



LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: A9, Carbrook Mains

CPH / GIS reference: LV28

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland Hill Fringes / Farmed valley sides, southern Carse of Forth

Key characteristics:

A mainly large scale landscape with undulating landform and areas of woodland, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Improved screening of views of the proposed (and existing) overhead transmission lines as these approach the A9 from the east (in particular) in the Carbrook Mains area.

Enhancement of the local landscape character in the area to the south of Plean.

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Roadside planting of hedgerow and hedgerow tree species (both sides of the road).

Precise extent / length of area to be planted to be determined on site, having regard for existing field boundaries and access points / visibility sightlines.

Hedgerow tree species:

Ash

Hedgerow shrub species: (mix of) hawthorn, blackthorn, elder, holly, hazel

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species



Longer term (year 6 onwards)

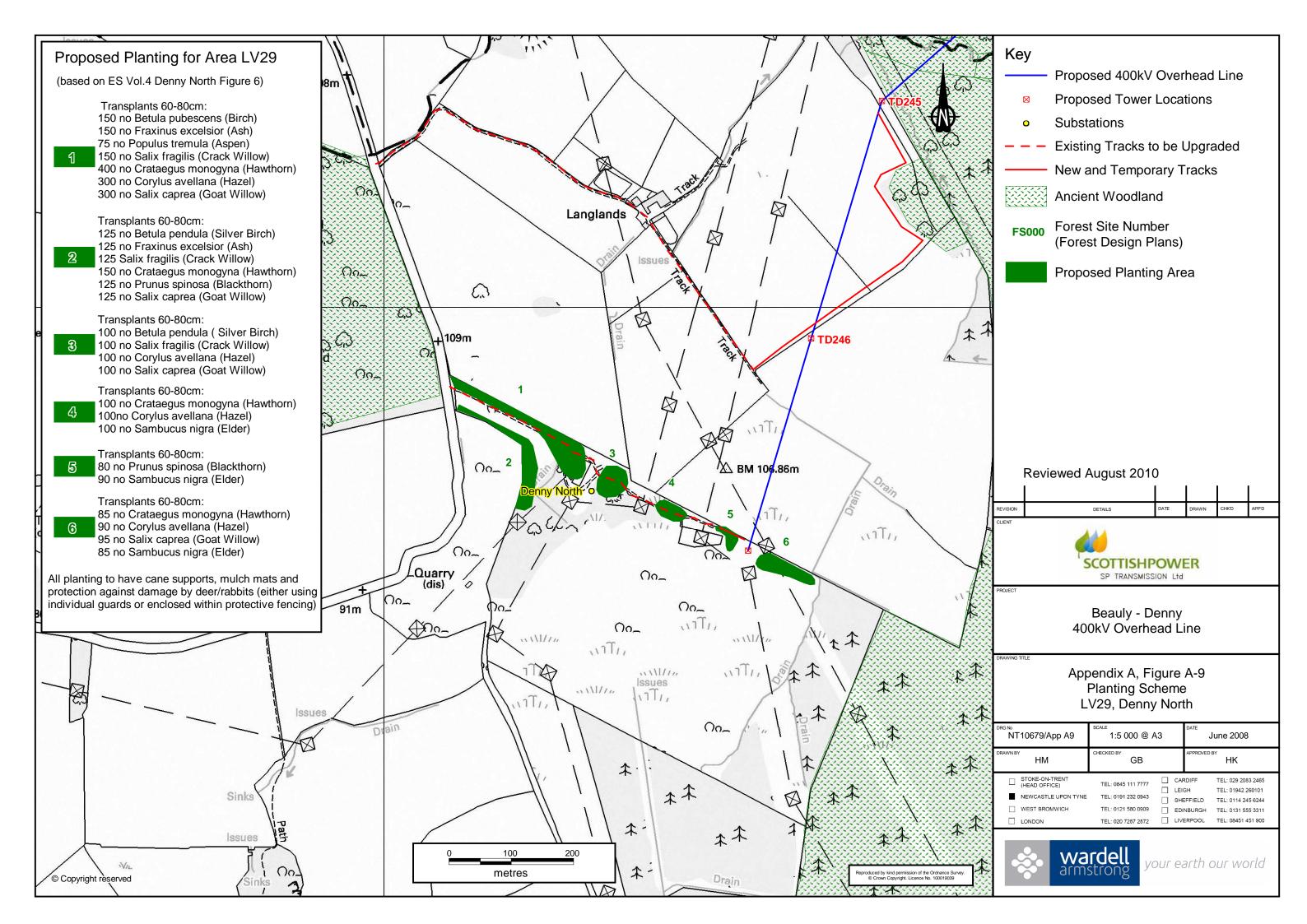
Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees (selected areas, not including areas where a dense screen is required)

Note also:

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV28, A9 Carbrook Mains (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: Denny North substation

CPH / GIS reference: LV29

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland Hill Fringes / Farmed valley sides, southern Carse of Forth

Key characteristics:

A mainly large scale landscape with undulating landform and areas of woodland, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Enhanced screening of the substation site

Enhancement of the local landscape character

Nature conservation benefits from the use of native / indigenous species

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Mix of native, largely broadleaved tree and scrub / shrub species planted in appropriate locations around the perimeter of the substation site.

Planting will require to have regard for the positioning of towers and conductors.

Tree species:

Ash, birch, crack willow, rowan, aspen

Shrub species:

Hawthorn, hazel, goat willow, elder, blackthorn

Maintenance regime:

Short term (years 1-5)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species



Longer term (year 6 onwards)

Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees and shrubs (selected areas, not including areas where a dense screen is required)

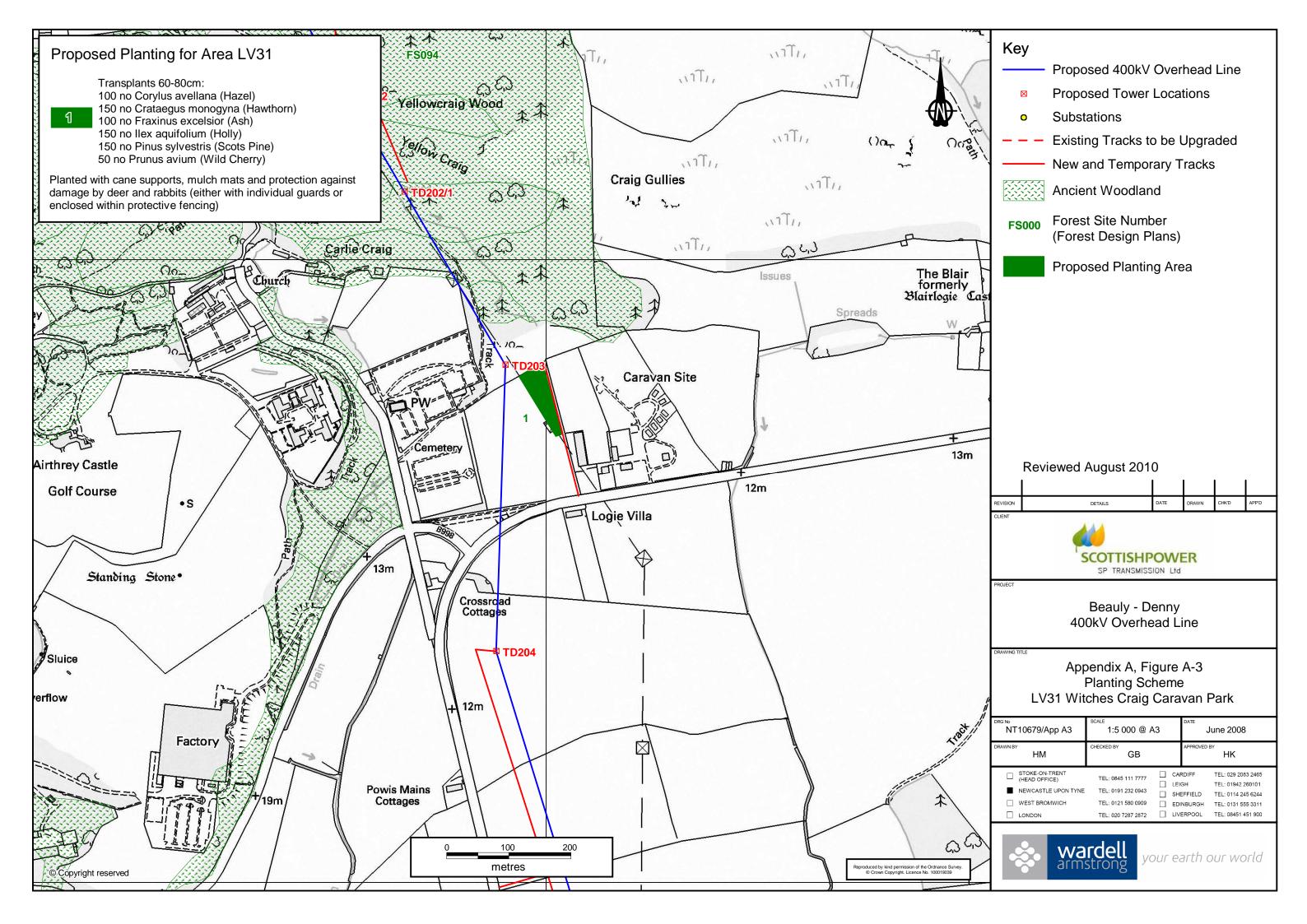
Note also:

Proximity to substation may constrain planting in some areas: to be checked in advance of works commencing on site and amendments made as required.

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV29, Denny North (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: Witches Craig Caravan Park, Logie

CPH / GIS reference: LV31

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland River Valleys (Central) / River valley floor, River Forth (East)

Key characteristics:

Large scale landscape with extensive views possible in many areas, tree cover mainly associated with larger farms and riverside planting, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Screening of the angle tower TD203 and of the proposed overhead line in the areas adjacent to the caravan park.

Broad description of the planting proposals:

The caravan park area is relatively open on its western edge with existing tree cover limited to that on the adjacent lower slopes of the Ochils.

Planting to be provided on the north-western edge of the caravan park area, extending south from the foot of the Ochils along the boundary edge of the caravan park. The planting should not extend so far south as to obscure views towards the Wallace Monument.

Tree species (from): Ash, gean, Scots pine, rowan

Shrub species (from): Hawthorn, hazel, blackthorn, holly

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species



Longer term (year 6 onwards)

Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees and scrub (selected areas, not including areas where a dense screen is required)

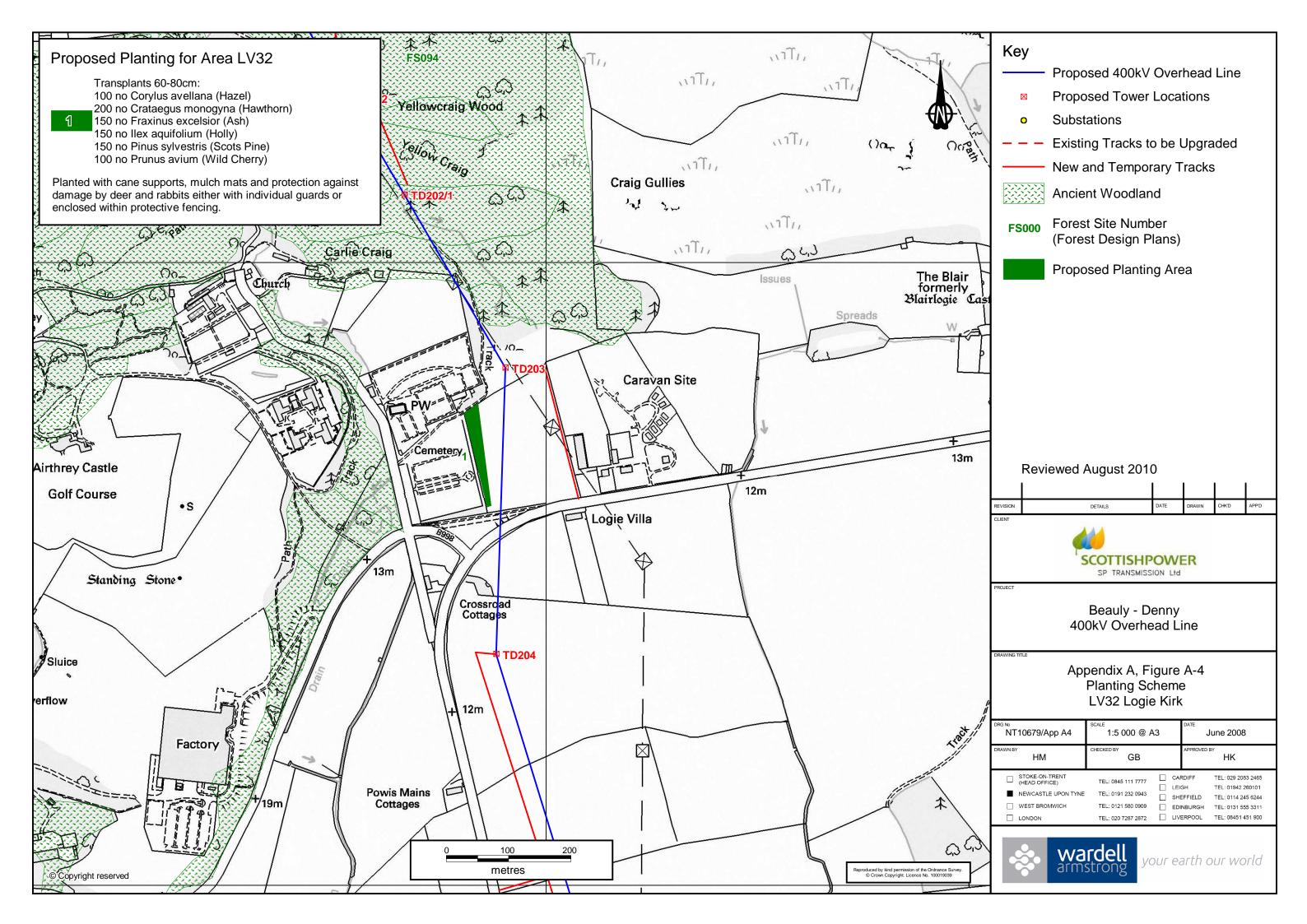
Note also:

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

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LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: Logie Kirk cemetery

CPH / GIS reference: LV32

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland River Valleys (Central) / River Valley Floor, River Forth

(East)

Key characteristics:

Large scale landscape with extensive views possible in many areas, tree cover mainly associated with larger farms and riverside planting, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Screening of the angle tower TD203 and of the proposed overhead line in the areas adjacent to the cemetery.

Broad description of the planting proposals:

The cemetery area already has some existing tree cover on the eastern side in addition to the existing tree cover on the lower slopes of the Ochils. Retention of the maximum amount of existing tree cover will be important in limiting the potential for adverse effects of the proposed overhead line.

Additional planting of native trees and scrub species, to reinforce the existing tree and scrub vegetation, in the area adjacent to the base of the tower and on the eastern edge of the cemetery area.

Tree species:

Ash, gean, Scots pine, rowan

Shrub species: Hawthorn, hazel, blackthorn, holly

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this



Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species

Longer term (year 6 onwards)

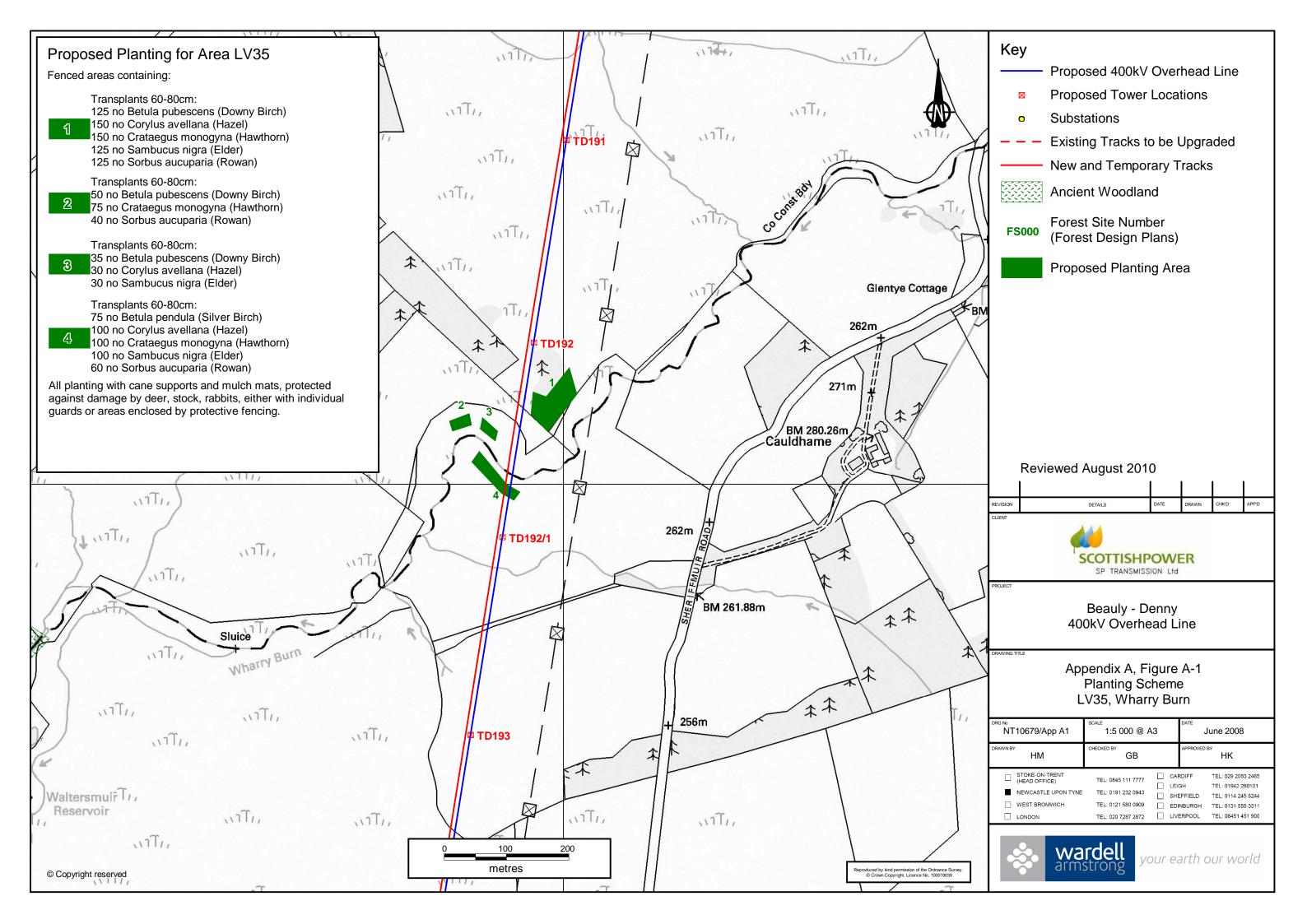
Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees (selected areas, not including areas where a dense screen is required)

Note also:

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV32, Logie Kirk (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: North and south of the Wharry Burn

CPH / GIS reference: LV35

Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland Hills (Central) / Lower forested slopes, Sheriffmuir

Key characteristics:

Primary function:

Large scale landscape with large blocks of conifers in places, extensive outward views from more open and elevated areas, low diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Integration of the proposed overhead line into the landscape.

Screening of the proposed overhead line from the area of the burn, as far as possible

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Planting of native trees and scrub in groups on areas of higher ground enclosing the burn, so as to limit the extent to which the proposed overhead line is visible from areas at a lower level, adjacent to the burn itself.

Tree species: Birch, rowan

Shrub species:

Hawthorn, hazel, elder

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species

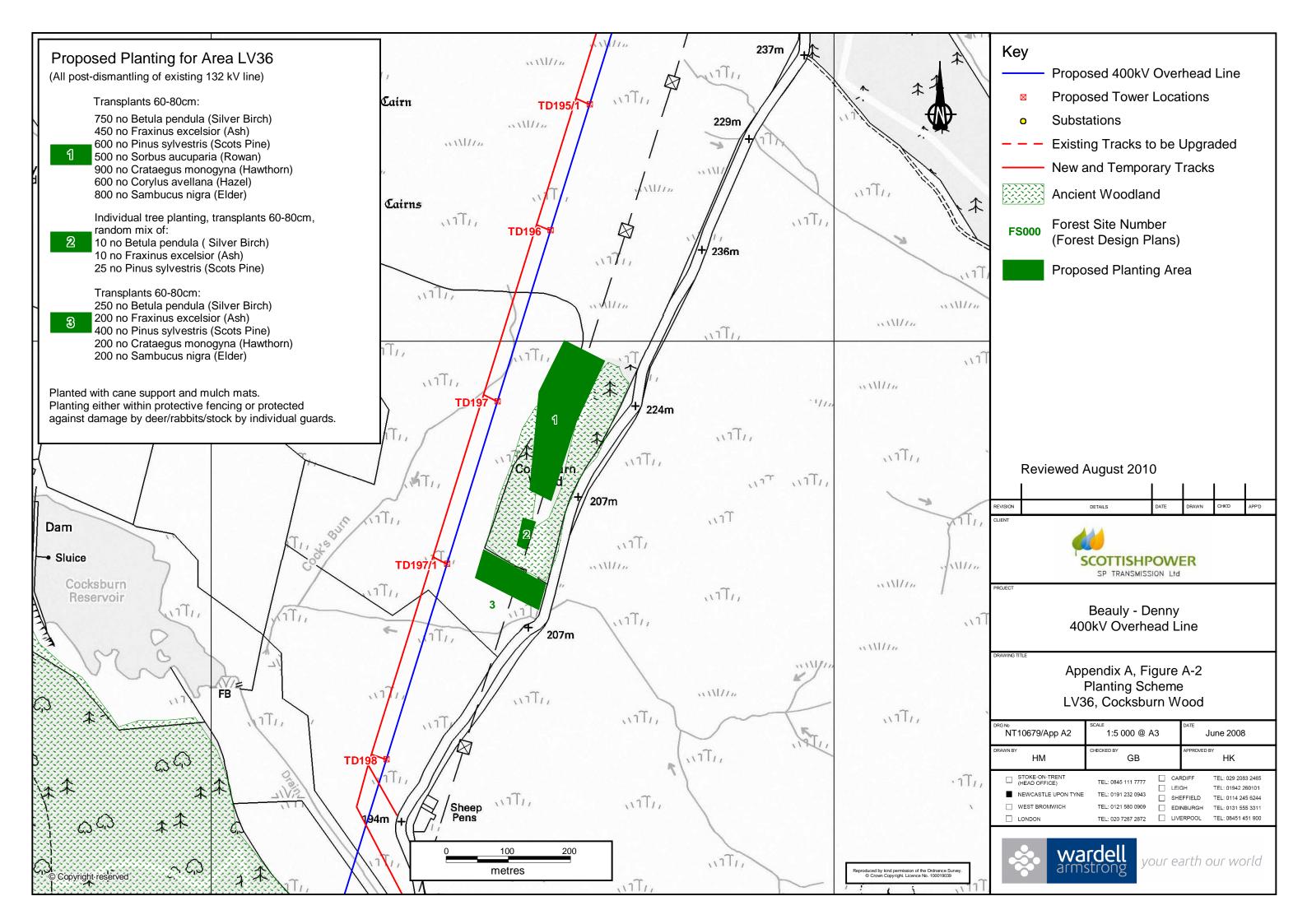


Longer term (year 6 onwards)

Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees and shrubs (selected areas, not including areas where a dense screen is required)

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV35, Wharry Burn (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: Cocksburn Wood, Sheriffmuir

CPH / GIS reference: LV36

Primary function: Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland Hills (Central) / Lower forested slopes, Sheriffmuir

Key characteristics:

Large scale landscape with large blocks of conifers in places, extensive outward views from

more open and elevated areas, low diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Integration of the proposed overhead line into the wider landscape

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Planting of native scrub and mainly broadleaved trees within the area of Cocksburn Wood, including within the corridor of the existing 132kV overhead line, post-dismantling.

Tree species:

Ash, birch, Scots pine, rowan

Scrub species (from):

Hawthorn, hazel, blackthorn, elder

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species

Longer term (year 6 onwards)

Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees and scrub



Note also:

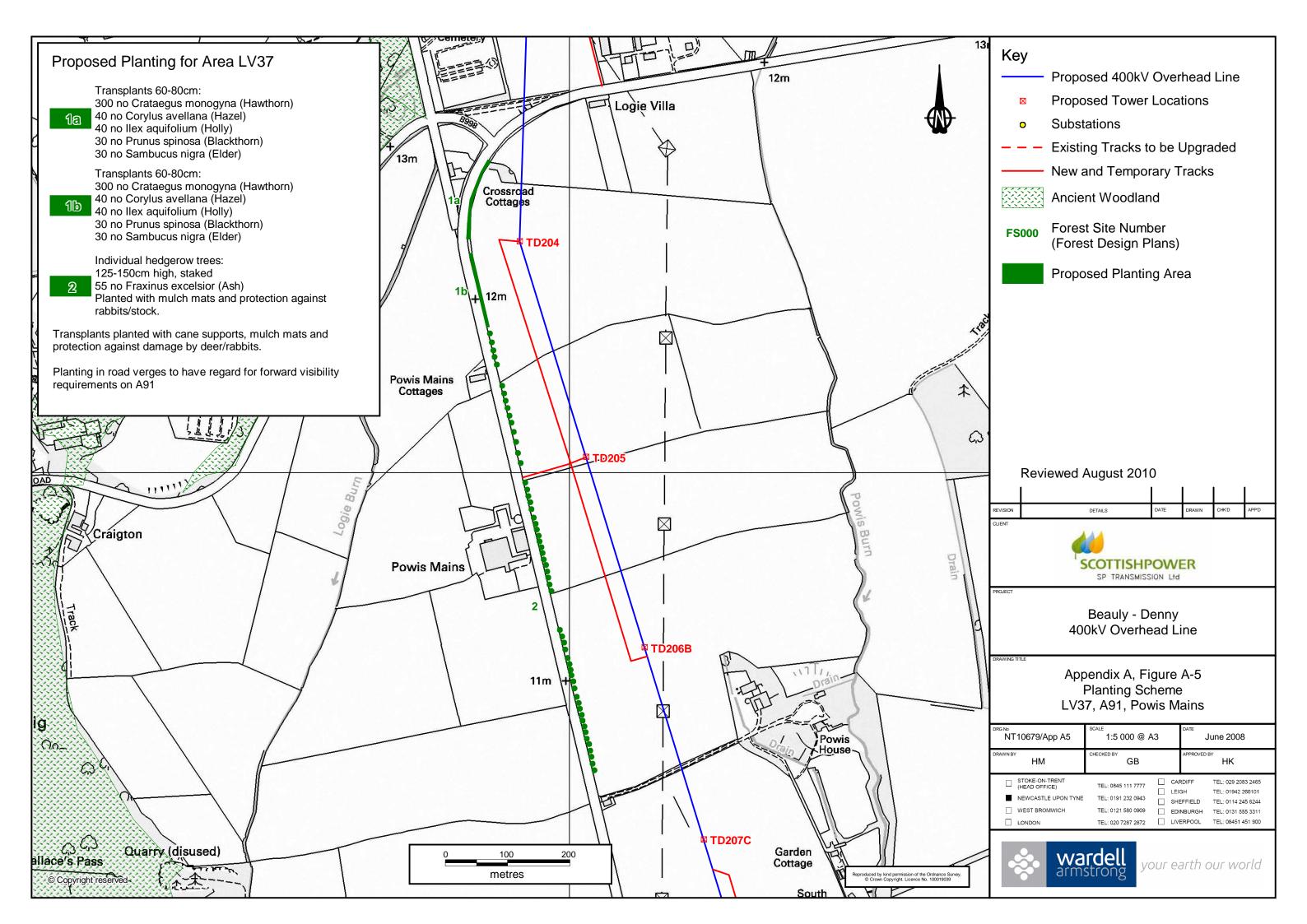
Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Potential to extend the area of car parking in order to provide a greater benefit to users of the local area.

Consideration to be given to developing an off road footpath from the car park area to the start of the Dumyat footpaths.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV36, Cocksburn Wood (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES - PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: A91, Logie to the A907

CPH / GIS reference: LV37

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland River Valleys (Central) / River valley floor, River Forth (East)

Key characteristics:

Large scale landscape with extensive views possible in many areas, tree cover mainly associated with larger farms and riverside planting, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Improved screening of views of the proposed overhead line for road users in the area between Logie and the A907.

Enhancement of the local landscape character.

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Additional roadside planting of hedgerow trees (within existing road / field boundary hedging) and hedgerow / hedgerow trees (where no hedging exists at present). Trees planted at intervals of 10-20m and more particularly in areas where towers will be sited.

Planting concentrated in the area between Logie Kirk and the A907 junction, on the eastern side of the road only.

Hedgerow trees:

Ash

Hedgerow shrub species:

Hawthorn dominant, with some elder, blackthorn, hazel and holly

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species



Longer term (year 6 onwards)

Regular pruning of hedge species to encourage a dense boundary edge to the road

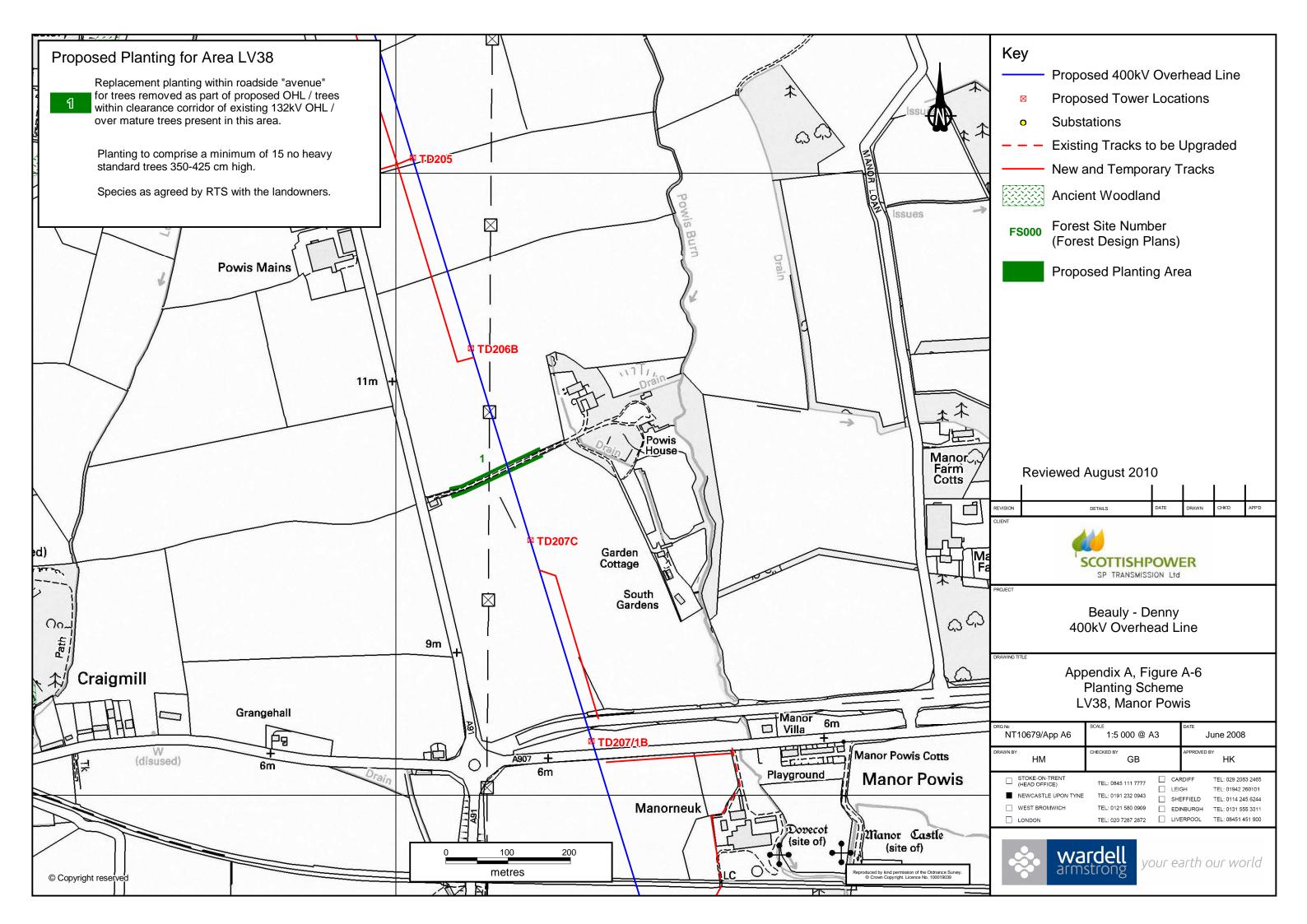
Pruning of trees to encourage a good shape / reduce any encroachment towards the carriageway

Note also:

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV37, A91, Powis Mains (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES – PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: Powis House

CPH / GIS reference: LV38

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland River Valleys (Central) / River Valley Floor, River Forth

(East)

Key characteristics:

Large scale landscape with extensive views possible in many areas, tree cover mainly associated with larger farms and riverside planting, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Enhancement of the existing 'avenue' of tree and hedge planting lining the access road to Powis House

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Planting of heavy standard trees and hedgerow species to make good gaps and provide long term replacement for existing over-mature trees.

Regard to be had for clearance requirements in the area where the proposed overhead line crosses this avenue.

Trees:

(as agreed with landowner in consultation with RTS)

Hedgerow shrubs:

(as agreed with landowner in consultation with RTS)

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species



Longer term (year 6 onwards)

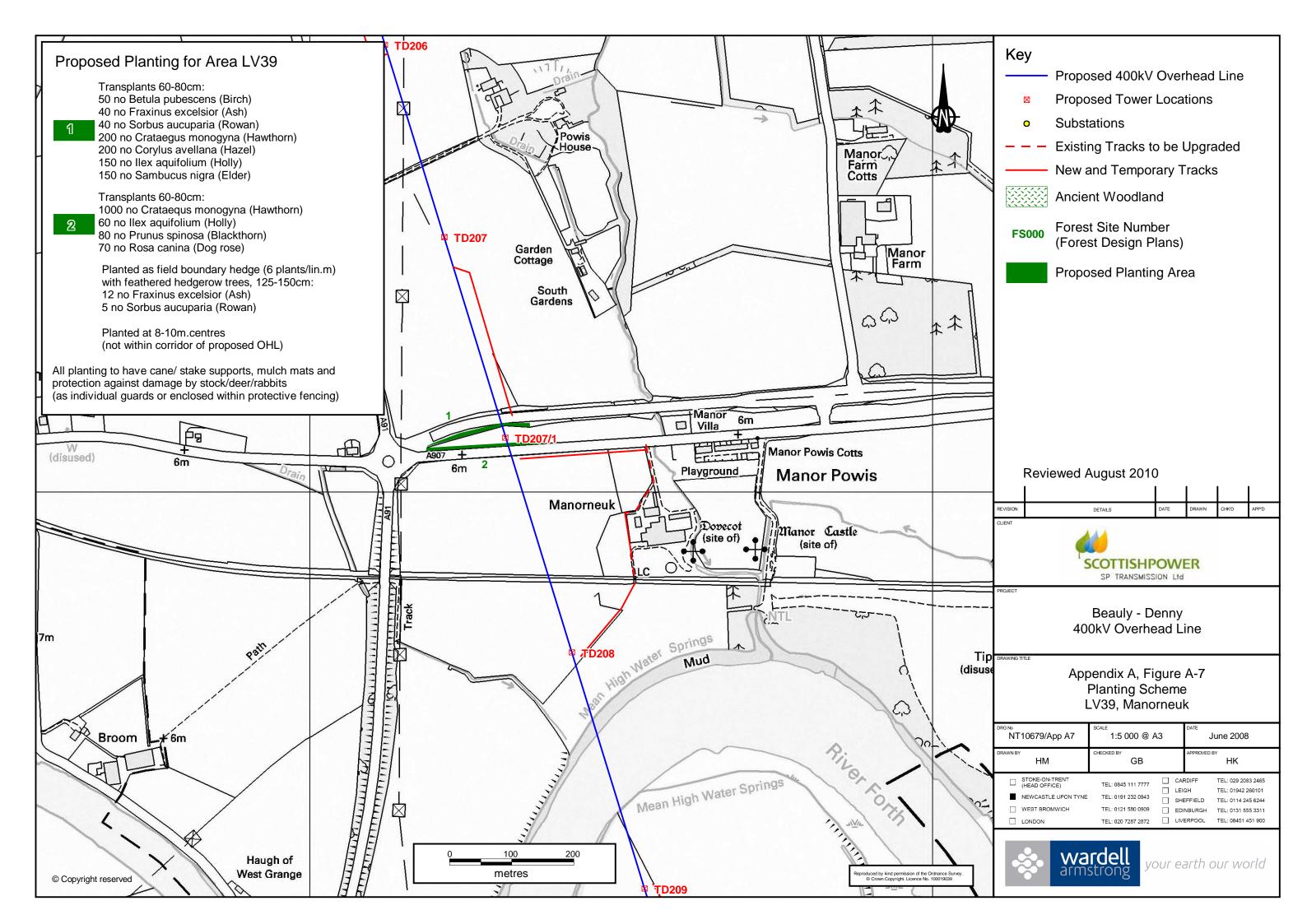
Pruning to permit proper establishment of trees and hedging

Note also:

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV38, Manor Powis (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.





LANDSCAPE MITIGATION MEASURES - PRELIMINARY DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSALS

Mitigation area: Manorneuk

CPH / GIS reference: LV39

Primary function: Visual screening

Visual amenity

Landscape integration

Secondary function: Nature conservation and biodiversity

Landscape character: Lowland River Valleys (Central) / River Valley Floor, River Forth

(East)

Key characteristics:

Large scale landscape with extensive views possible in many areas, tree cover mainly

associated with larger farms and riverside planting, moderate diversity.

Objectives of the planting proposals:

Screening of views of the adjacent tower TD207/1 from the roads to the immediate north and south of this tower and from Manorneuk.

Broad description of the planting proposals:

Additional roadside tree and shrub planting as an extension of the existing planting on the A907, together with new hedgerow shrub and tree planting on the southern edge of the field separating the existing and former road.

Extent and precise location of the planting subject to the agreement of the landowner in order not to adversely affect the agricultural use of the field. Planting locations to also have regard for clearance requirements beneath the proposed overhead line conductors and in the vicinity of TD207/1.

Tree species (from): Ash, alder, rowan, birch, gean

Shrub species (from): Hawthorn, hazel, blackthorn, elder, holly

Maintenance regime:

Short term (1-5 years)

Annual treatment of weed growth (chemical treatment)
Inspection of stakes, ties and guards and firming in of plants
Application of annual fertiliser or maintenance of mulch, as appropriate
Check security of perimeter fencing and / or other plant protection
Replacement of dead, dying or otherwise defective plants
Watering of plants if conditions require this
Pruning damaged branches or to manage growth of (for instance) hedgerow species



Longer term (year 6 onwards)

Thinning to permit proper establishment of trees and shrubs (selected areas, not including areas where a dense screen is required).

Regular pruning of hedging to maintain a dense form and encourage growth.

Note also:

Full utilities search to be undertaken prior to works commencing.

Sketch drawing of the proposals (or other source of plan information):

Planting Scheme LV39, Manorneuk (NT03494/0140) illustrates the above proposals.







A91, view north and north-east (south of the Logie roundabout), illustrating the proposed planting mitigation measure LV37 and the change in overhead line transmission in this area *Note: Towers and conductors as proposed are represented by a graphic model and are not true visual images*