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Items 1-53 refer to responses received during the scoping period held internally for FLS colleagues between 12th-15th January 2021, and for statutory stakeholders between 7th January – 22nd February 2021.						
1	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Voles an issue for planting along water courses.	Use vole guards to protect new planting in riparian zones.	15/01/2021
2	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Lack of deer protection in Glen Devon.	Browsing of soft species will be identified as a key issue for the plan.	15/01/2021
3	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Glensherup coupe 55046 regen. with SS good to south of road, patchy to north. Current plan calls for broadleaves but planting has failed due to deer browsing.	Re-evaluate planting plan based on accepting current regen. Identify opportunities for BL's, e.g. along riparian zones, and plan to protect.	15/01/2021
4	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Growing network of MTB trails in Glen Sherup.	Monitor proliferation of new routes and remove trail features if they are deemed a H&S risk.	15/01/2021
5	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Core path from end of Glen Sherup spur road in poor condition.	Assess cost and benefit of improving pathway through to boundary fence at NN 9769 0393 to improve walking links into Glen Quey.	15/01/2021
6	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Japanese knotweed growing under bridge at entrance to Glen Sherup.	Continue with programme of invasive species removal and monitor regrowth.	15/01/2021
7	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Water supply to Whiterigg Cottages fed by an asbestos pipe, location marked. Pipe spur to Lendrick House not identified in GIS database.	Owner has attempted to locate with no success. Presence of unknown pipe should be identified on operational maps for any proposed works in the vicinity.	15/01/2021
8	12/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Small, isolated coupe across the road from main Glen Devon block (NO 013 060) could be put forward as a disposal.	Investigate process of disposal with Area Land Agent whilst discussing the usefulness of the ground with the management team.	15/01/2021
9	14/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Concerns over soil damage from heavy machinery during thinning/felling in Glen Devon.	Request small scale equipment be used during thinning operations. Identify unsuitable coupes and remove from thinning programme.	15/01/2021
10	14/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Large coupes in Glen Sherup have needed to be worked over two years to manage lack of stacking space and haulage pressure on forest road network.	Consider smaller coupes (C. 30ha) to be a more appropriate size.	15/01/2021
11	14/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Road slip in Glen Sherup awaiting repair. Roads adjacent to Fanny Burn in Glen Devon also suffering from water damage.	Reinstate roads and culverts. Clear surrounding drainage channels.	15/01/2021
12	15/01/2021		FLS Stakeholder	Possibly some potential for peat restoration in Littlerigg.	Conduct ground survey of likely sites based on soil survey data.	15/01/2021
13	26/01/2021		Neighbour	PKC have alleged that some of [FLS] car parkers have complained that they cannot get onto [Glendevon Estate] farmland. They have provided no proof of these complaints. [Glendevon Estate] intend to renew the march fence to its original purpose and simply do not want a swing gate.	FLS supports public access in the countryside and would be content with the installation of a self-closing gate at this location but we would not proceed without the consent of the neighbouring landowner. That is with the exception that Perth and Kinross Council enforces the matter by legal ruling, in which case we would be bound to comply.	08/02/2021
14	27/01/2021	Nature Scot	Statutory	Nature Scot have no comments to make regarding scoping for this plan.	No Action required.	27/01/2021
15	03/02/2021		Neighbour	Request to purchase land adjoining property.	Requests to purchase small areas of adjoining land are not usually accepted.	
16	03/02/2021		Neighbour	Looking to get windblown trees cleared adjacent to property	CF to meet with Mr Duncan and assess state of windblow and if it is within FLS scope to address.	12/02/2021

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17	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	careful consideration should be given to the use of deer proof fencing as this has a significant adverse impact on public access. If it is not possible to avoid using deer proof fencing then careful consideration must be given to the installation of sufficient gates in the right places to allow access by walkers, cyclists and horse-riders. Deer fencing across the high tops should be avoided as it presents a safety issue, particularly in bad weather when quick, unobstructed egress from the hills might be necessary.	Deer proof fencing is often a necessary tool to allow the successful establishment of new planting. We are aware of the landscape sensitivities, particularly along the ridge between Whitewisp and Tarmangie hill and the need to maintain access across the open hill beyond the forest boundary. Any plans for new fencing will be consulted prior to decisions being made.	16/02/2021
18	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	In order to ensure appropriate visual amenity, trees must not be planted on the summits of the hills nor so near to the summits as to obscure the views of and from them.	There are no plans to increase the height of the current commercial tree line. We would like to introduce an element of upland birch woodland to tie in with the neighbouring Woodland Trust properties at Glen Sherup. Due to the elevation and exposure upland birch woods never achieve any great height. Any planting of this type will be landscaped with the views from these hills in mind.	16/02/2021
19	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	We are concerned that the maps attached to the F&LS (sic) letter are out of date. In particular, the areas where planting has taken place at Earnieside to the north of South Queich, on the west side of White Creich Hill and on Warroch Hill are all shown as open land on the maps provided by F&LS. It is important that any new planting plans developed by F&LS are developed with an up to date understanding of the surrounding areas.	FLS are licenced to use the most up to date versions of maps provided by the Ordnance Survey. We are aware of new planting schemes currently being progressed on neighbouring ground and will include these areas in future maps when developing our own concepts for felling and replanting.	16/02/2021
20	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	There are plans being developed for a significant area of tree planting at Coulshill and this may be extended down into Boreland - again I suggest this should be reflected on the F&LS maps.	We are aware of new planting schemes currently being progressed on neighbouring ground and will include these areas in future maps when developing our own concepts for felling and replanting.	16/02/2021
21	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	There is an area marked on the map of Glen Devon Forest as being an Area of Great Landscape Value (AGLV). This is an outdated designation that has been replaced with the Local Landscape Area (LLA) designation. The PKC Supplementary Guidance on Landscape 2020 details the purpose of areas of local landscape value and is pertinent to the development of a 10 Year Plan for the forests of Glen Sherup and Glen Devon.	FLS shares databases with a number of organisations to allow us access to information on subjects such as landscape designations. I was personally not aware of the new LLA designation and have taken the matter up with our senior landscape architect to ensure our databases are suitably up to date.	16/02/2021
22	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	The areas of steep ground shown, particularly, on the map of the Glen Sherup Forest, require special attention. If they are felled and not replanted, the ground should be cleared of tree stumps and allowed to revert to open moorland. If, however, the ground is to be replanted but not with commercial coniferous trees, the woodland could consist of permanent, native, broadleaf trees, giving variety to the tree cover.	When felled the areas of steep ground will be replanted. Most likely with commercial conifer crops and a buffer of native broadleaves along watercourses.	16/02/2021
23	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	F&LS should be encouraged to see this as an opportunity to move away from blanket Sitka Spruce and allow greater diversity over this 1,200ha area than there is at present. A mixed woodland cover is far better for biodiversity than a continuous blanket cover of Sitka Spruce.	Increasing species diversity is a key objective of this plan revision and I would expect to see percentages of diverse conifers and native broadleaves increase over the 10 year duration of the plan. Sitka spruce will still remain a large component however as these sites are important production centres for commercial timber.	16/02/2021
24	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	Peat is a very effective way of capturing and storing carbon and unlike trees it is not harvested and does not release the carbon it has captured unless disturbed. Reference is made to the possibility of a peat restoration project near the summit of Brunt Hill. This is an excellent idea and believe that a full peat survey should be carried out across the 2 sites to ensure that re-planting is not carried out on any areas of peat and to identify any other areas that may also present an opportunity for peat restoration.	FLS has received generous grant funding to pursue peat habitat restoration as an effective tool for carbon capture and storage. As part of this plan process suitable sites will be identified and brought forward for restoration as a key priority.	16/02/2021

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25	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	Re-planting along riparian boundaries should be in accordance with best practice.	At the point of felling and restocking riparian corridors will be planted with suitable native broadleaf species in accordance with the most up to date Forestry and Water guidelines.	16/02/2021
26	09/02/2021	Auchterarder Community Council	Statutory	In order to enhance visual amenity straight line planting should be avoided.	Size and shape of coupes will be addressed at the point of restocking after felling. New rides and crop breaks will be designed to create more natural shapes with greater options for future felling coupe shapes.	16/02/2021
27	17/02/2021		Neighbour	Our water supply comes from a spring at the March Burn to the west of our property. Maintenance of that water supply is essential and we have a legal entitlement to it under our title. Whilst the location of the spring is known, the exact route of the pipe connecting the spring to our header tank is not. Any felling of trees between our property and the March Burn needs to be conducted in a way that does not interfere enough with our water supply.	A member of the harvesting team will be in touch to discuss working practices prior to any operations taking place.	19/02/2021
28	17/02/2021		Neighbour	If you do decide to fell trees around our property we would ask that you retain a screen of trees around the property, particularly any species of tree that are hardwood.	Looking at the current age of crops surrounding your property I can see no reason why we would be looking to clearfell any time in the near future. I understand that there is to be a thinning operation in this block during 2021 which you may already have been informed of. Thinning is the process of removing intermittent trees from a crop to allow space for others to grow larger, it won't have any effect on the screening around your property.	19/02/2021
29	19/02/2021	Scottish Water	Statutory	Scottish Water perceive this plan to have high risk's to our Water Treatment Works (WTW's) given the proximity to our abstraction point's and feeder watercourses. The areas highlighted in your plan would affect three different abstraction points feeding two different WTW's that together supply almost all of Fife region.	FLS will follow the guidance provided by Scottish water during the development of this LMP.	19/02/2021
30	19/02/2021	Scottish Water	Statutory	Please ensure the Sustainable Land Management team are kept informed of all activities relating to this plan 3 months prior to any work commencing, this includes planting, mounding, felling etc	Note made in delivery stage of comms plan to contact SW 3 months prior to any operations.	19/02/2021
31	19/02/2021	Friends of the Ochils	Local Interest	Deer fencing across the high tops should be avoided as it presents a safety issue, particularly in bad weather when quick, unobstructed egress from the hills might be necessary.	Appropriate action will be taken to ensure adequate free and open access is available in the event of any new deer fencing being proposed in this LMP review.	19/02/2021
32	19/02/2021	Friends of the Ochils	Local Interest	Soil studies should be carried out across the site to determine which specie of tree should be planted in a given area so as to ensure " <i>The Right Tree In the Right Place</i> "	FLS has comprehensive soil maps for the blocks of Glen Devon and Glen Sherup. Modern forestry practice is very much in line with the concept of 'right tree in the right place'. When designing future forest structure species choice is based on the principles of the Environmental Site Classification system developed by Forest Research.	19/02/2021
33	19/02/2021	Friends of the Ochils	Local Interest	We are concerned about the application of the 50cm rule as regards whether or not to allow planting on peat as even peat of a depth of less than 50cm is a significant carbon store and carbon capture mechanism into the future.	At present there is no specific guidance which suggests we should not be either planting or restocking shallow peats.	19/02/2021
34	16/02/2021	Clackmannanshire Council	Statutory	Both areas under review contribute to the River Devon catchment to some degree and flows from the Glen Sherup area are buffered by the Glen Devon Reservoir. Any substantial felling or cultivation activities in these areas will, unless appropriate interventions are required to retain the land's current ability to attenuate flows, lead to increased flows rates hence flood risk is increased.	FLS adheres to the most up to date Forestry and Water guidelines when planning forest operations. Felling coupes will be sized appropriately based on the size of the catchment and percentage of forestry it contains. Restocking will include appropriate measures to attenuate the flow of water into downstream operational target areas (OTA's).	19/02/2021

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35	16/02/2021	Clackmannanshire Council	Statutory	Any tree felling, or cultivation / planting operations which may be approved as part of this review should be subject to a prior assessment of the potential for increased flood risk to sensitive areas in the catchment.	FLS adheres to the most up to date Forestry and Water guidelines when planning forest operations. Fellign coupes will be sized appropriately based on the size of the catchment and percentage of forestry it contains. Restocking will include appropriate measures to attenuate the flow of water into downstream operational target areas (OTA's).	19/02/2021
36	16/02/2021	Clackmannanshire Council	Statutory	Anecdotally, there is a black grouse lek on the east side of the forest. Increasing and improving the suitable habitat near the lek site is likely to provide opportunities for the population to grow.	We will be exploring the opportunity to plant areas of currently open ground at the top of Glen Sherup with upland birch woodland which will complement the neighbouring Woodland Trust properties.	19/02/2021
37	16/02/2021	Clackmannanshire Council	Statutory	The deer fence along the top of Bentie Knowe should have markers for black grouse.	We will need to confirm the presence of a lek. If one is located we will look to install appropriate markers on the deer fence.	19/02/2021
38	16/02/2021	Clackmannanshire Council	Statutory	There's definitely loads of biking potential and bearing in mind that ebikes are heavier than regular mtn bikes, gates should be provided rather than stiles. We would also encourage the potential for suitable tracks to help negotiate the contours and climb up from Glen Devon.	FLS encourages responsible access on the National Forests and Land. We will consider these proposals in light of budget availability.	19/02/2021
39	16/02/2021	Clackmannanshire Council	Statutory	There are good links for longer bike routes, which could take you to Dunning (Kirkstlye Inn for charging and meals), Auchterarder (Synergy cycles has a café) and also Comrie Croft (Bike trails) and Crieff. We would be happy to contribute to this process.	FLS encourages responsible access on the National Forests and Land. We will consider these proposals in light of budget availability.	19/02/2021
40	15/02/2021	Scottish Woodlands	Neighbour	Scottish Woodlands are developing a new woodland creation at Coulshill, adjacent to Glen Devon. We would appreciate FLS sharing current fell and restock plans to help develop our proposals.	FLS are happy to work in collaboration with neighbouring landowners to develop plans at a wider landscape scale.	15/02/2021
41	22/02/2021	Perth and Kinross Council	Statutory	No response received	No Action required.	22/02/2021
42	22/02/2021	Fossoway Community Council	Statutory	No response received	No Action required.	22/02/2021
43	22/02/2021	RSPB	Statutory	No response received	No Action required.	22/02/2021
44	22/02/2021	SEPA	Statutory	No response received	No Action required.	22/02/2021
45	22/02/2021	SSE	Statutory	No response received	No Action required.	22/02/2021
46	22/02/2021	Historic Environment Scotland	Statutory	No response received	No Action required.	22/02/2021
47	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Create substantial native woodland habitat links between the 3 [WT and FLS] sites [in Glen Sherup]. As a baseline this could be focused around the areas with greatest ecological and landscape potential but could also extend far beyond this. It would be wonderful to see native woodland being the main driver for your plans given the context of Glen Devon, although we of course recognise that productivity is also a necessary objective for FLS.	We are keen to explore the opportunities for expanding native woodland cover in Glen Sherup and will look to work closely with our neighbours at the Woodland Trust to identify a suitable working concept that meets both commercial and environmental objectives.	22/02/2021
48	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Integrate public access more fully across the 3 sites. The Glen Devon woods are becoming increasingly popular and have enormous potential to engage people with woodland and provide recreation. We would be very happy to work with FLS on expanding and integrating the access and habitat networks.	FLS encourages responsible access on the National Forests and Land. We will consider these proposals in light of budget availability.	04/03/2021

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49	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Work closer together on deer management across the Glen Devon sites.	FLS will actively work with neighbouring landowners to manage local deer populations.	04/03/2021
50	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Develop more partnership working in general and build on our existing good relationships with FLS.	FLS are happy to work in collaboration with neighbouring landowners to develop plans at a wider landscape scale.	04/03/2021
51	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Expand the area of sub-montane habitat and woodland fringe that we have established on the high levels along the western ridgeline of Glenquey (Glenquey Hill & Innerdownie, etc) and around Ben Shee and along the eastern edge where we march with FLS ground. In these areas we have seen year on year increase in sightings of black grouse (one of the fastest declining species in the UK according to RSPB), their lek sites and increasing numbers of hens at lek. Removing sheep, erecting a deer fence and establishing a sporadic planting scheme in a mosaic of open ground has improved habitat improvement opportunities for black grouse in the area and see the FLS 10-year review as an important opportunity to expand this key habitat and important species across the range.	We are keen to explore the opportunities for expanding native woodland cover in Glen Sherup and will look to work closely with our neighbours at the Woodland Trust to identify a suitable working concept that meets both commercial and environmental objectives.	04/03/2021
52	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Our ideal would be to see FLS focus the productive conifer stands within a central core area along the glen (with good internal road access & highest productivity) and surround the outer areas with a mosaic of irregular native and open ground habitat. This would have multiple benefits and help protect our established native woodland blocks and future regen' areas from seed drift of non-native competing species into our sites. Throughout the productive area of conifers ribbons of native woodland/open ground habitat could be established on either side of the major burns. These would add to the native woodland composition and act as wildlife corridors for the dispersal of species and provide accessible wildlife corridors across FLS & WT sites.	The range of objectives set out for the National Forests and Land is much broader now than it was when these forests were originally planted. It is important for FLS to manage sites for a range of public benefits; economic, ecological and social. We will aim to strike an appropriate balance based on the stated objectives for these blocks.	04/03/2021
53	02/03/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	We have a range of on-going habitat monitoring work going on across our woodlands at Glendevon – of particular interest is the long-term annual study by Stirling Uni on bird species in Glen Quey in relation to native woodland habitat restoration and also individual species such as whinchat. There is an opportunity to work closer on sharing and expanding habitat monitoring data across the sites.	FLS are happy to work in collaboration with neighbouring landowners to develop plans at a wider landscape scale.	04/03/2021
Items 54-78 refer to responses received from the formal plan consultation held for Statutory stakeholders and the public between 5th July – 15th August 2021.						
54	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	There is real concern that there is no mention of use by husky teams and how these will interact with the potential shooting sites in Glen Devon.	Although not mentioned specifically in the plan consultation we are aware of the outstanding permissions for husky training in Glen Devon and have engaged named contacts as statutory consultees for this LMP. Shooting sites for deer control mentioned in the concept maps indicate areas we would like to maintain as managed open space to create sightlines for shooting. These areas are designed to have safe backdrops and do not make use of forest roads for sightlines.	16/08/2021

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55	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	Illegal motorcycle and quad bike use in the forest.	FLS is aware that this is an issue and we do what we can to manage incidents of antisocial behaviour on the National Forests and Land. If members of the public encounter such activities in the forest we request that they inform the regional office by phone (0300 067 6380) or by email (enquiries.east@forestryandland.gov.scot).	16/08/2021
56	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	More care for wet areas for amphibious animals such as frogs, toads and newts.	As demonstrated in the plan FLS aims to improve riparian habitats at the point of restocking by buffering watercourses with low density planting of native broadleaved species. Keeping commercial planting back from the edges of burns and rivers helps to stimulate understorey growth that is supportive of a broad range of local flora and fauna. Areas suitable for peat restoration have also been highlighted in the plan.	16/08/2021
57	16/08/2021	Scottish Water	Statutory	FLS will need to carefully contract manage this to ensure contractor[s] bring the right machinery to work the most sensitive aspects of the site as outlined. Plan need to include a section on existing land drainage to identify any drains especially within the reservoir LMP area. These need blocking as part of the sites pollution prevention strategy to protect public drinking water. Communications Plan needed with Scottish Water on pollution prevention and also long term restocking options to protect water quality.	FLS follows the most up to date Forestry and Water guidelines on all operational sites which includes disconnecting existing drains from watercourses. As requested, FLS will contact Scottish Water 3 months prior to operations being undertaken to discuss site specific work plans. This is recorded as an action in the communications plan for this LMP. Restocking options include generous permanent riparian buffers to minimise incidents of diffuse pollution occurring in future operations.	16/08/2021
58	16/08/2021	Scottish Water	Statutory	Sitka Spruce regen needs careful monitoring and subsequent management especially in areas where it is outcompeting broadleave trees. This work often gets left as its costly and non core work, we would contend that it is core work to manage buffer areas or areas designated for NBL that has this species in it that should not be there.	We acknowledge that SS regen is a likely barrier to increasing species diversity in this plan. Areas designated as managed open space will have an active programme in place to remove self seeded trees. Areas designated for alternitave species will be managed to control regen up to the point of canopy closure.	16/08/2021
59	16/08/2021	Scottish Water	Statutory	The peatland restoration potential around Burnt Hill is welcomed, we would support any moves to increase this area of restoration.	The area identified for peat restoration will receive more detailed survey to determine the exact extent of restorable area as an action in this LMP.	16/08/2021
60	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	more specific details about provision for mountain bikers and skiers. There's a good opportunity to put in a skills loop and some trails for mountain bikes as well as signposting routes with access to the open hill for skiers and bikers.	FLS is open to working with local organisations to implement increased recreational offerings on the National Forests and Land. Due to budget and resource constraints we are limited to maintaining the existing network of core paths and access highlighted in this LMP without additional support.	16/08/2021
61	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	I'd like to see more cooperation and promotion of the area for mountain biking. There is nothing within an hours drive in any direction that compares	FLS is open to working with local organisations to implement increased recreational offerings on the National Forests and Land. Due to budget and resource constraints we are limited to maintaining the existing network of core paths and access highlighted in this LMP without additional support.	16/08/2021
62	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	Budget for recreation. Flowing MTB trails in Glendevon blocks. Footpath in BL in Gelnsherup	FLS is open to working with local organisations to implement increased recreational offerings on the National Forests and Land. Due to budget and resource constraints we are limited to maintaining the existing network of core paths and access highlighted in this LMP without additional support.	16/08/2021
63	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	It would be good to establish recreation links to neighbouring blocks, footapths linking to gates in Glensherup, a footbridge in NE corner of Glendevon block to link to neighbour, re-establish path.	FLS is open to working with local organisations to implement increased recreational offerings on the National Forests and Land. Due to budget and resource constraints we are limited to maintaining the existing network of core paths and access highlighted in this LMP without additional support.	16/08/2021
64	16/08/2021	Anon. public	Local Interest	We would like to see more collaboration regarding deer culls, sharing cull targets, numbers and engaging with neighbours to reduce the deer population	FLS is keen to progress a collaborative deer management approach across the local area and welcomes input from neighbouring landowners to pursue this objective.	16/08/2021

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65	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	The WT is experiencing increasing migrating SS regeneration from adjacent stands of SS. This has been adversely impacting establishment and development on the native woodland/open ground habitats on the Woodland Trust estate. With this in mind we would appreciate consideration be made to increasing the buffer zone distance to ensure the spread of SS regen is minimized across neighbouring land. An effect buffer zone in our experience has been to ensure a gap made up of native species/open ground habitat by at least 100m occurs between any SS planting between Glen Sherup F&LS and the adjacent Glen Sherup & Glen Quey WT sites.	We are aware of the issues with Sitka spruce natural regen in this plan area and the potential impacts on neighbouring landowners. I have analysed the buffer between our proposed commercial crops in the restock plan and in the majority these comply with the proposed 100m separation suggested. There is one small area identified where our properties march between Innerdownie and Glenquey hill where the commercial crop comes up to the march fence. I will look to amend this prior to plan submission.	16/08/2021
66	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Glen Sherup forest F&LS & the GDW WT estate is becoming increasingly popular with visitors seeking health & wellbeing recreational outdoor activities -something we welcome. Hence, the WT is keen to maintain and enhance where possible opportunities for a combined ecosystem services strategy to develop in the area.	FLS shares this view and is open to developing opportunities at a wider landscape scale with neighbouring landowners.	16/08/2021
67	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Unfortunately this popularity has lead has led to an increase in the occurrence of antisocial behaviour. Ranging from - unauthorised motorcycles - an increasing issue in the area and present particular problems specifically to visitor safety and footpath damage to the WT path network through to increased litter and dog waste. The WT would like to work with F&LS in the Glendevon area to minimise such antisocial activity.	FLS is aware that this is an issue and we do what we can to manage incidents of antisocial behaviour on the National Forests and Land. If members of the public encounter such activities in the forest we request that they inform the regional office by phone (0300 067 6380) or by email (enquiries.east@forestryandland.gov.scot).	16/08/2021
68	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	The WT wishes to see further improvements to the gains already achieved in species and habitat diversity by increasing and expanding into a broader collaborative landscape scale approach with our neighbours.	FLS shares this view and has identified the expansion of native habitat in Glen Sherup as an objective in this plan. While we accept this may not be at the scale WT would like to see we feel that what is proposed is a positive step that works in conjunction with our other objectives for this block.	16/08/2021
69	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	The 14Km Reservoir Trail & Glen Quey Drove Road Core Paths provide an important network of paths in the area linking up Glen Sherup Forest F&LS and the collective Glen Devon Woodlands (Geordie's Wood, Glen Sherup & Glen Quey WT). The WT would like F&LS to support the Reservoir Trail core path access and ensure it is maintained and where possible enhanced through Glen Sherup F&LS forest.	FLS acknowledges the benefits to health and wellbeing provided by open access both within and beyond the National Forests and Land. We are committed to maintaining the current provision of core paths and access and will look to improve our offering where opportunities arise.	16/08/2021
70	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Deer (Roe deer) and sheep numbers are high in the area. The WT is shortly to commence a phased gradual removal of the perimeter deer fencing, which has served its purpose, around each of the three sites WT sites. This to be replaced with standard stock fencing. The WT believes that a combined management approach of internal deer control and stock fencing is the best solution on these sites to maintaining browsing control.	Following a recent meeting between FLS and WT on the subject of wildlife management We are satisfied that deer numbers are capable of being controlled through a programme of active culling within the Glen Devon and Glen Sherup blocks. We welcome the proposal to retain a stock height fence to control sheep movement and are open to the idea of sharing knowledge to assist in deer control.	16/08/2021
71	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Black Grouse- the WT wish to see an of expansion of suitable black grouse habitat in the area (both on and off our site) to increase black grouse numbers and provide opportunities for suitable lek sites to establish.	Proposed expansion of native habitat in Glen Sherup, in conjunction with expansion of riparian habitats, should provide the required habitat links to facilitate the dispersal of priority species throughout the block.	16/08/2021
72	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Red squirrel – are present on all three of our sites. The WT would like to see dispersal and expansion of the species across the area by establishing effective wildlife corridors with our neighbours.	Proposed expansion of native habitat in Glen Sherup, in conjunction with expansion of riparian habitats, should provide the required habitat links to facilitate the dispersal of priority species throughout the block.	16/08/2021

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73	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Pine Martin – are present throughout GDW. The WT wishes to see further dispersal of the species across the area by developing interlinking wildlife corridors with our neighbours.	Proposed expansion of native habitat in Glen Sherup, in conjunction with expansion of riparian habitats, should provide the required habitat links to facilitate the dispersal of priority species throughout the block.	16/08/2021
74	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Deadwood habitat – is an important component of a forest ecosystem and supports a wide range of wildlife. The WT believe there is an opportunity with the clear felling and restructuring of Glen Sherup F&LS management coupes to significantly increase the standing and fallen deadwood habitat above the minimum amount UKFS/UKWAS requirements. The WT would like F&LS to consider this opportunity.	FLS will endeavour to create high volume and quality deadwood habitats connected along important riparian corridors during forest restructuring, which will be secured in the long term with native riparian woodland restocking. Where feasible, FLS will also retain minor and non-invasive conifer species past commercial felling dates and uneconomical patches of windblow to increase dynamic future deadwood habitats across the forests.	01/09/2021
75	16/08/2021	Woodland Trust	Neighbour	Riparian zones – often provide valuable habitat for remnant upland plant communities. The WT wish to see these areas are fully protected with wider buffering protection than the minimum width specified under UKFS/UKWAS conditions.	UKFS requires a minimum buffer of 10m either side on watercourses up to 2m wide. Given that a mature Sitka spruce side branch can reach 7m in length I tend to allow for a more generous exclusion zone when designing future restocking as a matter of course.	16/08/2021
76	16/08/2021	Friends of the Ochils	Local Interest	We remain concerned as regards the use of deer proof fencing as it limits access. a. The Plan does not set out a maintenance plan for such fencing. b. There are already significant areas of forest in this area of the Ochils and more are in the pipeline. If all these sites are fenced in separately there will be significant adverse impact on access. A rationalisation of the fencing in the area would be welcomed. c. Reference is made to the existing Woodland Trust Scotland (WTS) deer proof fencing. We note however that this fencing is approximately 20 years old and is not in good condition and we also understand that WTS plan to remove this fencing once their trees are able to withstand deer grazing. Does F&LS plan to replace this WTS fencing? d. If deer proof fencing is to be erected, we ask that indicators be attached to the fence to direct walkers to the nearest access point and that further consultation is undertaken to ensure there are sufficient access points and that they are located in the best possible places.	FLS is open to working with local landowners on the subject of deer management over a wider geographic area which could include the implementation of strategic fencing if a strong enough argument presents itself and there is willing collaboration from all parties. We will look to ensure open access is maintained at suitable sites in all fences that are erected on the National Forests and Land and will look to engage with relevant stakeholders during the work planning stage for these projects. I have made a note in the communications plan for this LMP to contact Friends of the Ochils when discussing future fencing operations. We are aware of the WT plans to remove existing deer height fences and replace with stock fencing and are confident that effective deer management is achievable with this in mind. As such it is likely that this negates the requirement to create a new section of deer height fence below the summits of Tarmangie and Whitewisp hills as detailed in the concept map.	16/08/2021
77	16/08/2021	Friends of the Ochils	Local Interest	We remain concerned as regards the planting of trees on shallow peat. We understand that shallow peat is generally regarded as peat that is less than 50cm deep. We acknowledge that there is no specific guidance which suggests you should not be planting on shallow peat. That said the guidance does not simply say that one can plant trees on peat that is less than 50cm deep – the guidance sets out other matters that are to be taken into account. We also note that there is growing evidence that a change to the current guidance could be forthcoming.	When considering afforestation on organo-mineral soils FLS aims to follow the most up-to-date guidance backed up by sound scientific research. At present this suggests that "high productivity forests planted on shallower peat soils with limited disturbance provide a substantial net carbon uptake over the forest cycle" (E. Vanguelova et al. 2018). Benefits of lower productivity forests are negligible in terms carbon capture but do convey other positive attributes, such as expansion of priority habitats and natural flood risk management.	01/09/2021
78	16/08/2021	Nature Scot	Statutory	Thank you for contacting us about the above case. One of our area officers have now looked at this and I can confirm that we have no comments to make on this consultation.	No action required	16/08/2021