



Scotland's Garden & Landscape Heritage

Forestry Commission Scotland
South Scotland Conservancy
Weavers Court
Forest Mill
Selkirk TD7 5NY

For the attention of Velda Weir

1 April 2022

Dear Ms Weir,

FPA8863 Corsehope

Thank you for consulting Scotland's Garden and Landscape Heritage on the above Felling Permission Application for clear-felling and thinning in compartments around Corsehope Farm, approximately 1 km south of Borthwick Hall.

In general, we welcome the clear felling of Sitka Spruce following the damage caused by Storm Arwen and restocking with Scots Pine, Beech, Silver Birch, Sycamore, and Oak as improvements within the overall landscape. However, we consider that owing to the distance and topography, any impact on Borthwick Hall is likely to be temporary and minimal. With the exception of the northern section of the Zigzag Wood, which first appears on the Second Edition Ordnance Survey of 1892, the compartments appear to have been planted as individual agricultural shelterbelts in the 20th century and do not form any part of any overall historic designed landscape.

We confirm we have no further comments to add.

Yours sincerely,

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