

Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

Analysis of the available information has led to two **primary objectives** for this plan depending on the area in question.

In Tyrebagger and south Kirkhill the primary objective is the management of the woodland to provide a recreational resource for Aberdeen and the surrounding area. This includes the maintenance and enhancement of the Tyrebagger Christmas tree sales centre, a key public engagement mechanism for the district.

For north Kirkhill and Parkhill the primary objective is the production of a quality crop of timber.

An additional **secondary objective** for the future management of all the woodland has been identified as:

- The control of grey squirrels and delivering management regimes to benefit red squirrels.

Total plan area	494 ha
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Species breakdown	2015	2025
Primary species: Sitka Spruce	28%	32%
Secondary species: Larch	18%	18%
Other conifers	23%	24%
Broadleaves	5%	7%
Open & felled areas	26%	19%

Planned operations	2015 - 2024
Felling	31 ha
Restocking	68 ha






Critical success factors:

- Undertake the planned thinning programme in order to increase the quality of the timber within the plan area.
- Continue to attempt to manage the spread of Dothistroma Needle Blight through clearfelling and subsequently restocking with appropriate less susceptible species.

- Undertake the thinning planned for the LISS areas in order to manage the light levels to allow the development of the appropriate ground vegetation and natural regeneration.
- Continue with the maintenance of the forest road network to allow forest operations to be successfully completed.
- Continue the management of the recreational facilities and access to the block including reducing the impacts of the AWPR.
- Manage deer numbers to allow natural regeneration and planted trees to become successfully established.

Consultation and Further Information:

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-  Dyce woods
-  A roads
-  B roads
-  Minor roads
-  Railway



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