












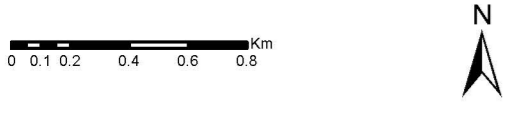


Drummond Hill Issues

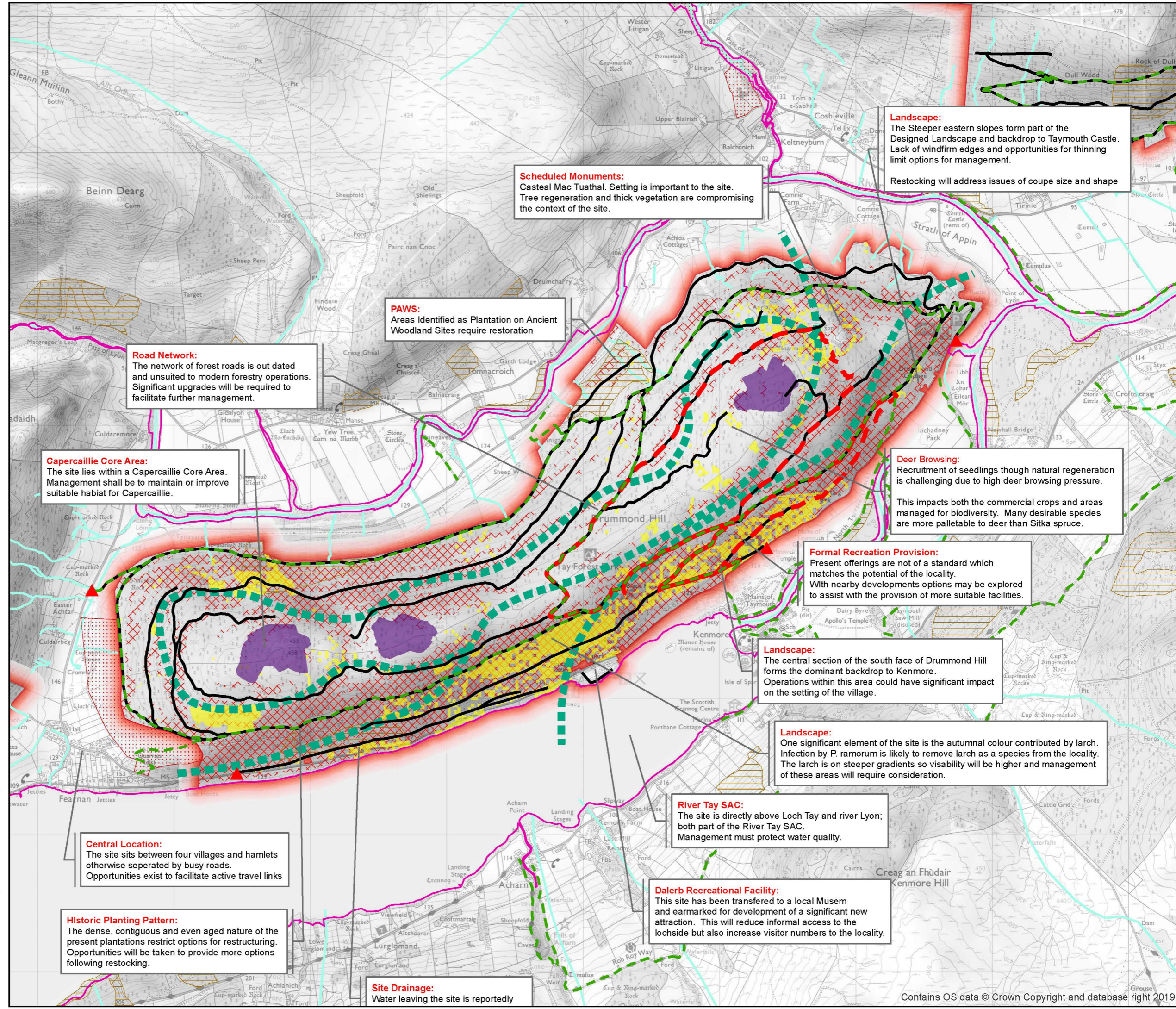
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Legend

-  Access
-  Forest Roads
-  Core Paths
-  FLS Recreation Route
-  Watercourses
-  Zones
-  Scotlands Forests and Lands
-  Larch
-  Special Areas of Conservation
-  Sites of Special Scientific Interest
-  Plantations on Ancient Woodland Sites (PAWS)
-  Natural Reserve
-  Over 35 degree slope



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Landscape:
 The Steeper eastern slopes form part of the Designed Landscape and backdrop to Taymouth Castle. Lack of windfirm edges and opportunities for thinning limit options for management.
 Restocking will address issues of coupe size and shape

Scheduled Monuments:
 Casteal Mac Tuathal. Setting is important to the site. Tree regeneration and thick vegetation are compromising the context of the site.

PAWS:
 Areas Identified as Plantation on Ancient Woodland Sites require restoration

Road Network:
 The network of forest roads is out dated and unsuited to modern forestry operations. Significant upgrades will be required to facilitate further management.

Capercaillie Core Area:
 The site lies within a Capercaillie Core Area. Management shall be to maintain or improve suitable habitat for Capercaillie.

Deer Browsing:
 Recruitment of seedlings though natural regeneration is challenging due to high deer browsing pressure.
 This impacts both the commercial crops and areas managed for biodiversity. Many desirable species are more palatable to deer than Sitka spruce.

Formal Recreation Provision:
 Present offerings are not of a standard which matches the potential of the locality. With nearby developments options may be explored to assist with the provision of more suitable facilities.

Landscape:
 The central section of the south face of Drummond Hill forms the dominant backdrop to Kenmore. Operations within this area could have significant impact on the setting of the village.

Landscape:
 One significant element of the site is the autumnal colour contributed by larch. Infection by *P. ramorum* is likely to remove larch as a species from the locality. The larch is on steeper gradients so visibility will be higher and management of these areas will require consideration.

River Tay SAC:
 The site is directly above Loch Tay and river Lyon; both part of the River Tay SAC. Management must protect water quality.

Central Location:
 The site sits between four villages and hamlets otherwise separated by busy roads. Opportunities exist to facilitate active travel links

Historic Planting Pattern:
 The dense, contiguous and even aged nature of the present plantations restrict options for restructuring. Opportunities will be taken to provide more options following restocking.

Dalerb Recreational Facility:
 This site has been transferred to a local Museum and earmarked for development of a significant new attraction. This will reduce informal access to the lochside but also increase visitor numbers to the locality.

Site Drainage:
 Water leaving the site is reportedly