# Glastir Woodland Creation Plan

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| **Customer Reference Number (CRN)**  | A0030700 |
| **Expression of Interest (EOI) Reference number**  | 7484157 |

1. **Property Details**

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| New woodland property name | Treffgarne Farm |
| Site Reference Number (SRN) |  |
| Contact Name | Mr Clive Davies | Status | Owner |
| Email | daviescp@hotmail.com | Contact Number | 07841 561973 |
| Do you have management control of the land? | Yes  |
| Management Planner | Neill Scott |
| Email | neillscott10@gmail.com | Contact Number | 07842 215855 |
| Agent Name and Company (If Applicable) |  |
| Email |  | Contact Number |  |
| Has planner carried out a site visit? | Yes  |
| GWC area (Hectares) | 2.4ha |
| Type of GWC planting mixture | Native Woodland Biodiversity |
| Six-figure Grid Reference for GWC area | SN150131 |
| Nearest town | Narberth |
| Local authority (new planting site) | Pembrokeshire |
| Is this a GWC co-operative plan | No  |
| Tick to declare you will apply for Woodland Carbon Code validation within 24 months of grant approval (mandatory for Native Carbon GWC woodland mixture) | Not Applicable |
| Do you intend to claim annual GWC maintenance payment? | Yes |
| Do you intend to claim annual GWC premium payment? | Yes  |

New planting areas in the following designations (Hectares) – only fill in areas if known:

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| **Designated Area** | **Area (ha)** |
| a. Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)/Proposed Site (PSSSI) | N/A |
| b. SSSI with Nature Conservation Order (Section 29 of Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981) | N/A |
| c. National Park | N/A |
| d. World Heritage Site | N/A |
| e. Scheduled Ancient Monument (SAM) | N/A |
| f. Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) | N/A |
| h. “Natural 2000” site *(e.g. special areas of conservation or special protection areas)* | N/A |

1. **Long term Vision and Objectives**

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| **Describe your long-term vision for the new planting** |
| **Creation of a native broadleaved woodland largely conforming to W10 lowland mixed broadleaved woodland. There will be a network of rides and open ground within the woodland to maximise the edge effect to benefit local bird and bat populations.** |
| **Set out the objectives for the new planting** |
| 1. | Improve amenity value of the farm holding |
| 2. | Expand tree cover to benefit fauna and flora |
| 3. | Provide firewood for farm use and a future timber resource for on-farm use or sale |
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1. **Potential impacts of new planting**

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| Sensitivities layer \* | Field Parcel Sheet and Field Number | Description of layer in new planting | How will the layer be dealt with ~~(~~in accordance with UKFS) | Is consultation required for this layer | How does the consultation response impact on the GWC plan |
| Watercourse adjacent to GWC001 | SN1513:0712 | Stream is 2-4m wide | No planting within 10m buffer | No |  |
| Watercourse adjacent to GWC001 | SN1513:3819 | Spring is seasonal. No running water in summer | No planting within 10m buffer  | No |  |
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\* Needs to include GWC GeoPDF layers, other potential sensitivities and other determining factors - public rights of way, wayleaves, rivers and lake

1. **Design of new planting**

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| **Brief description of new planting site** | Planting of two areas (2ha & 0.4ha) of improved grassland at 120m a.s.l. Brown earth soils. The larger area is steeply sloping with a westerly aspect and borders an existing mixed broadleaved/conifer woodland. The smaller area is a wet field edge.  |
| **Pre-planting ground preparation** | Pre-plant spot spraying with herbicide to provide weed free planting area. |
| **Design of new planting scheme** | Native Woodland – Biodiversity. Lowland Mixed Broadleaved Woodland W10. Group planting of individual species to allow for different growth rates. Rides & glades will be created through the woodland for the benefit of local bat & bird populations.  |
| **Type of planting stock and size of trees/shrubs** | Bare root transplants (1+1 or 1u1). Trees 30-50cm. |
| **Tree protection – what type of tree shelters/spiral guards will be used and why?** | No pests currently so individual tree protection unnecessary. However, spiral guards 50mm diameter and 60cm tall will be used to protect slower growing trees from rabbits, mice and voles if it becomes necessary. The guards will be supported by 90cm bamboo canes (12-14lb per 100). |
| **Fencing (livestock)** | Boundaries adjoining grazed fields will be stockfenced to the Glastir specification to protect the trees from animals. |
| **Deer protection (if an issue)** | N/A |
| **Open ground**  | There will be a network of rides through the planting with some small glades upto the maximum 15% of open ground allowed. Slower growing trees will be planted closer together to ensure the minimum stocking rate of 1,600 trees per hectare is exceeded. |
| **Is the new planting within an open access area?** | No |
| **Are standing trees present?** | There are standing trees around the Southern edge of both planting areas. New trees will not generally be planted under the canopy of existing trees. Trees will be planted at a narrower spacing to compensate for not planting under the drip line of existing edge trees. |
| **Timing of new planting** | The new woodland will be planted in January 2019. |

1. **Maintenance and monitoring of new planting site**

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| **Maintenance Operation** | **What needs to be maintained?** | **Who will maintain the new planting site?** | **When will the maintenance be undertaken?** |
| **Control of vegetation around trees** | Weed free area around each tree | Certified Contractor (Neill Scott) in line with UKFS | April-May annually for 4 years if necessary. Chemical use to be minimised. |
| **Tree replacement** | Minimum stocking density of 1,600/ha to be maintained for the duration of the GWC Contract | Contractor (Neill Scott) | Check in summer & replace any losses during the next planting season. |
| **Fencing** | Boundary fences to be maintained for the duration of the GWC Contract | Mr. Davies - owner | Fences will be checked weekly whenever stock are in the adjacent fields & repaired as necessary. |
| **Tree protection** | If guards are used need to be upright & weed free | Contractor (Neill Scott) | Each spring & after severe winds until guards are ready for removal. |
| **Removal of tree protection** | Any spiral guards will need to be removed before they restrict tree growth. | Contractor (Neill Scott) | Once trees are well established & no longer at risk from mammals – years 8-12 depending on growth rate. |
| **Rides and paths through wood** | Ride is too steep to mow. | Mr. Davies - owner | Occasionally strimmed if desired by owner. |

1. **Stakeholder engagement and public participation**

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| **Individual or Organisation** | **Connection to new planting****(i.e. neighbour, statutory consultee)** | **Method of communication****(i.e. event, letter, email, phone)** | **Date contacted** | **Date of Feedback** | **Their Response** | **Your Action** |
| Ty Cornel | Neighbour | Phone call | 08/04/2018 | 08/04/2018 | No issues raised | None required |
| Castell Hywel | Neighbour | Phone call | 08/04/2018 | 08/04/2018 | No issues raised | None required |
| Shipping Farm | Neighbour | Conversation  | 07/08/2018 | 07/08/2018 | No issues raised | None required |
| **Stakeholder Statement**Neighbours have no objection to the tree planting proposals.In landscape terms the areas to be planted are not visible from anywhere and there is no local informal access use of the land in this locale. There are no other interests in the land to be planted from third parties and there are no community groups in the area. |

1. **Plan of Operation**

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| **Cpt.****No.** | **Sheet Reference** | **Field Parcel** | **Map ID**(e.g.GWC 001) | **Capital Works Reference** | **Capital Works Number** | **Species****(include mapped open ground)** | **Species****%** | **Estimated Quantity** |
| **1** | **SN1513** | **0712** | **GWC001** | **Native Woodland Biodiversity** | **801** | **Sessile oak** | **25** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Downy birch** | **15** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Wild cherry** | **20** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Crab apple** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Rowan** | **10** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Alder** | **5** |  |
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| **1** | **SN1513** | **0712** | **GWC002** | **Fencing** | **595** |  |  | **396m** |
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| **1** | **SN1513** | **3819** | **GWC003** | **Native Woodland Biodiversity** | **801** | **Sessile oak** | **20** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Downy birch** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Wild cherry** | **20** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Crab apple** | **5** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Rowan** | **10** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Small-Leaved lime** | **20** |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  | **Hawthorn** | **10** |  |
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| **1** | **SN1513** | **3819** | **GWC004** | **Fencing** | **595** |  |  | **200m** |
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1. **Information required to support GWC plan verification**

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| **Documents** | **Attached: Yes / No** |
| Glastir Woodland Creation Plan | Yes |
| Map of planting area(s)  | Yes |

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| **Consents and Consultation responses** | **Provided: Yes / No / Not applicable** |
| Natural Resources Wales: consent within Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI)  | N/A |
| CADW: response within 100m of Scheduled Ancient Monument | N/A |
| Archaeological Trust consultation | Awaited |
| Additional documents e.g. ecological survey, community consultation  | N/A |
| Consultation responses e.g. National Parks and Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty over 2Ha | N/A |

**Failure to submit all required information at this stage could result in delays during the GWC plan verification process.**

**Declaration**

This must be signed by the main applicant. An agent may sign where they have been given authority to do so. Where an agent is signing this declaration, the agents must be registered with the Welsh Government to act on behalf of the applicant.

I confirm that all of the information contained in this Woodland Creation Plan is true, accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge and belief. I understand and accept that it is my responsibility to ensure that is the case. I confirm that if there is any change to the information I have provided I will notify the Welsh Government of the change within 10 working days. I accept that if a contract is awarded on the basis of outdated information, that contract may be withdrawn by the Welsh Government.

I confirm that I have management control of the land that is the subject of this Woodland Creation Plan. I am aware of, and have complied with, the conditions that apply to my application and the Woodland Creation Plan. I declare that I have read, understood and complied with all of the relevant guidance and information relating to Glastir Woodland Creation.

I undertake to keep for a period of 10 years from the date of the final payment, and to provide officers of the Welsh Government or their duly authorised agents, within such period as they may determine, such records and information as may be required in respect of this application and in order to determine my compliance with these declarations and undertakings. I agree to repay any aid received together with any interest, if I am asked to do so by the Welsh Government, as a consequence of a breach of any rule, declaration made or undertaking given in this application. I agree to repay, on demand, any overpayments made to me as a result of a miscalculation by the Welsh Government or otherwise.

I will allow duly authorised officers of the Welsh Government, or their duly authorised agents, access to any land or any woodland areas included in the Woodland Creation Plan in order to inspect the land, any relevant equipment, storage facilities and records (including computer records), and any other aspect of the land within the Woodland Creation Plan in order to verify the accuracy of the information in this application, and I will give them all reasonable assistance for that purpose.

I understand that if my application is successful, I will be required to enter into a Glastir Woodland Creation Contract and payment of any grant funding will be conditional on compliance with the terms of that contract. If I am offered a contract and do not enter into the agreement, or fulfil the terms of the contract I may be excluded form re-applying for Glastir Woodland Creation for the following two calendar years.

I understand that the use of an agent or Management Planner does not affect my personal responsibility for the accuracy of the information provided in this application, nor does it absolve me of responsibility to comply with the terms of any contract should my application be successful.

I understand that I must not commence project activity, before I have received written confirmation from the Welsh Government to do so. Any expenditure incurred before the approval date is at my own risk and may render the project ineligible for support.

I have read the Fair Processing Notice of the Glastir Woodland Creation Rules Booklet. I understand that the Welsh Ministers may share, publish or disclose information, including personal information, about my Glastir Woodland Creation application and Woodland Creation Plan with other organisations. I agree to any necessary disclosure or exchanges of information and this extends to the use of information which is created or obtained in connection with my application (including details of payments made to me/my business).

I understand that the publication and disclosure of information by the Welsh Government will be in accordance with the obligations and duties under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, the Data Protection Act 1998, the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 and Commission Regulation (EC) 908/2014. I understand that the Welsh Government may produce and publish maps showing the areas of land that have been brought into the agreements and other information provided may also be disclosed where permitted by law.

I understand that the Welsh Government may also obtain information about me from other organisations, or provide information about me to them, in order to verify the accuracy of the information, prevent or detect crime and protect public funds. These other organisations include government departments, local authorities and other bodies as appropriate.

I understand that any person who makes a false declaration or fails to notify the Welsh Government of a material change to the information set out in the Woodland Creation Plan may be liable to prosecution. A false, inaccurate or incomplete statement, or failure to notify the Welsh Government of any material changes to the information given in this Forest Management Plan, may result in termination of the contract and/or recovery of any payments.

I have disclosed details of all other management agreements or grants that I receive, or intend to apply for, that may raise the possibility of me receiving double funding.

I understand that European regulations (including controls) and the Welsh Government Rural Communities – Rural Development Programme for Wales 2014-202 may change from time to time. I accept that the Welsh Government may need to update rules and conditions to take into account any such change and I agree to abide by any changes following notification by the Welsh Government.

**Agent’s Declaration**

Where the application is submitted by an agent, I, the agent, confirm that:

(a) I have drawn the attention of the applicant to the conditions that apply to this application, including the Applicant’s Declarations set out above, and have informed the applicant that they are responsible for complying with the same; and

(b) I am authorised by the applicant to make the Applicant’s Declarations set out above on their behalf.

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| **Signed:** | C:\Users\Neill\Pictures\2015-04-08 Signature\Signature 002.jpg |  **Date:** | 18/05/2018 |
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| **Printed Name:** | Neill Scott |

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| **For Official Use Only**I confirm that this plan conforms to UK Forest Standard (UKFS) and Glastir Woodland Creation Scheme Rules, and Glastir Woodland objectives |
| Signed: | Date: |
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| If Plan cannot be approved, please provide details below |
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