



## Accessible text from Map 2 - Features, Issues & Challenges

- 1 active research plot within Plascow, nearby current felling coupes.
- The blocks are sited within the Stewartry Environmentally Sensitive Area.
- Larch areas to be removed as per Scottish Forestry Larch Management Strategy
- The majority of conifer species are currently spruce. However site conditions, such as soils, which are mainly peaty gleys, may limit future species choice.
- Some woodland creation sites on adjacent land which will be reviewed to attempt to blend the wider landscape.
- Utilities on site include overhead powerlines, radio mast and water pipelines, mainly associated with the periphery of the blocks.
- Timber transported from the Plascow block travels out onto a restricted route.
- Opportunities for enhancing and increasing broadleaved areas, particularly around riparian zones and treelines against open hill tops to be investigated.
- Priority species within the plan area include; various raptors including schedule 1 species) badgers and fox.
- Design surrounding Round Hill to be investigated and design enhance for landscape setting.
- The water body catchments for Kirkgunzeon Lane is currently rated as 'Moderate'.
- Part of the SEPA drainage area for Dalbeattie Objective Target Areas for flood risk.
- Area of priority open habitats mainly concentrated around Falgunzeon, to be reviewed.
- Active Gliding Club lease area within the forest block.
- Coupes are currently managed through clearfell and restock, Alternative to clearfell options to be investigated.
- There are Private Water Supplies that could potentially interact with forestry activities.

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