Scotland's Garden & Landscape Heritage

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Dear Sir/Madam,

22FGS66106 Arbigland

Scotland's Garden and Landscape Heritage is grateful to be included in the above Forestry Grant Scheme consultation, the site of which includes Arbigland designed landscape. Arbigland is included in the Inventory of Gardens and Designed Landscapes in Scotland and therefore assessed by Historic Environment Scotland to be of National significance. The Inventory accords Arbigland Outstanding Scenic value for the contribution of the woodlands to the local landscape. In addition, the established woodlands are accorded High Nature Conservation Value.

We have studied the Long Term Forest Plan and note that one of the Primary Management Objectives is that of enhancing the designed landscape. In particular, we welcome the continuation and increase in areas of LISS management to reduce visual impact and the retention of large and veteran trees in the three compartments, 3, 10b and 14b, of mixed conifer and broadleaf woodland which are to be felled and restructured.

We confirm we have no further comments to add.

Yours sincerely,

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