



Scottish
Forestry
Coilltearachd
na h-Alba

REGISTER OF INTERESTS

UPDATED 28 AUGUST 2023

NON-EXECUTIVE ADVISERS

Phil Taylor (Non-Executive)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Right There Organisation Ltd	Non-Executive Director	April 2022	Current

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
None	N/A	N/A	N/A

Any transactions with Scottish Forestry during 2022-23			
Description of transaction(s)	Aggregate amount of transactions for the year	Amount outstanding at 31 March 2023	Amounts written off during the year
None	N/A	N/A	N/A

Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Right There Organisation Ltd	Trustee	April 2022	N/A

Any other matter
None.

Scottish Forestry is the Scottish Government agency responsible for forestry policy, support and regulation

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James Angus Stuart (Non-Executive)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
One Planet Consulting Ltd	Director	02 April 2020	Current

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Lake District National Park	Board Member	July 2022	Current
Loch Lomond and the Trossachs National Park	Convener (Chair) and Board Member	March 2015	Feb 2023

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Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Education Partnership North East	Chair of Governors	Sep 2021	Current
Runswick Bay Beach and Sailing Club	Commodore	Feb 2023	Current

Any other matter
<p>Through my consultancy I have work as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Interim CEO of RYA Scotland and RYA Cymru Wales • Interim Chair Ethical Contribution Board for Scottish Marine Environmental Enhancement Fund • And work to support Palladium Group (green finance facility development) and DEFRA (supporting establishment of the Protected Area Partnership).

Eleanor Ryan (Non-Executive)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Glen Shuraig Consulting Ltd	Managing Director	09 July 2019	Current

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
None	N/A	N/A	N/A

Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
None	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Any other matter
Through Glen Shuraig Consulting, I carry out consultancy work in the UK and overseas, including occasional work for the Scottish Government and other Scottish public bodies. I declare any work which has the potential to cause a conflict of interest with my Scottish Forestry role. No actual conflict of interest has arisen so far.

Richard Morris (Non-Executive)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
None	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
None	N/A	N/A	N/A

Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
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Any transactions with Scottish Forestry during 2022-23			
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Loch Lomond and Trossachs Countryside Trust: Wife is Trust Director, Scottish Forestry are on the Board of the Trust and founding member.	£10,000	N/A	N/A

Any other matter
Scottish Forestry are founding members of the Loch Lomond and Trossachs Countryside Trust and Mike Strachan of SF was on the Board last year. My wife is the trust director of the Trust. Scottish Forestry have historically provided funding to the Trust including in the 2022/23 financial year as noted above. At time of writing there is no confirmed funding for 2023/24.

SCOTTISH FORESTRY EXECUTIVE TEAM MEMBERS

David Signorini (Chief Executive Officer – to 3rd July 2023)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
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Any related party transactions during 2022-23			
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Any other matter:
None

Paul Lowe (Interim Chief Executive Officer – from 3rd July 2023)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
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Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
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Any other matter:
None

Brendan Callaghan (Head of Operational Delivery) – from 4 July 2022

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Bellister Woodfuels – partnership operating a small community level woodfuel heating system.	Partner	2009	Current
Old Caberston Collective – partnership owning and managing an area of land and forestry in the Scottish Borders	Partner	2015	Current

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Interim Chief Executive for Environmental Standards Scotland	Environmental Standards Scotland – new environmental oversight body, legally established from 1 October 2021, with powers to monitor and take action to improve the compliance with and the effectiveness of environmental laws in Scotland. This includes powers in relation to legislation relevant to forestry and the role of Scottish Forestry.	19 April 2021	3 July 2022

Unpaid work			
Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Trustee (Council Member)	Institute of Chartered Foresters	April 2021	Current

Any related party transactions during 2022-23			
Name of company and role: Old Caberston Collective, Partner			
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Institute of Chartered Foresters: SF Contribution to Forestry Leadership scheme and ICF events	£19,000	Nil	Nil

Any other matter: Part owner of Old Caberston Forest, an area of forest and land in Scotland.

Alan Hampson (Head of Policy and Practice)

Directorships			
Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
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Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
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Any other matter: Member of the Institute of Chartered Foresters.

Ross Machardie (Head of Finance & Business Support)

Directorships			
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Any other matter:
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Jonathan Taylor (Head of Scottish Forestry Executive Office)

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Helen McKay (Chief Forester)

Directorships

Company	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Forestry Publications Ltd	Director	2009	Current

Other Public Appointments

Other Public Appointments	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Forest Research	Honorary Fellow	1st September 2020	Current

Unpaid work

Organisation	Role	Date of Appointment	Date of Resignation
Scottish Forestry Trust	Trustee	2018	Current
Damhead and District Community Council	Treasurer	2000	Current
Forestry: An International Journal of Forest Research	Editor	1995	Current
Institute of Chartered Foresters	Fellow	2006	Current
Institute of Chartered Foresters	Member of South Scotland Committee	2021	Current

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Any other matter:

Member of RSPB
Member of Scottish Wildlife Trust

Zahid Deen (Head of Operational Services and Transformation)

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