


Glenrickard Land Management Plan

Map 3: Analysis and Concept Map


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Legend

 Scheduled Monument

Paths


 Core Paths


 Rec - Walking


 Forest Roads


 Special Protection Area (SPA) and Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSIs)

Key objectives per zone:

 Core timber production areas


 High visitor numbers / landscape considerations

 Woodland fringe habitat (transitional zone)

 Biodiversity Enhancement Zone: variety of species and structures, mostly native broadleaves

 Open hillside / moors

Land Management Plan Areas

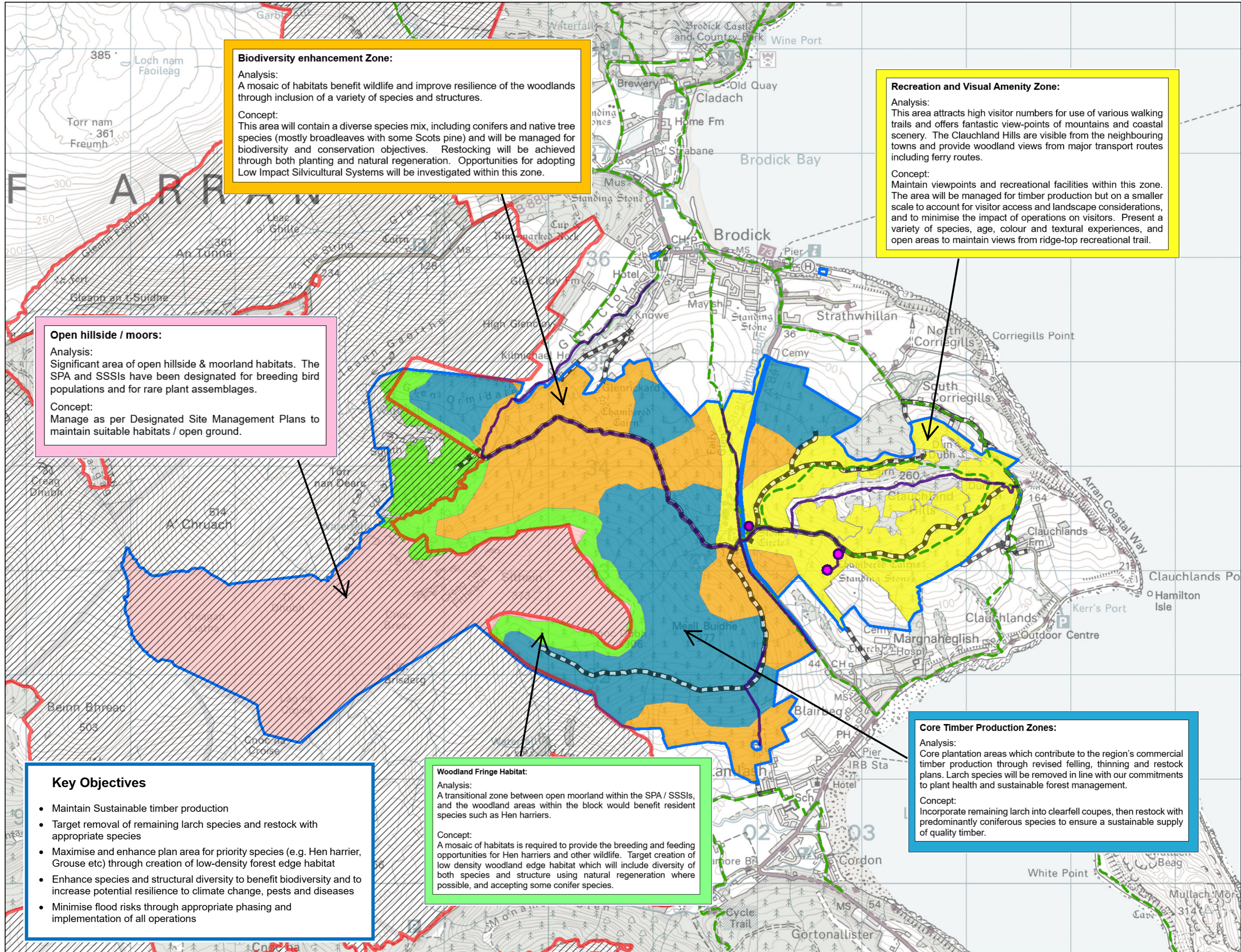
 Glenrickard Forest Block

0 0.15 0.3 0.6 0.9 1.2 km



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Key Objectives

- Maintain Sustainable timber production
- Target removal of remaining larch species and restock with appropriate species
- Maximise and enhance plan area for priority species (e.g. Hen harrier, Grouse etc) through creation of low-density forest edge habitat
- Enhance species and structural diversity to benefit biodiversity and to increase potential resilience to climate change, pests and diseases
- Minimise flood risks through appropriate phasing and implementation of all operations

Woodland Fringe Habitat:

**Analysis:**  
A transitional zone between open moorland within the SPA / SSSIs, and the woodland areas within the block would benefit resident species such as Hen harriers.

**Concept:**  
A mosaic of habitats is required to provide the breeding and feeding opportunities for Hen harriers and other wildlife. Target creation of low density woodland edge habitat which will include diversity of both species and structure using natural regeneration where possible, and accepting some conifer species.

Core Timber Production Zones:

**Analysis:**  
Core plantation areas which contribute to the region's commercial timber production through revised felling, thinning and restock plans. Larch species will be removed in line with our commitments to plant health and sustainable forest management.

**Concept:**  
Incorporate remaining larch into clearfell coupes, then restock with predominantly coniferous species to ensure a sustainable supply of quality timber.