

ASSET TRANSFER UNDER THE COMMUNITY EMPOWERMENT ACT

Forestry and Land Scotland -**Community Asset Transfer Scheme**

DECISION NOTICE – AGREED

To: Balquhidder, Lochearnhead and Strathyre Community Trust Strathyre Village Hall Strathyre Callander FK18 8NA

Forestry and Land Scotland Estates Development Bothwell House Caird Park Hamilton ML3 0QA

Leona Wilkie Our ref: 20-21-05NWIP **Head of Acquisitions & Disposals**

17 June 2021

This Decision Notice relates to the asset transfer request made by Balquhidder, Lochearnhead and Strathyre Community Trust (BLS Trust) on 12 March 2021 in relation to 1.89 hectares of land know as Broch Field, Strathyre shown on the plan annexed, "the disposal area".

Forestry and Land Scotland has decided to agree to the request.

The reasons for this decision are as follows:

- The site is a valued and much loved community space, used for many years as a "village" green" for local events, as well as a place for families and children to play
- FLS identified the site for potential disposal and invited the community to note interest in acquiring the site in 21 June 2018
- Ownership of the site, in the middle of Strathyre, will allow the BLS Trust to manage development of community, recreation and visitor facilities in line with the community's aims and objectives

Loss of public access to the site would have a significant impact on income for the BLS
Trust and local businesses.

The attached document specifies the terms and conditions subject to which we would be prepared to **transfer ownership** of the land to you. If you wish to proceed, you must submit an offer to us at the address above by 20 December 2021. The offer must reflect the terms and conditions attached, and may include such other reasonable terms and conditions as are necessary or expedient to secure the transfer within a reasonable time.

Right to appeal

If you consider that the terms and conditions attached differ to a significant extent from those specified in your request, you may appeal to the Scottish Ministers.

Any appeal must be made in writing by 14 July 2021, which is 20 working days from the date of this notice, to:

Community Land Team

D Spur

Saughton House

Broomhouse Drive

Edinburgh

EH11 3XD

Email: <u>CRTB@gov.scot</u>

Guidance on making an appeal is available at www.gov.scot/policies/community-empowerment/asset-transfer/.