

WHITELEE FOREST LMP

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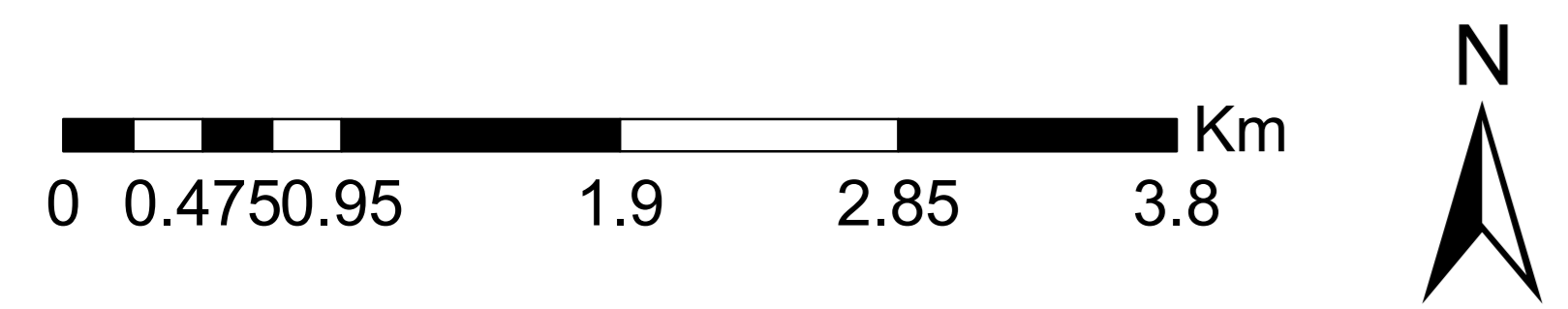
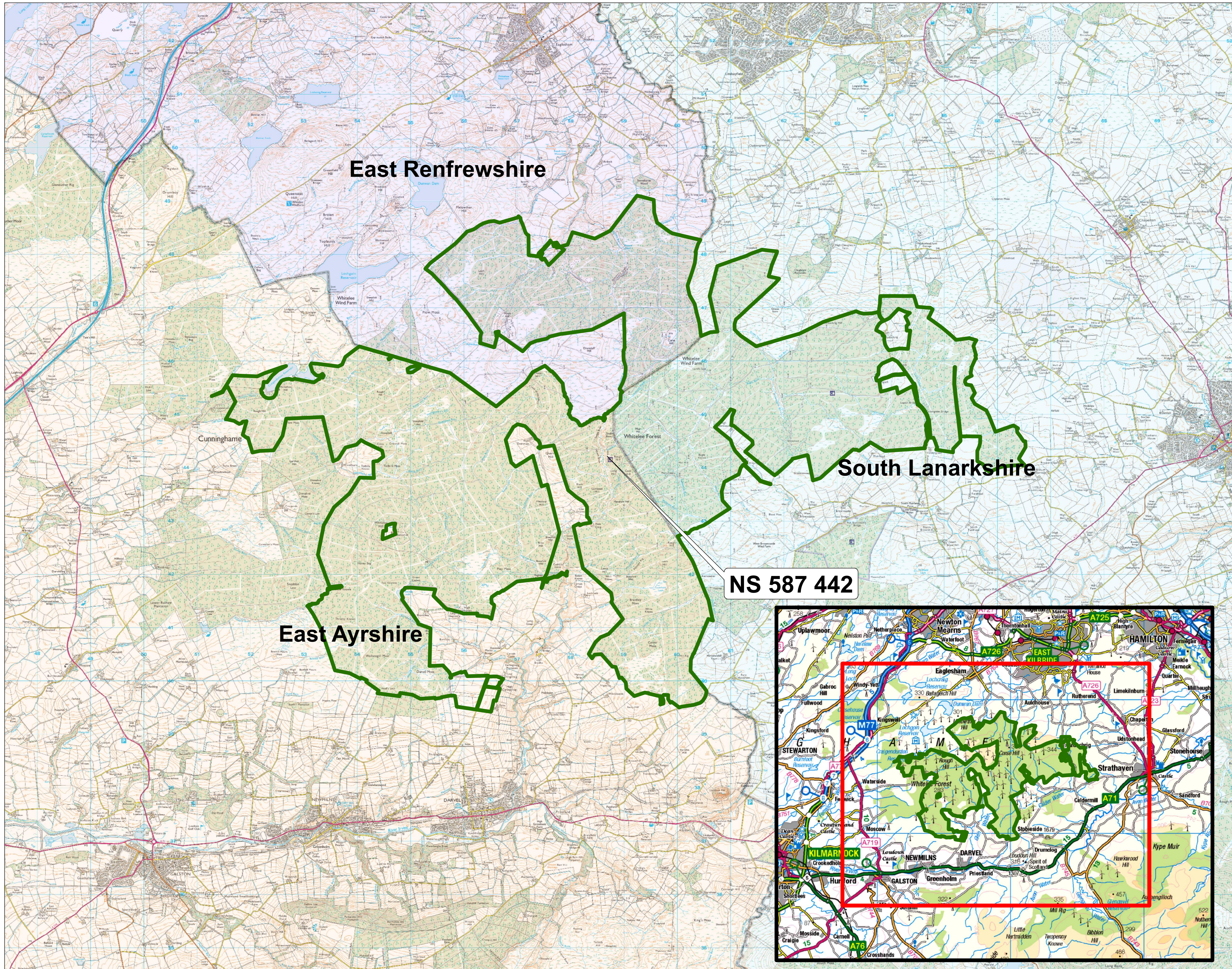
 Whitelee Forest

Local Authority

 East Ayrshire

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SETTING & CONTEXT

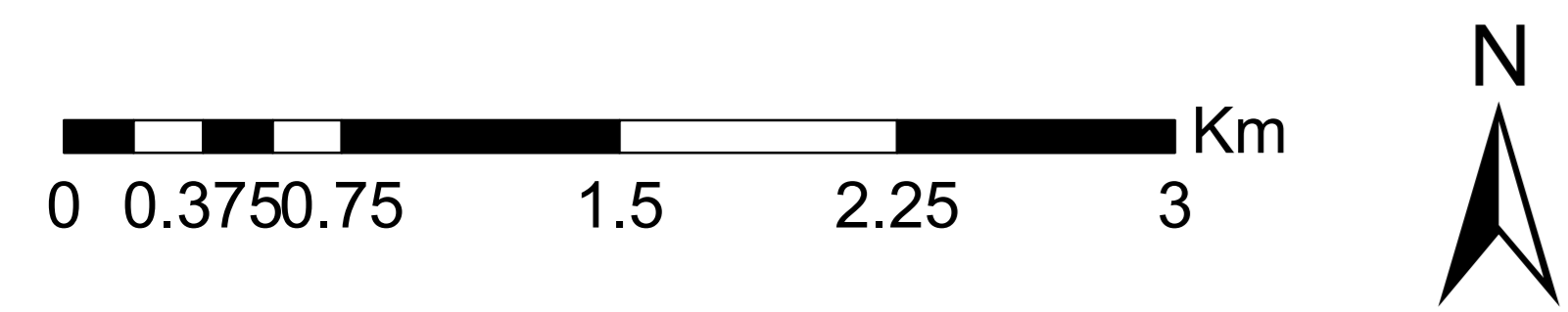
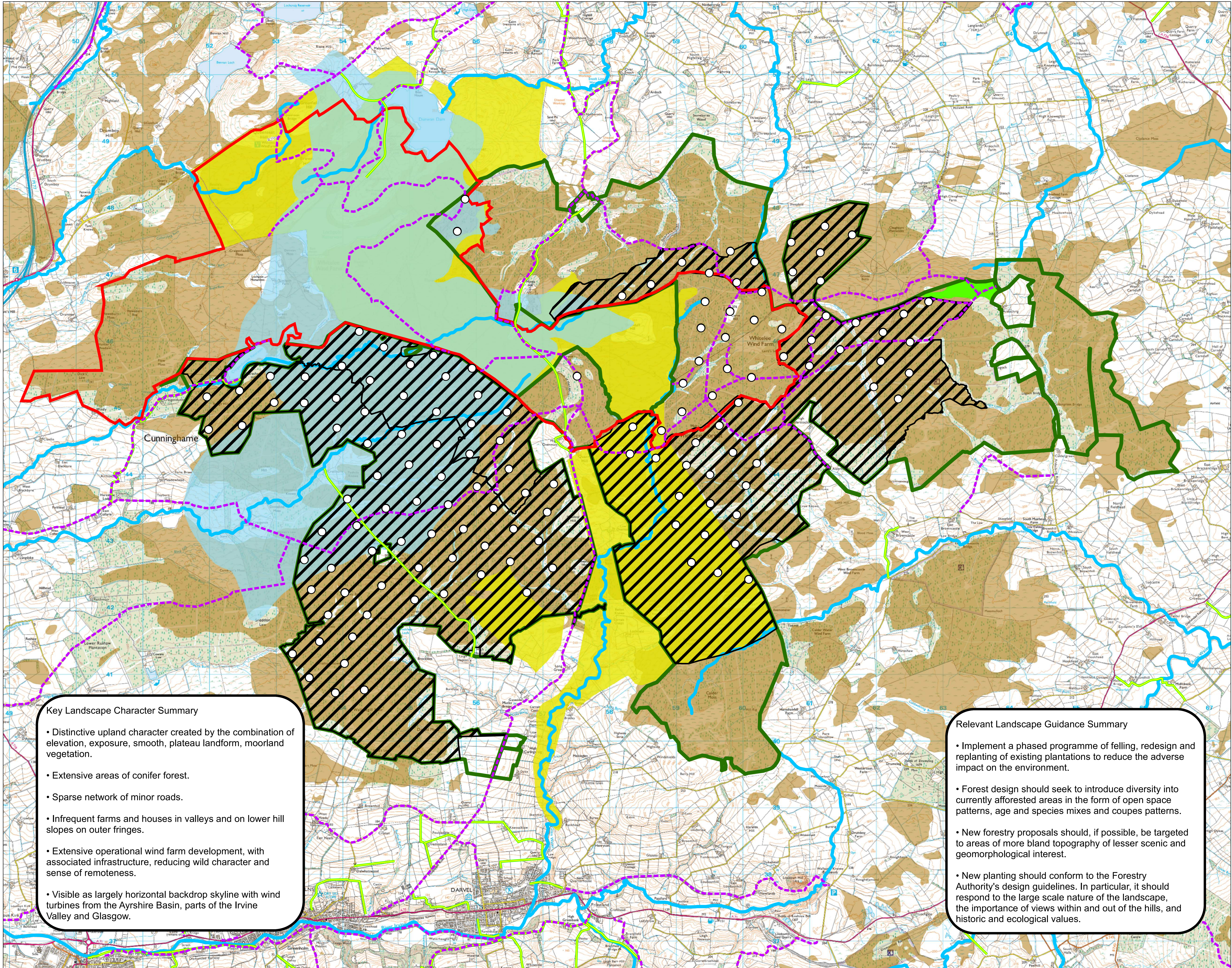
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Legend

-  Whitelee Forest
-  Habitat Management Area
-  Short Rotation Forestry Area
-  BGS - Peatland
-  Water Catchment Area
-  Ancient Woodland - Long Established (of plantation origin)
-  Local Nature Conservation Site
-  SEPA - River
-  Core Path
-  Public Right of Way
-  Wind Turbine



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Key Landscape Character Summary

- Distinctive upland character created by the combination of elevation, exposure, smooth, plateau landform, moorland vegetation.
- Extensive areas of conifer forest.
- Sparse network of minor roads.
- Infrequent farms and houses in valleys and on lower hill slopes on outer fringes.
- Extensive operational wind farm development, with associated infrastructure, reducing wild character and sense of remoteness.
- Visible as largely horizontal backdrop skyline with wind turbines from the Ayrshire Basin, parts of the Irvine Valley and Glasgow.

Relevant Landscape Guidance Summary

- Implement a phased programme of felling, redesign and replanting of existing plantations to reduce the adverse impact on the environment.
- Forest design should seek to introduce diversity into currently afforested areas in the form of open space patterns, age and species mixes and coupes patterns.
- New forestry proposals should, if possible, be targeted to areas of more bland topography of lesser scenic and geomorphological interest.
- New planting should conform to the Forestry Authority's design guidelines. In particular, it should respond to the large scale nature of the landscape, the importance of views within and out of the hills, and historic and ecological values.