



Keith Woods

LMP Summary

This plan is a review of Forestry and Land Scotland’s (FLS) management of Keith Woods, consisting of Sillyearn, Balloch Woods, Dunnyduff and Cairds Wood. The entrance to Balloch Woods is located approximately 12km North-West of Huntly. The plan area extends to 1478ha.

In terms of designations, there are significant areas of Long-Established Plantation Origin (LEPO) woodland in Cairds Wood, Balloch Woods and Sillyearn. Dunnyduff is almost entirely designated as Ancient woodland (PAWS). See Map 2: Key features for more detail.

Planned Operations	2021-2031 plan period
Clearfell	113.1ha
Thinning	1445.5ha
Restock	177.7ha

Planned operations in 10 year plan period

Species	Area (ha) 2021	% Cover 2021	Area (ha) 2031	% Cover 2031
Primary Species: Sitka spruce	597	40.39%	554.8	37.54%
Secondary Species: Scots pine	228.2	15.44%	255.5	17.29%
Other Conifers	295	19.96%	324.2	21.93%
Broadleaves	79.3	5.36%	136.9	9.26%
Open and Felled areas	278.6	18.85%	206.7	13.97%

Species coverage change in plan period

Critical Success Factors

- Thinning and clearfell operations to be carried out on schedule to ensure timber production targets are met and to avoid adjacency issues.
- Protect and improve water environment during all forestry works.
- Effective deer control over restock sites is imperative to ensure successful establishment.
- Forestry works carried out with protecting recreational use as a priority.
- Access issues to Dunnyduff Wood need to be resolved within plan period

Location Map

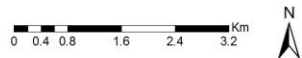
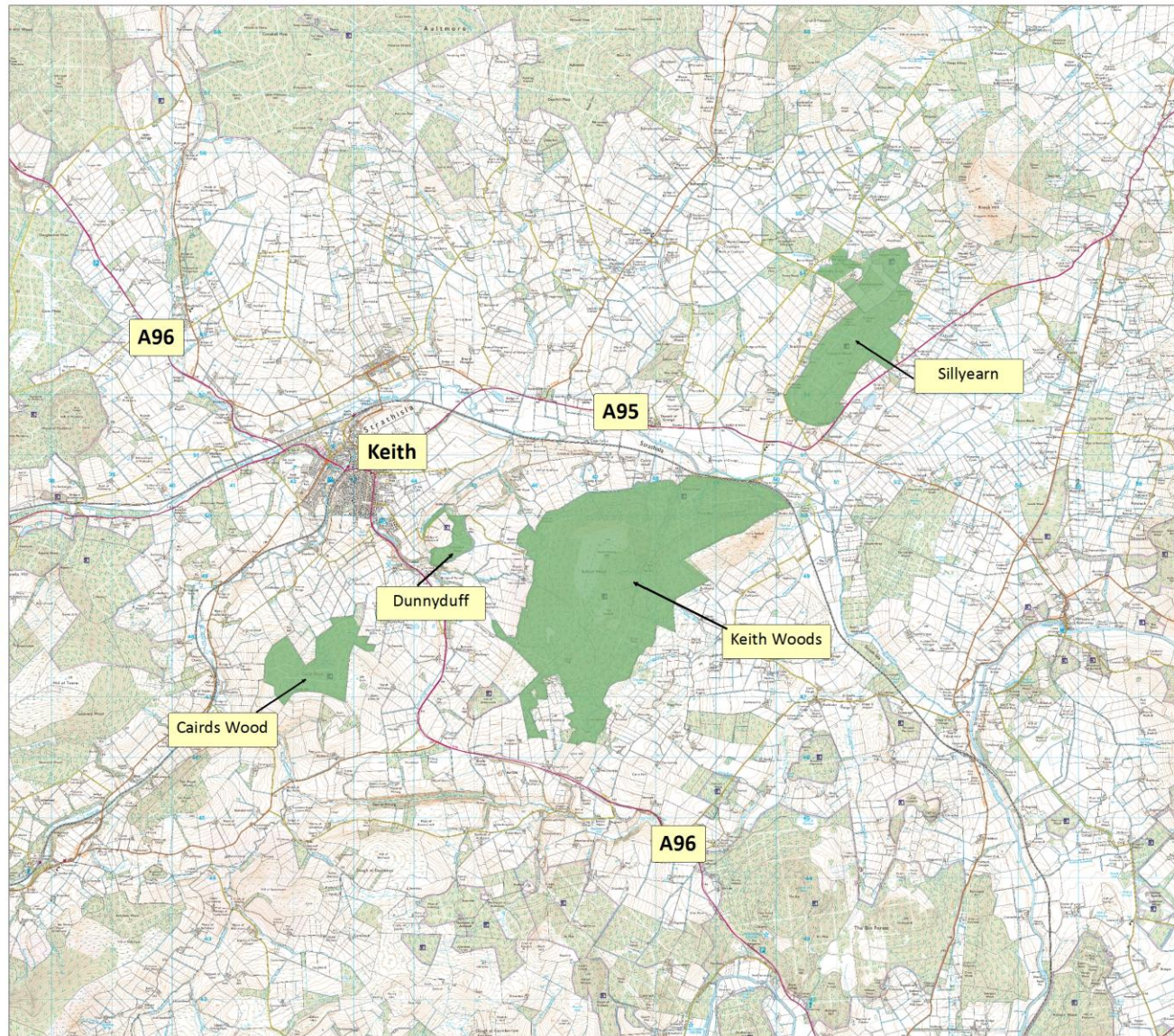


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Map 1: Location
Scale @ A1: 1:30,000
Date: 09/12/2020

Legend

■ Keith Woods LMP area



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