

Corranbuie & Skipness Land Management Plan Summary

Corranbuie & Skipness LMP was approved on 30-1-12017 and runs for 10 years.

Vision

Corranbuie and Skipness are two adjoining forests, see map 1 Location, lying immediately to the south of the village of Tarbert on Loch Fyne, linked by open hill land rising to over 350m at the highest point. Loch Fyne forms the majority of the eastern boundary while the western area is adjacent to elevated heath and private forestry plantations. Tarbert and Skipness are the closest settlements and the nearest transport link is the A83T which links Tarbert with Campbeltown. Ferry routes run close by from Tarbert to Portavadie, Claonaig to Arran and Kennacraig to Islay. Tarbert is an important tourist hub, with access provision into the forest from the village. The Kintyre Way runs through the forest. The eastern coastal strip is noted for its designated Atlantic oakwoods. The total combined management area is 2996.8ha.

The primary objectives for the plan area are

- Economic and sustainable timber production, including windblow clearance.
- PAWS restoration.
- Development of habitat networks.
- Landscape improvement.
- Enhancement and protection of Tarbert to Skipness Coast SSSI and Tarbert Woods SAC.
- Construction of new forest roads.
- Enhancement of the Kintyre Way.
- Protection and enhancement water features and water supplies.
- Delivery of Deep Peat policy outcomes
- Contribution to renewables targets through hydro-scheme construction.
- Protection and enhancement of cultural heritage assets.
- To comply with UKWAS guidance for certification.
- Species diversification or change in response to the Climate Change agenda and plant health issues.



Total Plan Area	2996.8 hectares (ha)

Summary of Land Management Plan Proposals

	2017		2026	
SPECIES	AREA (ha)	%	AREA (ha)	%
Sitka spruce	1439.4	70	1188.7	59
Norway spruce	15.9	1	54.2	3
Lodgepole pine	60.9	3	56.0	3
Mixed conifer	0.9	-	16.8	1
Douglas fir	2.6	-	2.6	-
Noble fir	0.4	-	4.9	-
Western hemlock	-	-	1.0	-
Western red cedar	-	-	12.6	1
Scots pine	4.3	-	4.6	-
Larch	24.6	1	9.6	1
Oak	140.1	7	140.1	7
Birch	58.6	3	58.6	3
Native Broadleaves	47.3	2	129.2	6
Sycamore	-	-	5.0	-
Failed	32.6	2	-	-
Internal open space	221.7	11	347.4	16
SUB-TOTALS	2049.3	100	2031.3	100



Planned Operations	2017- 2026 plan period
Felling	462.8ha
Restocking	432.7ha
Road construction	1.3km
Significant Environment / Conservation Features	
Designated sites (see map 4)	Various areas
Minimum Intervention (see map 9)	222.94ha
Natural Reserve (see map 9)	227.95ha
PAWs restoration	6.5ha

Critical Success Factors:

- 462ha Felling
- 432.7ha Restocking
- 6.5ha PAWs restoration
- 1.3km New road

Consultation and Further Information:

Council area: Argyll & Bute council

Community council: Tarbert & Skipness Community Council

Consultation: Public consultation June 2016

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Location Map

