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1 I am in favour of joint ventures and partnerships as long as the Forestry Commission has the final say on what is best for the environment etc

2 I am strongly opposed to leases being offered to private companies as this will reduce the income from timber sales going back to FC and could lead to money leaving the country and with the length of the lease being a minimum of 75 years the whole scheme is like selling off the most productive areas for a fast buck

3 The Forestry Commission already has the expertise in woodland creation any voluntary help would be appreciated

4 If the FC were given more of a free hand in choosing when and where to harvest or were able to wait for better prices it could become more profitable

Regards
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