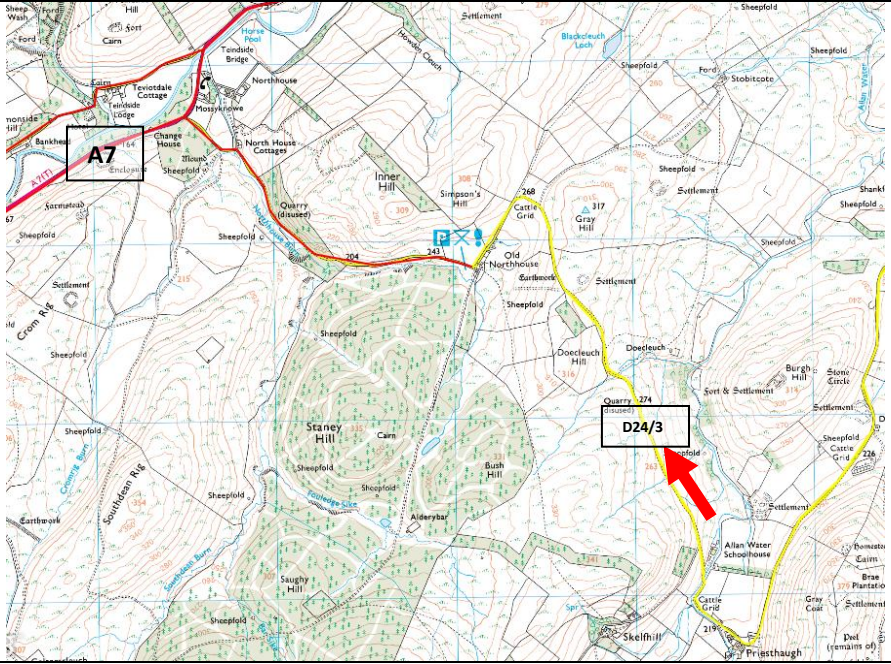


Timber Transport Management Plan

Borders Timber Transport Group

Location:	D24/3 Priesthaugh – south of Hawick.
Purpose:	Detail the pre conditions and arrangements to sustain timber haulage on this sensitive road. The plan is there to protect this narrow road and verges, and preserve it for the use of local residents, agriculture and forestry. Clear restrictions are being sought through this Timber Transport Management plan on the number of lorries per day.
Road Number:	D24/3
Map:	
Agreed Routes Status:	Consultation route then changes to an agreed route after the Old Norse House.
Contact:	Brian Young, SBC 01835 825178 byoung@scotborders.gov.uk
Community Council:	Upper Teviotdale
Protocol:	• Applications should be made to Scottish Borders Council for each harvesting operation and provide a clear time frame. • To mitigate the damage to the road surface, ideally no more than 5 loaded movements are permitted to exit the forest onto the public road each day (Up to an absolute maximum of 8 by request only). There should be at least an hour between lorry loads. • Warning signs are to be erected along the route. • The road to the west past Skelfhill is the preferred route as it is shorter distance to the A7, albeit that introduces the somewhat acute turn in and out the forest exit and more extreme gradients in places. This route is preferred as there are more informal locations where passing can occur and a greater potential to create passing places in the future.

	• Flashing beacons are to be used when leaving the forest and to the junction of the A7 – to forewarn oncoming motorists. • Timber Lorries should not operate on the route between the school transport times of 0830 to 0850 and 1540 to 1600. • Timber lorry movements need to be well communicated to avoid incoming timber lorries meeting outgoing ones. • Ensure that the roads are kept free of mud and ensure that stones are not dragged onto the surface. • Convoying is to be prohibited on this route. • Ensure that the condition of the road is adequately monitored and report any defects to SBC.
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