







**Bardon Mill Parish Council**  
**13<sup>th</sup> May 2025**  
**Draft Minutes**

Addendum:

The following questions were asked and answered after the meeting so do not form part of the minutes.

- What ground cultivation methods are planned - *We will look to use continuous mounding for the majority of the site. This will primarily be in the areas where we are planting conifers and where there are continuous areas of broadleaves, there will also be a component of hinge mounding where we want the planting to look less regimented / site conditions prevent continuous mounding. Flat planting will take place for the non-continuous areas of native broadleaves and in the more sensitive areas (I.e. around watercourses and utilities). Confirmation of how much of each cannot be given yet as we do not have a finalised species plan.*
- What herbicide regime is planned? *We are planning to use glyphosate spot spraying (with a knapsack) for maintenance operations where needed. We will also plan in the used of Propyzamide to control grasses should they become a problem. Cypermethrin may be used to control weevils (Hylobius) in areas on confier restock where felling of existing shelterbelts wooded areas takes place. Product labels will be followed, and dosage is usually lower than the maximum rate stated on the product label.*
- Will hares be controlled by shooting? Generally, or within fenced areas? *Whilst not the primary target for lethal control of pests on Site, Hare population will be controlled by our stalkers should they prove to be causing damage to the crop both within and outside the fenced areas.*
- Where deer fences cross public rights of way, what provisions will be made for access?  
*Multi-user self-closing gates as appropriate to the level of PROW will be installed. There will be no reduction in formal access to the site.*
- Many stiles and gates on public rights of way are in poor condition. While this is a County Council responsibility, their resources are limited, and the local community would appreciate if you would undertake to remove/improve stiles and gates on public rights of way within the property. Will you undertake to do so? *If you could provide a list of locations that are of particular concern, we will look into this for you.*
- While reserving opinions on the overall scheme, the community is strongly of the opinion that the southerly views from the road east of Thorngrafton should be preserved. This would require leaving the three fields immediately south of this road completely unplanted. Will you undertake to do this in your planting plans?  
*The proposal will be designed in line with UK Forestry Standard principles and under advisement of the Forestry Commission's Landscape Advisor. Unfortunately, we cannot commit to leaving 12 ha unplanted. My client would consider the sale of land at appropriate pricing should that be a prospect.*