

Lesmoir Land Management Plan Summary

Lesmoir is 63 ha of farm land acquired by Forestry Commission Scotland (FCS) in 2011 in an open market sale. The site is located in a rural area of Rhynie and is located close to the existing Forestry Commission managed forest of Clashindarroch.

Lesmoir is mainly surrounded by fields, pasturelands and other open areas. It is adjacent to the A941 road that serves a handful of farms and residential properties. This road links Rhynie and Dufftown. It is also located at the bottom of the Tap O'Noth which is a well-known local walking area.

Analysis of the available information has led to the **primary objectives** for this site which are:

- 1. To grow a quality timber crop, either conifer or broadleaf, where appropriate;
- **2.** To increase the area of woodland cover using broadleaves where appropriate and to grow these productively where conditions allow.

Additional **secondary objectives** for the future management of Lesmoir have been identified and prioritised:

- **1.** Integrate sensitively the new plantation in the landscape.
- **2.** Establish new riparian broadleaved woodland that will mitigate the effects of diffuse pollution into the river Deveron while retaining access for fishing interests.

63 ha

Species breakdown	
Primary species: Sessile oak	35%
Secondary species: Silver birch	29%
Other broadleaves	25%
Open	11%

Significant Environment/	
Conservation Features	
Scheduled monument	Gallows hill cairn

Consultation and Further Information:

During the development of this plan we have consulted publically including local community representatives and stakeholders known to have an interest in this plan area. For further information on the plan please contact Antoine Le Pretre, Planning Forester, Forestry Commission Scotland on 07833 482007 or antoine.lepretre@forestry.gsi.gov.uk

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