

Landowners' Commitment

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We undertake to manage our land based businesses in line with the following principles.

We will be:

Open

- Take reasonable steps to ensure that ownership of land is visible.
- Ensure that landowners or their named representative are accessible and contactable.
- Openly condemn bad and illegal practice where it exists.
- Communicate estate plans to those who will be affected by them.

Inclusive

- Have regard to community aspirations as part of estate planning.
- Provide the wider estate community with an opportunity to contribute to relevant decision making.
- Proactively welcome responsible public access.
- Promote enjoyment of rural Scotland.

Enabling

- Work with tenants and the wider community to encourage and support enterprise and business development where this fits with estate or farm objectives.
- Work with the community where appropriate to assist in the delivery of its social, economic and environmental aspirations.
- Act as a catalyst and conduit for inward investment.
- Provide opportunities for people to connect with the land through education, employment and recreation.

Responsible

- Treat everyone with courtesy, politeness and respect, and act with integrity across land based business activities.
 - Act sustainably, economically, socially and environmentally.
 - Adhere to all relevant codes of practice and regulatory requirements.
 - Ensure employees and contractors conduct business in accordance with the principles contained within the Landowners' Commitment as well as any appropriate professional standards.
 - Be aware of how landowners' actions and decisions affect those who live and work in rural Scotland and those who visit for enjoyment.
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