

Beattock land management plan key features map

The key features map identifies key features within or close to the plan area that should be considered in developing the plan. The list is not exhaustive, and consultees are encouraged to highlight any additional features for consideration.

Featured identified on the map are:

A major transport corridor in the valley below the plan area, which includes the M74 motorway and main west coast railway.

A 400-kilovolt overhead power line that runs within the plan boundary, parallel to the M74.

A national grid gas pipeline that runs northwest to southeast through the plan area.

Private water supplies in or close to the plan area.

Daer Reservoir catchment that overlaps the western boundary of the plan area.

Numerous riparian zones associated with the many burns in the forest that form the basis for conservation area networks throughout the forest.

Although no longer designated a stronghold, the forest provides important habitat for red squirrels.

Several fragments of ancient woodland including some designated as Plantation on Ancient Woodland.

The plan area is important for Schedule 1 raptors.

Three schedule monuments: Blacklaw Tower, Garpol Water (Motte and Bailey), and Kinnelhead Cottage (cairn).

Many unscheduled heritage features are distributed throughout the plan area.

Highly visible slopes above the motorway corridor.

Attractive woodland around Auchencastle has diverse age structure and tree species.

Local Landscape Areas in surrounding hills (but not within the plan area): Leadhills and Lowther Hills, Thornhill Uplands, and Moffat Hills.

Earshaig Lochans car park, trail and picnic site managed by Dumfries and Galloway Council.

The Southern Upland Way and Romans and Reivers both pass through the forest.

The Annandale Way passes near the forest.