

## Sutton Heath

### Management Proposals

Management area	Proposed Management	Date	ha.
Area 1 (Heathland)	Complete programme of scrub control Complete programme of bracken control Review grazing regime (sheep, Exmoor ponies & Highland cattle) Retention of mature oaks & pines	2011-13 as above 2012/13 Ongoing	26.50
Area 2 (Woodland)	Re-establish Sweet Chestnut Coppice regime (10% p.a.) Commence rotation on 15-20 year cycle (depending upon regrowth rates) Retention of mature, chestnuts, oaks & pines Localised silvicultural thinning over 10% of the area (to create light & space for maturing trees) Protection of next generation of feature trees Complete clearance of dense birch scrub (post '87 storm) (c. 0.05 ha)	2011 onwards 2025 Ongoing 2014/18 2011 2011/12	7.90
Area 3 (Tree belt)	Restore Pine tree belt	Ongoing	2.00
Area 4 (Woodland)	Selective silvicultural thinning up to 30% in areas of dense pine (to create light & space for maturing trees) Retention of mature oaks & pines Protection of next generation of feature trees	2015-21 Ongoing 2014	10.30
Area 5 (Heathland)	60% thinning of pine & birch trees Retention of mature trees & groups of younger trees Restoration to heathland habitat	2014-20 Ongoing 2015-20	9.30
Area 6 (Heathland)	Expansion of heathland habitat corridor (by 1.8 ha) Retention of mature, chestnuts, oaks & pines Selective clearance of trees from the Scheduled Ancient Monument	2012-15 Ongoing 2012-4	4.76
Whole site	Realign fencing to boundary of site with link to Sutton Common	2015/16	