

Halkshill and Blairpark

Update: 1 June 2019

Over the course of last week, up at Halkshill and Blairpark, approximately 30ha of the ground was prepared for planting using both mounding and ploughing techniques to provide an elevated planting position to provide the best chance for tree establishment.





A lot of pre-planning was put into the ground preparation works here due to the breeding bird season. This highlighted the need for ground truthing before any disturbance to ensure any possible ground nesting bird nests were protected from any works.

This was done on site a maximum of 48 hours before a machine would be working in the area. The process was aided by the use of Hungarian Vizsla Ekko, who helped to point out any nests in the area.



Works will continue on site next week with the beginning of planting across the first 30 hectares with a mixture of Sitka Spruce and Lodgepole Pine.