

## Inglismaldie and Denlethen: **LMP Summary**

The Inglismaldie and Denlethen Land Management Plan (LMP) area is made up of three separate blocks, all of which lie adjacent to the A90 trunk road, between Aberdeen and Dundee, and close to the town of Laurencekirk. Together they cover approximately 337 hectares.

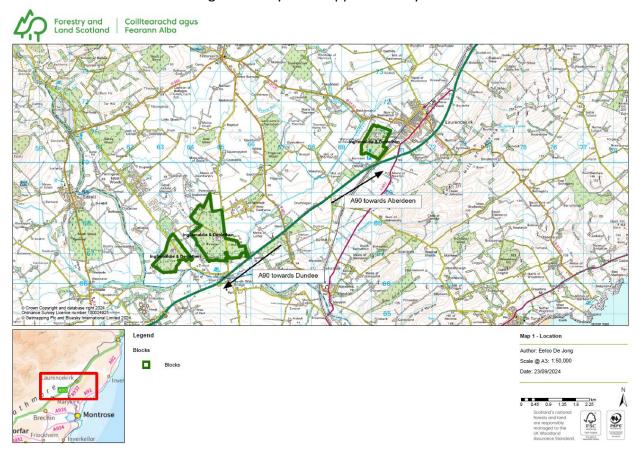


Figure 1: Inglismaldie and Denlethen forest block location.

Analysis of the available information has led to the following objectives for the Inglismaldie and Denlethen LMP area.

## **Management Objectives**

**Objective 1:** Maximise recovery of windblown crops.

Indicator of objective being met: Areas with significant windblow are harvested in Phase 1.

**Objective 2:** Maximise area of continuous cover forestry (CCF).

Indicator of objective being met: Wherever areas can be transformed to CCF detailed prescriptions will be provided to achieve this. Any restock will be done assuming the area will eventually be managed under CCF systems.

**Objective 3:** Diversify species to enhance resilience and increase environmental and amenity value.

Indicator of objective being met: Improved species diversity by the end of the plan period with a higher proportion native broadleaved species.

**Objective 4:** Protect and enhance scheduled monuments (SM).

Indicator of objective being met: Open ground in SM area is maintained, when felling adjacent to SM takes place, restock enhances the setting of the SM.

**Objective 5:** Protect key infrastructure and ensure resilience.

Indicator of objective being met: Felling and restocking proposals ensure the long-term resilience near key infrastructure (powerlines, gas pipelines, roads and trainlines).

The proposed management operations that will result from the objectives are summarised in Table 1.

Table 1: proposed management operations 2025-2035

Proposed Operations	2025 – 2035	
Clearfell	57.02 ha	
Thinning	336 ha (gross)	
Restock	67.16	

Felling within the Durris LMP area includes 83.3ha of deforestation for Blanket Bog peatland restoration.

As a result of our objectives, tree species and the area they cover will change over the next 10 years (2024 – 2034) and is summarised in Table 2.

Table 2: change in species composition over the next 10 years (2025 - 2035).

Species	Area (ha)	% Cover	Area (ha)	% Cover
Species Scots pine	<b>2025</b> 59.8	<b>2025</b> 18%	<b>2035</b> 85.5	<b>2035</b> 25%
Scots pine	33.0	1070	05.5	2370
Sitka spruce	59.6	18%	62.4	19%
Norway spruce	6.1	2%	37.9	11%
Other/Mixed conifer	9.2	3%	2.2	1%
Birch	64.4	19%	65.7	20%
Other/Mixed broadleaves	4.1	1%	32.5	10%
Open ground	15.4	5%	15.5	5%
Fallow	117.9	36%	34.8	10%
Total	336.5	100	336.5	100