

## Community

There is a diverse community around Glen Dye Moor.

We are renewing the lease with The Mountain Bothies Association for Charr Bothy to keep this facility open.

There is an area that is used for car parking near the bridge at Spittal Burn. This parking could be improved for vehicle access. This provides good access to Charr Bothy, Mount Battock and Clachnaben.

The Clachnaben paths are popular with users from the area and further afield. As well as maintaining the existing paths on the property, there is opportunities to encourage more and to spread existing footfall through waymarking over the west of the hill, towards Mount Battock. This could provide a route back to Spittal Bridge.

Glen Dye Moor is used by many Duke of Edinburgh parties. We aim to utilise this to help young people who travel through our site to learn a bit more about what we are doing and the environment around them.

We would like the opportunity to explore other opportunities, such as with Scout groups, about how we can engage people with our scheme.

The North of Scotland Gundog Association recently held field trials on the site. We hope that we can facilitate similar events in the future. The long-distance rifle range will be maintained for use.

We would welcome direct involvement with local community groups. For example, if a local group wanted to carry out some tree planting on the site.

This consultation exercise is reaching out to many groups with various interests. We would like to hear your views on what we can do.



## People

Forestry provides employment opportunities for forest managers, contractors such as fencers and planters, as well as long term opportunities such as timber harvesting. There is also supply chain opportunities, Aberdeenshire is fortunate to have several timber processing mills.

As well as the environmental benefits, peatland restoration provides opportunities for those implementing the work on the ground. This is both in the initial restoration but also the monitoring and any maintenance operations.

This project helps to create and safeguard employment directly and indirectly in Aberdeenshire for all parts of the supply chain.

A study carried out comparing forestry and hill farming found that forestry generated 11% more direct employment and 30% more total employment (direct and indirect) than agricultural use (on an equivalent land area) (*Eskdalemuir: A comparison of forestry and hill farming, CONFOR, 2014*).

This project also aims to support other sectors, such as tourism, through facilitating recreational access to Glen Dye Moor.

We would be happy to further discuss opportunities with interested parties.

## The Historic Environment

Whilst there are no scheduled monuments/archaeology at Glen Dye Moor there are sites of cultural importance. This includes old farmsteads and the plane crash wrecks.

As part of this project we have carried out an archaeological survey of the site. Features will be protected in line with best practice and the recommendations of the archaeological report.

The cairn at Cairn O'Mount and the Spitalburn Bridge are both scheduled monuments. These are near the Glen Dye Moor Boundary and will be taken into consideration through the design of this project.

We would be happy to hear about any historic or cultural information about Glen Dye Moor.



This photo shows a ruined Hawker Audax Mk. 1. Flight K7376 from No 8 Training School Montrose crashed in Glen Dye on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1939 – both crew survived.

There are several plane crash sites on Glen Dye Moor. These sites will be protected.