.03 %	26.09 ha	40.03 %

Planned Operations	2021 – 2031 plan period
Felling	0 ha
Thinning	0 ha
Planting	0 ha
Road construction	0 ha

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Road upgrade	0 ha

Significant Environment / Conservation Features	
Special Protection Area (SPA)	The Barlay Burn drains into Loch Ken SPA approx. 5 km southwest of the plan area
Deep peat soil (>50 cm thickness)	The restored bog site will remain unplanted
Biosphere reserve	Galloway and Southern Ayrshire Biosphere
Environmentally Sensitive Area (Scotland)	Stewartry, ESA code 6
Minimum Intervention / Natural Reserve / Long Term Retention	None

## Critical Success Factors

- Protection of broadleaves from browsing damage
- Monitoring tree health and, if necessary, taking appropriate silvicultural action
- Removal of non-native invasive species and conifers naturally regenerating from nearby sources

## Consultation and Further Information

During the development of this plan we have consulted with the local community representatives and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact: Carol Finch, Forest Planner, Forestry and Land Scotland on 07584 336 505 or [Carol.Finch@forestryandland.gov.scot](mailto:Carol.Finch@forestryandland.gov.scot)