

Issue (include date and raised by)	Applicant's Response	FCS Comments	Agreed Mitigation	Status (Open, Closed)	Significance of Impact (High, Medium, Low)
Population & Human Health					
<p>Access: A & B Council Community Council</p> <p>Direct Neighbours: Torr Cottage Mr & Mrs Price</p>	<p>Initial consultation identified issues with regards the access due to the current route leading through Rhu</p>		<p>Current plan is to continue to use this route for access. Consultation will be sought from local council before, and during, operations to ensure works are carried out safely.</p> <p>Initial works will have limited impact on the community as small number of journeys required for initial works.</p> <p>No issue over planting, concern raised over access route due to historical issue with A & B council regarding road upgrade. This has been resolved and would be keen to ensure road remains in good condition</p>	<p>Open</p> <p>Closed</p>	<p>High</p> <p>Medium</p>
Biodiversity					
<p>Birds: RSPB</p>	<p>Initial consultation indicated that due to the size/location of the site there may be an issue with black grouse and raptors</p>		<p>Agreed to black grouse and raptor vantage point survey with RSPB.</p> <p>Recommendations to plant over existing leks and improve edge habitat for grouse in future using native broadleaves</p> <p>Although raptor survey identified Hen harrier & Merlin using the site it was not viewed as a breeding site, so no restrictions were raised for planting</p>	<p>Closed</p> <p>Closed</p>	<p>Medium</p> <p>Low</p>

<p>Vegetation: Scottish Forestry (due diligence)</p>	<p>Concern raised with regards the vegetation type on site</p>		<p>Advise ground prep is carried out with the breeding season to avoid disturbance.</p> <p>Survey carried out over the site with no concern raised. The report assesses the conservational importance of the habitats on site and while there are a number noted, including acid/neutral/marshy grassland, dwarf heath, wet modified big etc, they are largely identified as being of low species richness, modified by grazing and should not pose a constraint to planting.</p>	<p>Closed</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Land</p>					
<p>Soil</p>					
<p>Deep Peat: Scottish Forestry (due diligence)</p>	<p>Concern over areas of deep peat on site, areas >50cm to be removed from proposal area.</p>		<p>A survey of the site revealed peat on site with these areas removed from the planting design</p>	<p>Closed</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Water</p>					
<p>GWDTE: Scottish Forestry (due diligence)</p>	<p>Concern raised over possible GWDTE on site</p>		<p>While the survey identified GWDTE's across site they are of low species richness, evenness and distinctiveness and as result pose no constraint to planting</p>	<p>Closed</p>	<p>Medium</p>
<p>Air</p>					
<p>Climate</p>					

Material Assets					
Cultural Heritage					
Archaeology: Scottish Forestry (due diligence)	Concern raised over risk of previously unrecorded archaeological remains being damaged.		Survey undertaken across the entire site with remains identified along with proposed mitigation. These areas have been removed from the planting area.	Closed	Low / Medium
Landscape					
Designation: Argyll & Bute Council	Information received from A & B Council over Aldownick Glen LNCS on site.		Initial contact with the council indicates the site is designated for the wooded glen and geology. Main concern on site is the small burns, which have been left unplanted. Council have indicated they will leave the decision to SF on the planting of the site.	Open	Medium
Forest Design: Scottish Forestry (due diligence)	Areas to the south, below the crags, are visually prominent.		A diverse range of species will be used across this location including commercial and native species to create a visually diverse mix. Forest edges will mimic natural design and move away from hard, straight lines.	Closed	Low/Medium
Landscape Analysis: Scottish Forestry (due diligence)	Concern raised over the visual impact on the landscape from a large scheme.		In depth analysis from agreed viewpoints has been carried out. Information provided separately.	Open	Medium