

6.0 Tolerance Table

Due to the scale of woodland and the risk of wind blow the standard tolerances for clearance of wind blow have been adjusted:

	Adjustment to felling coupe boundaries (1)	Timing of regeneration	Timing of Restocking	Changes to species	Other	Windthrow (2)	clearance	Changes to road lines , tracks or paths (other CE activity)(3)
FC Approval normally not required	0.5 ha or 5% of coupe - whichever is less should there be formal consultation / register?	Up to 2 planting seasons after felling	Change within species group e.g. evergreen conifers; broadleaves			Up to 2ha		EIA Implications?
Approval by exchange of letters and map	0.5ha to 2ha or 10% of coupe - whichever is less should there be formal consultation / register?	After 5 years				2ha to 5ha		Additional felling of trees not agreed in plan
Approval by formal amendment	2ha or 10% of coupe should there be formal consultation / register?	Over 2 planting seasons after felling	Change from specified native species Change between species groups			> 7ha		Departures of >60m in either direction from centre line of road As above, depending on sensitivity

Notes on Tolerances Table

1. There are circumstances in which changes - of less than 0.5 ha for example - could have a dramatic visual effect. The above model does require a sensible approach to be taken by Forest Enterprise in notifying Forestry Commission when such cases arise. Local staff need to be sensitive to issues which may influence the situation (bearing in mind that small adjustments to felling coupes will not appear on the Public Register).
2. It is important that Forest Enterprise keep the FC informed about wind blow clearance, which can be problematic in cases of public complaint. In some cases a modification of the proposals for the remaining area of the Plan may need to be submitted and approved. Clearance of blow should not require approval but will be needed for related standing trees.
3. It is recognised that roading proposals as marked on Road Plans are necessarily indicative, in that actual roading operations require to take account of features not always apparent at the time of roading planning. Accordingly some leeway is acceptable to account for this.

Members of the public and other identified stakeholders were able to view the proposed plan and complete an on line survey which ran from 24/12/14 to 27/2/15. Certain organisations were invited to participate in the survey. In addition, posters giving details of how to participate were displayed at primary access points and also at the post office in Halwill junction. In total 109 people visited the website and 59 people viewed the plan, of these 9 people left responses.

Consultee	Issues Raised	Forest District Response to Issues
English Heritage (Andy Crabb)	A site meeting took place on 18/11/14. The Scheduled Monument sites were visited and existing plans reviewed.	Renew Scheduled Monument Plans in March 2015.
Environment Agency (Richard Knott)	No issues raised.	No response.
Natural England (Catherine Burgess)	Potential for Culm Grassland Restoration – with particular reference to Coupe 72662. Response to the on line survey is included in the summary overleaf.	Revisited coupe 72662 and determined that the published plan is consistent with current policy, meets FC obligations and provides an appropriate balance between meeting our environmental, economic and social objectives.
Butterfly Conservation (Caroline Kelly, Jenny Plackett)	A site meeting took place on 20/10/14 to look at relevant issues. In addition a response to the online consultation was received indicating general support. Response to the on line survey is included in the summary overleaf.	No response.
Devon Historic Environment Team (Bill Horner, Cressida Whitton)	A meeting took place on 10/12/14 to look at relevant issues. Details of agreed proposals are detailed in the text on p-8.	See page 8
Devon Wildlife Trust (Mark Elliot)	A meeting took place on 26/9/14 to look at relevant issues which have been incorporated into the plan.	No response.
Torridge District Council (Bruce Macfarlane)	No issues raised – response to the on line survey is included in the summary overleaf.	No response.
West Devon Borough Council (Georgina Brown)	No issues raised.	No response.
Clawton Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Ashwater Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Bradford & Cookbury Parish council	No issues raised.	No response.
Broadwoodwidger Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Halwill Parish Council	No issues raised – response to the on line survey is included in the summary overleaf.	No response.
Black Torrington Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Holsworthy Hamlets Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Germansweek Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Bratton Clovelly Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Beaworthy Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Northlew Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
Inwardleigh Parish Council	No issues raised.	No response.
1st Holsworthy scouts	No issues raised – response to the on line survey are included in the summary overleaf.	No response.