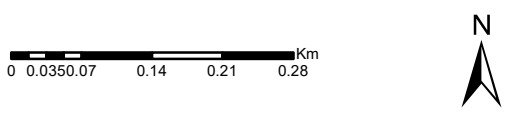
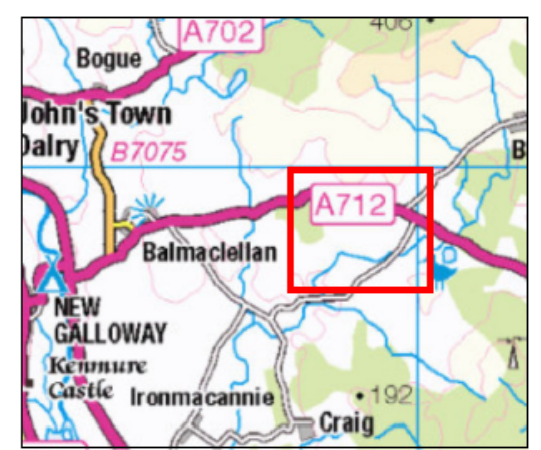


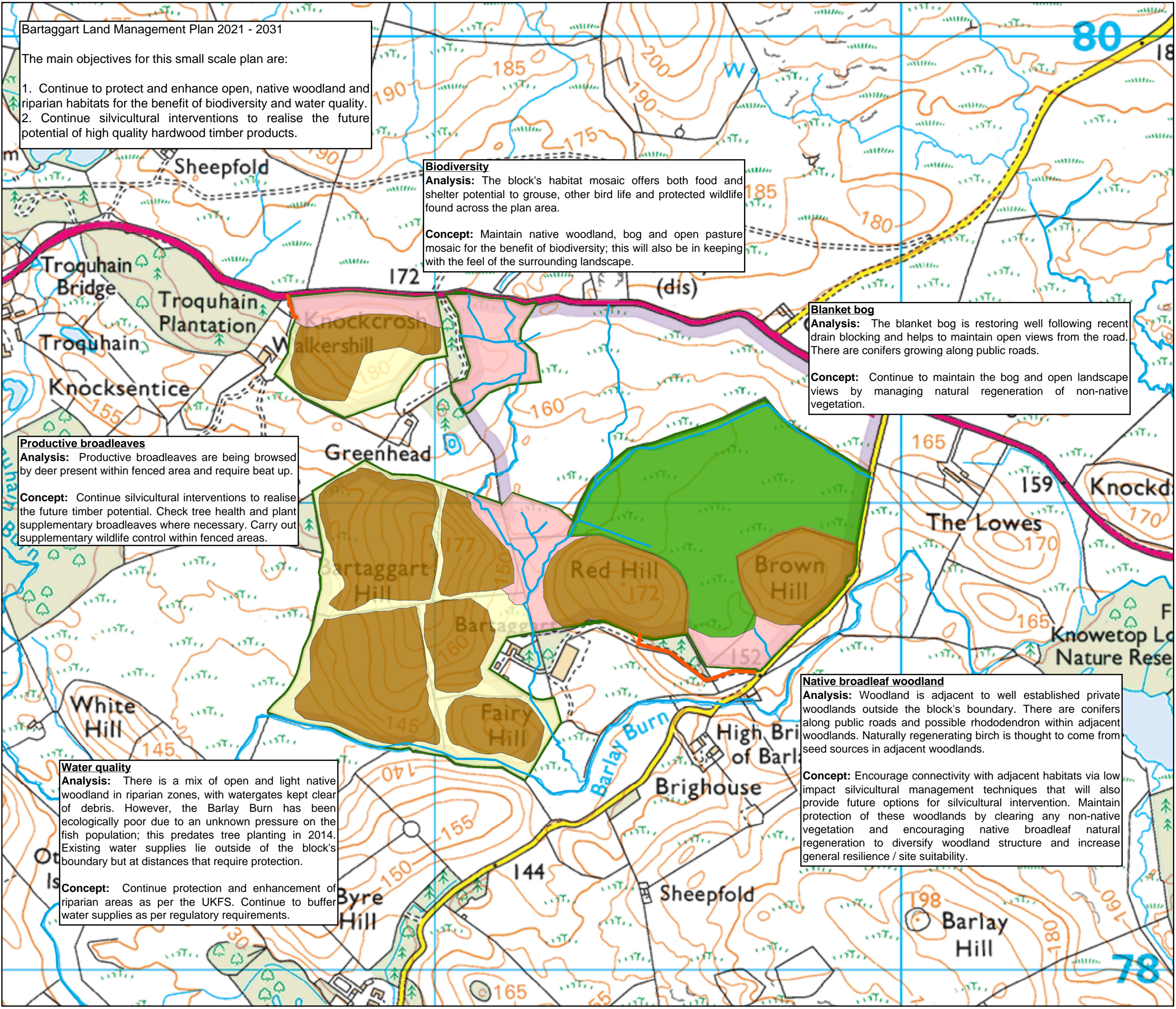
**Bartaggart**  
**Map 3 - Analysis and Concept**

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**Bartaggart Land Management Plan 2021 - 2031**

The main objectives for this small scale plan are:

1. Continue to protect and enhance open, native woodland and riparian habitats for the benefit of biodiversity and water quality.
2. Continue silvicultural interventions to realise the future potential of high quality hardwood timber products.

**Biodiversity**  
**Analysis:** The block's habitat mosaic offers both food and shelter potential to grouse, other bird life and protected wildlife found across the plan area.  
**Concept:** Maintain native woodland, bog and open pasture mosaic for the benefit of biodiversity; this will also be in keeping with the feel of the surrounding landscape.

**Blanket bog**  
**Analysis:** The blanket bog is restoring well following recent drain blocking and helps to maintain open views from the road. There are conifers growing along public roads.  
**Concept:** Continue to maintain the bog and open landscape views by managing natural regeneration of non-native vegetation.

**Productive broadleaves**  
**Analysis:** Productive broadleaves are being browsed by deer present within fenced area and require beat up.  
**Concept:** Continue silvicultural interventions to realise the future timber potential. Check tree health and plant supplementary broadleaves where necessary. Carry out supplementary wildlife control within fenced areas.

**Water quality**  
**Analysis:** There is a mix of open and light native woodland in riparian zones, with watergates kept clear of debris. However, the Barlay Burn has been ecologically poor due to an unknown pressure on the fish population; this predates tree planting in 2014. Existing water supplies lie outside of the block's boundary but at distances that require protection.  
**Concept:** Continue protection and enhancement of riparian areas as per the UKFS. Continue to buffer water supplies as per regulatory requirements.

**Native broadleaf woodland**  
**Analysis:** Woodland is adjacent to well established private woodlands outside the block's boundary. There are conifers along public roads and possible rhododendron within adjacent woodlands. Naturally regenerating birch is thought to come from seed sources in adjacent woodlands.  
**Concept:** Encourage connectivity with adjacent habitats via low impact silvicultural management techniques that will also provide future options for silvicultural intervention. Maintain protection of these woodlands by clearing any non-native vegetation and encouraging native broadleaf natural regeneration to diversify woodland structure and increase general resilience / site suitability.