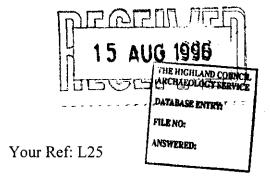
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Our Ref: AMH/5898/1/1

**9** August 1996

Dear Mr Leslie

ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979
APPLICATION FOR SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT: CAMORE WOOD
PREHISTORIC SETTLEMENT

I refer to your application for scheduled monument consent of 16 July to fell planted conifer trees on the monument and within 15m of the periphery of it. The trees are to be felled above ground level and cross cut to avoid damage and all timber and brash is to be cut into manageable pieces and removed back to 15m from monument at the above scheduled ancient monument.

In the terms of Part 1 of Schedule 1 to the Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Areas Act 1979, before determining whether or not to grant scheduled monument consent the Secretary of State must provide you with an opportunity to appear before and be heard by a person appointed for that purpose. This right to a hearing can also be extended to any other person whom the Secretary of State considers has an interest.

To enable you to decide whether or not to exercise your statutory right to a hearing, which would normally take the form of a public local inquiry, I can advise you that on the basis of the information at present available and the advice given to the Secretary of State, he is minded to grant scheduled monument consent subject to the undernoted conditions:

- 1. All trees that are to be felled shall be cut off above the level of the ground.
- 2. All tree stumps should be left in situ and poisoned to prevent regeneration.
- 3. Windblown root plates should be put back in their original position.
- 4. No machinery should be permitted onto the scheduled areas.

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5. All brash and cuttings that result from these operations should be removed from the scheduled areas and shall not be burnt within the area of the scheduled monuments.

Reasons: The reasons for the implementation of these conditions is to ensure that trees are felled or thinned in such a way that no disturbance is caused to the earthworks of the scheduled ancient monuments or to buried archaeological deposits within the scheduled areas.

If you wish to contest the above advice you may use your statutory right to a hearing as set out above. Any request for a hearing should be made within 28 days of the date of this letter. Alternatively, instead of a hearing you may wish to submit written representations in support of your application.

If I do not have a reply from you within 28 days either requesting a hearing or making representations, the Secretary of State shall proceed to a final determination of the matter and his decision will be notified to you.

A form of reply and a pre-paid self addressed envelope is enclosed for your use.

I must remind you that no works may be undertaken without a <u>formal</u> grant of scheduled monument consent.

Yours sincerely

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cc: Dr Bardwell, Monument Warden

Mr Wood, LA Archaeologist 🗸

Mr Hall, Area Inspector, Historic Scotland

Dr Hingley, Historic Scotland

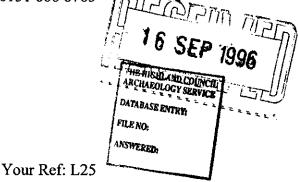
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You indicated that a hearing is not requested before the Secretary of State determines whether or not to grant scheduled monument consent.

The Secretary of State is satisfied that the works summarised above can be carried out without detriment to the historic, archaeological or architectural integrity of the monument. Accordingly, he hereby grants scheduled monument consent for the works outlined in the application dated 16 July.

Consent is granted subject to the undernoted conditions:

- 1. All trees that are to be felled shall be cut off above the level of the ground.
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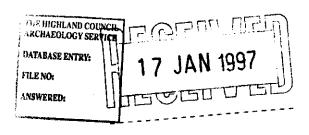
Dear Mr Leslie

## ANCIENT MONUMENTS AND ARCHAEOLOGICAL AREAS ACT 1979 APPLICATION FOR SCHEDULED MONUMENT CONSENT: CAMORE WOOD PREHISTORIC SETTLEMENT

I refer to my letter of 12 September granting scheduled monument consent on behalf of the Secretary of State subject to certain conditions to fell planted conifer trees on the above scheduled monument and within 15m of the periphery of it.

Please note that following a site meeting held on 9 January between representatives of Historic Scotland and the Forestry Commission condition 4 of the consent should be amended to read

"No machinery should be permitted onto the scheduled areas except in the instances of sites G and I (marked in yellow on the attached map) where, under supervision by Historic Scotland, a harvester may be permitted on to the periphery of the scheduled area. Machinery shall not be permitted, under any circumstances on the inner area(s) which will be marked out by representatives from Historic Scotland prior to this operation. Machine entry to the scheduled area will be restricted to the minimum required to remove accessible timbers and only on conditions when ground disturbance can be avoided (if necessary, brash matting or similar may be laid and subsequently removed)".





## Reason

The harvester is to be allowed on the site to retrieve felled, mature timbers which it cannot otherwise reach due to the larger scheduled areas of sites G and I.

Yours sincerely

Pamela Wood MRSPWOOD

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Ms Carver, Area Inspector, Historic Scotland

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