

SUPPORT FOR INVERAWE COMMUNITY WOODLAND (ICW).

We, the members of Inverawe Community Woodland, are looking for your support in order to be able to purchase a small (15 acre) area of ancient woodland from Forestry & Land Scotland (formerly known as Forest Enterprise Scotland/Forestry Commission). Forestry & Land Scotland wish to dispose of this woodland to a community group through their Community Asset Transfer Scheme as they have deemed it as being of no value to them in terms of their usual commercial softwood forest production.

We were established as a community group in July 2017 and we draw our membership from the area known as the Taynuilt Community Council area. Our aim is to buy and keep the woodland in local ownership and to manage it for the benefit of the community both locally and further afield.

The woodland itself lies to the North East side of the River Awe between the river and the unclassified public/private road to Inverawe House and Smokery. It consists of mainly mature tree species such as Beech, Birch, Oak and Scots Pine with lots of the more common smaller species such as Willow and Hazel. It provides habitat for a wide variety of animals, including a very healthy red squirrel population whose residence we are keen to continue to encourage.

If you are happy to show your support for us, all you need to do is print and sign your name on the sheet provided. You are welcome to add your company or organisation name and provide a comment (hopefully also supportive) if you wish to do so.

John.Bergant

Chair ICW