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THE STRATEGIC TIMBER TRANSPORT SCHEME

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Some of the challenges



- ...result in the provision of considerable, wider, public benefit in terms of reductions in the social disruption caused to fragile rural communities and environmental impact of timber transportation activities.
- ...not provide financial advantage, or other exclusive benefits, to individual forest owners or companies.

“To facilitate the sustainable transport of timber in rural areas of Scotland for the benefit of local communities and the environment, maximising the value of monies available through innovative Regionally and Nationally Strategic projects and partnerships.”



Generating:

- Community and social benefits
- Environmental benefits
- Reduced damage and disruption

A further objective is to enable improved access to landlocked forests



- Two page “Outline info on potential bids, followed by a discussion with RTTG PO;
- Obtain written support of the RTTG;
- Full application;
- Visit to site by R Stiven &/or D Nelson;
- Review by STTS Advisory Panel – possible presentation requested for complex proposals;
- Decision – intervention rate and amount.

	<u>Score</u>	<u>Weight</u>
1. Community and social benefits	0-3	3
2. Environmental benefits	0-3	3
3. Reduced damage and disruption to public roads	0-3	3
4. Improved access to landlocked forests	0-3	3
5. Ability to deliver programme	0-3	1
6. Partnerships and leverage	0-3	1
7. Economic sustainability	0-3	1

Aim of the Preparatory Project Grant

To enable initial planning, negotiations and outline costing work to be carried out, leading to a full application.



	Projects	STTS	Total Value
• Completed	135	£24.7M	£51.2M
• Active	24*	£ 8.6M	£17.5M
• Withdrawn	18		
• Rejected	54		

*In 2017/18 five projects covered work on 37 public roads



£7.05M for sustainable timber transport projects to benefit communities

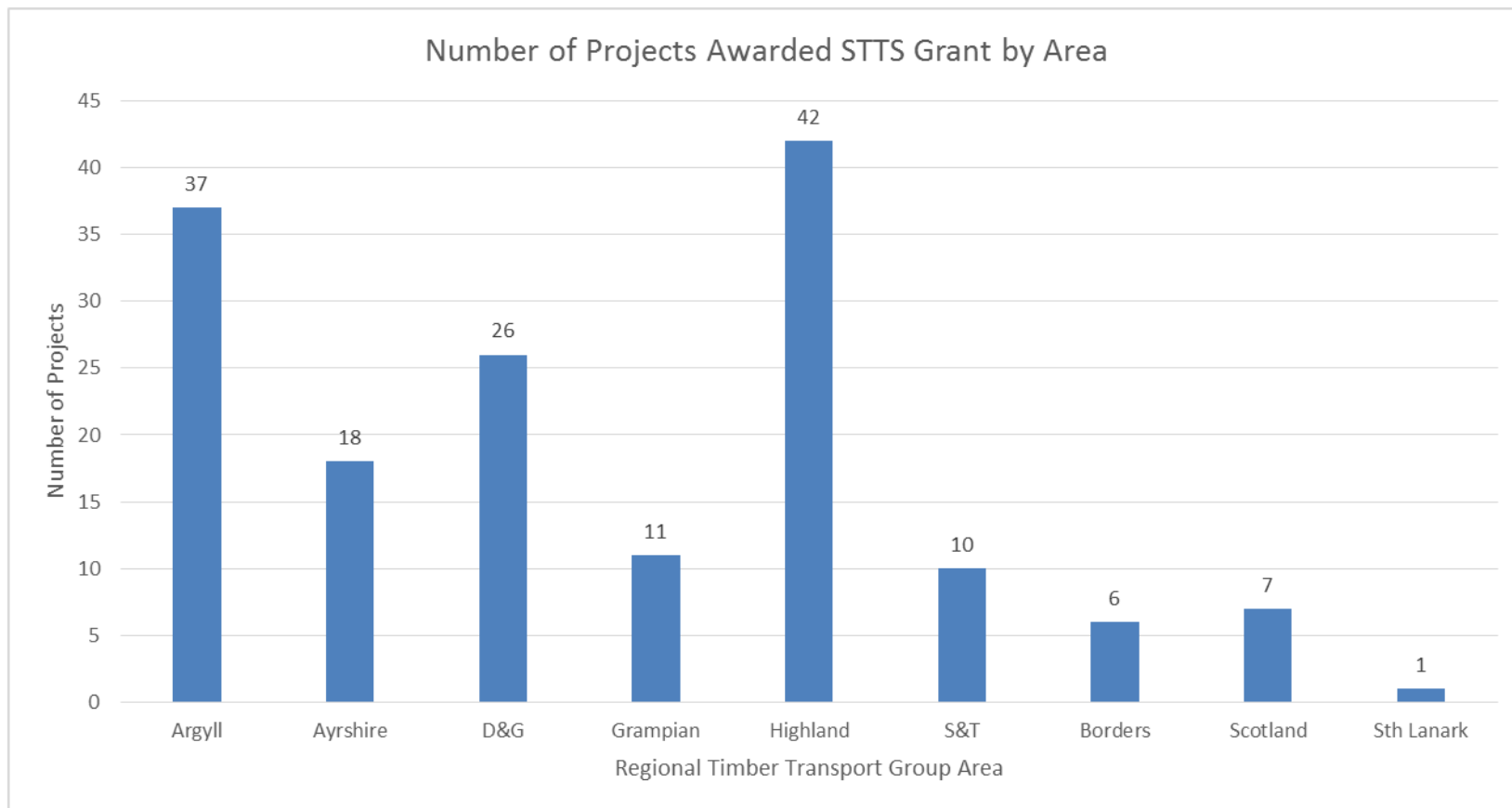


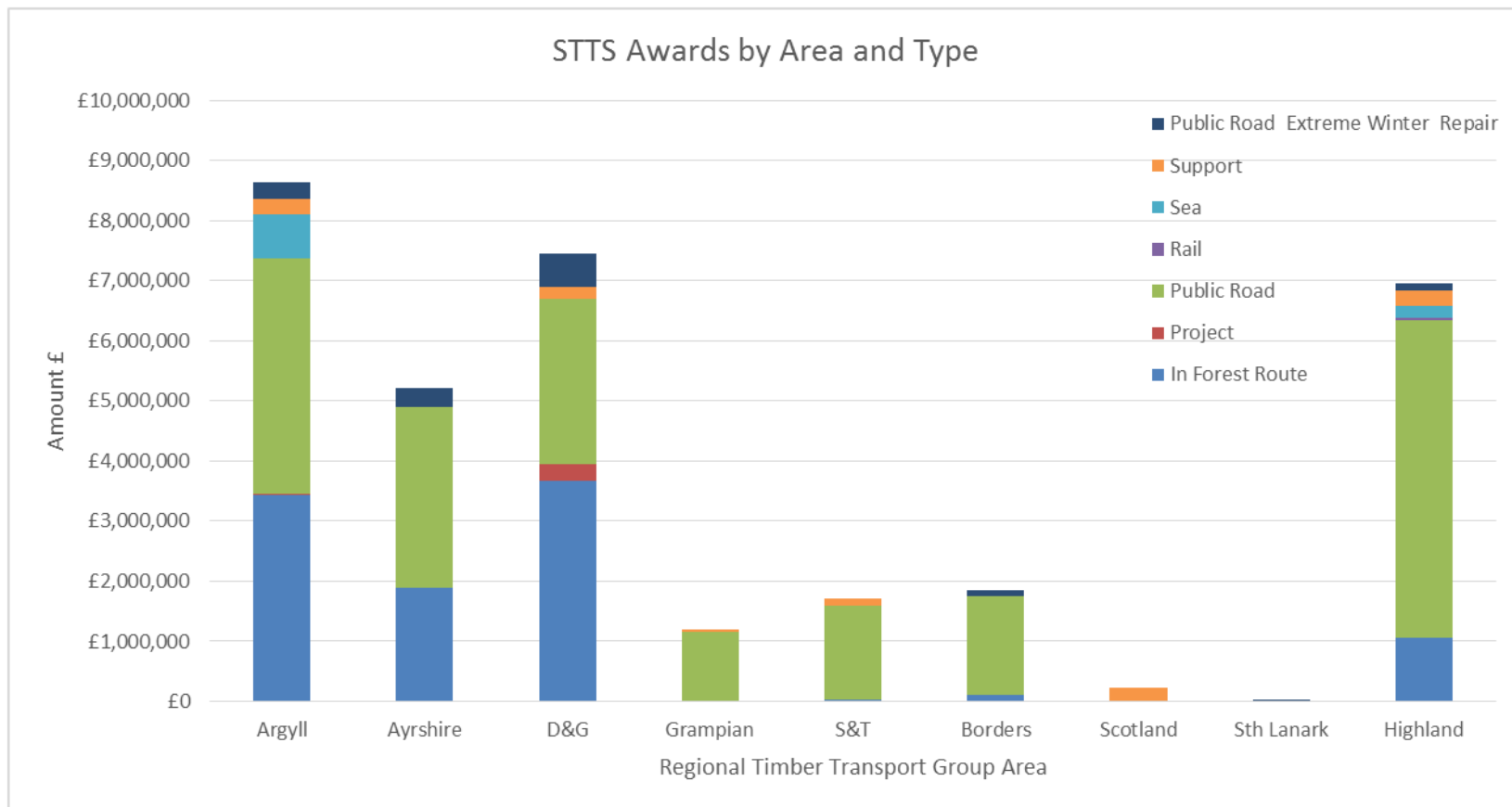
Argyll and Bute	£554k for 4 roads
Ayrshire (south and east)	£770k for 4 roads
Dumfries and Galloway	£1.4M for 10 roads
Highland	£1.42M for 6 roads
Perth and Kinross	£1.5m for 4 roads
Moray	£550k for 13 roads
Scottish Borders	£593k for 6 roads

Plus

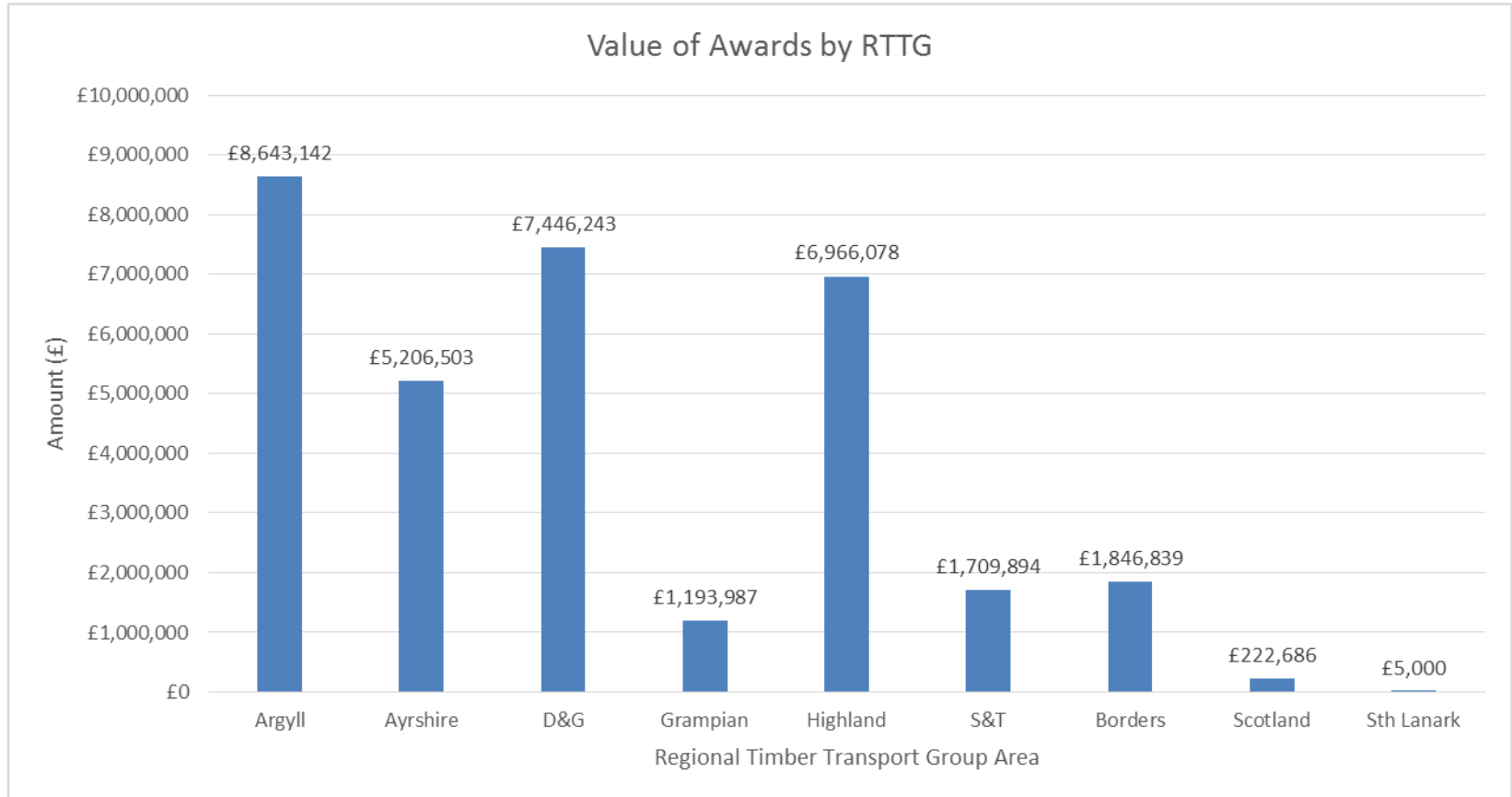
- One in-forest road and bridge
- One landing craft loading area







Value of awards by RTTG





- In the application we request the tonnages to be delivered via the infrastructure being invested in over a 10 year period, indicating the level of benefits being proposed.
- We retain an “interest” in a project for this 10 years after completion.
- We will request data on tonnages actually moved over that period to confirm that the **outcomes** sought are being realised.



Scottish Government
Riaghaltas na h-Alba

Strategic Timber Transport Scheme
Aichealaidh agus Shrath Chonan
Achilty and Strathconon 2017
Partnership funded improvement works

...supporting timber on the move

Timber Extraction Route
Use passing places to
allow lorries to pass freely

For submission dates please see
<http://scotland.forestry.gov.uk/supporting/forest-industries/timber-transport/strategic-timber-transport-scheme>