



## Scotland's Garden & Landscape Heritage

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For the attention of Neil McFarlane

Dear Mr McFarlane,

**Bolfracks and Taymouth Castle**  
**21FGS59469 Bolfracks Estate Woodland Creation**

Thank you for consulting Scotland's Garden and Landscape Heritage on the above Forestry Grant Scheme application which may impact on Bolfracks and Taymouth Castle designed landscapes, both of which are included in the Inventory of Gardens and Designed Landscapes in Scotland by Historic Environment Scotland and therefore assessed as having National Significance.

We have studied the information submitted in support of the application and consider that, as the larger blocks proposed for woodland creation – Pylon and Upper Farrochil south and south-east of Bolfracks are located approximately 500m uphill of the designed landscape boundary, there is likely to be minimal impact on the designed landscapes and we have no further comments to add.

The smaller areas of woodland creation, Fort Lodge & Queens Drive, and Styx both lie east-south-east of Bolfracks, immediately south of the A827 and are included within the Taymouth Castle designed landscape boundary. Study of on-line historic map sources, Roy's Military Survey of 1750 and the First and Second Editions of the Ordnance Survey dated 1861 and 1899 indicates that the planting structure in these general areas appears to have changed over the 20<sup>th</sup> century with some former parkland becoming infilled whilst woodland cover in other areas has decreased. However, we are satisfied that current proposals and species selections would have no negative impact on the historic layout and fit well with the existing structure.

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We confirm we have no further comments about these areas of proposed woodland creation within Bolfracks Estates.

Yours sincerely,

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