Beinn Bhan Land Management Plan 2018 - 2028 Summary of Proposals

The Beinn Bhan Land Management Plan area lies about 3km west of the village of Kinlochard in Stirling. Covering an area of 1050ha it sits under the shadow of Ben Lomond in the heart of the Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park. The summit of Beinn Bhan, at 569m is part of the south east ridge of Ben Lomond and is the highest point in the plan area. The lowest point is where the Bruach Caorainn Burn meets the Duchray Water at about 125m. To the south and east is Loch Ard Forest and Beinn Bhan is at the northern edge of the Queen Elizabeth Forest Park. To the north and west lies rugged, open ground associated with Ben Lomond. The woodlands fall within the scope of the Strathard Initiative, a partnership between local communities and several agencies whose aim is to deliver a number of ecosystem services through collaborative planning and practical land management.

Total Plan Area	1050ha
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Species breakdown	Current	End of the plan period
Sitka spruce	32.9%	32.0%
Lodgepole pine	3.8%	2.9%
Norway spruce	3.6%	1.2%
Scots pine	2.8%	2.9%
Native broadleaves	3.1%	12.7%
Other conifers	1.4%	2.6%
Larch	1.3%	0.9%
Open space	51.1%	44.8%

Planned operations	
Felling	102.1ha.
Thinning	n/a
Restock	68.3ha of conifer; 33.7ha of broadleaf.
New planting	None.
Road construction	No new roads will be required.
Road upgrade	Some upgrading will be required. This will be within the footprint of
	existing roads.

Significant environment/ Conservation features	
Designated sites	Approximately 220ha of the Ben Lomond SSSI is within the LMP area.
Vulnerable species populations	Several protected birds of prey nest in, or use, the plan area. Black grouse are known to occur. Red squirrels are also present.
A listed buildings	None.
Minimum intervention & natural reserve	n/a

Consultation and Further Information

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including meetings with the local community and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact:

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