

# Delamere Forest: Forest Design Plan

## Autumn 2011 Review – Viewpoints Survey



1) Looking north to Blakemere from the summit of Old Pale



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The younger trees at planted on Old Pale

Patchwork effect & uneven woodland structure created by small areas felled & replanted at different times

One of the 8 stones that represent each of the 8 counties that can be seen from the summit of Old Pale



## 1 & 2) Looking north to Delamere Forest from the summit of Old Pale

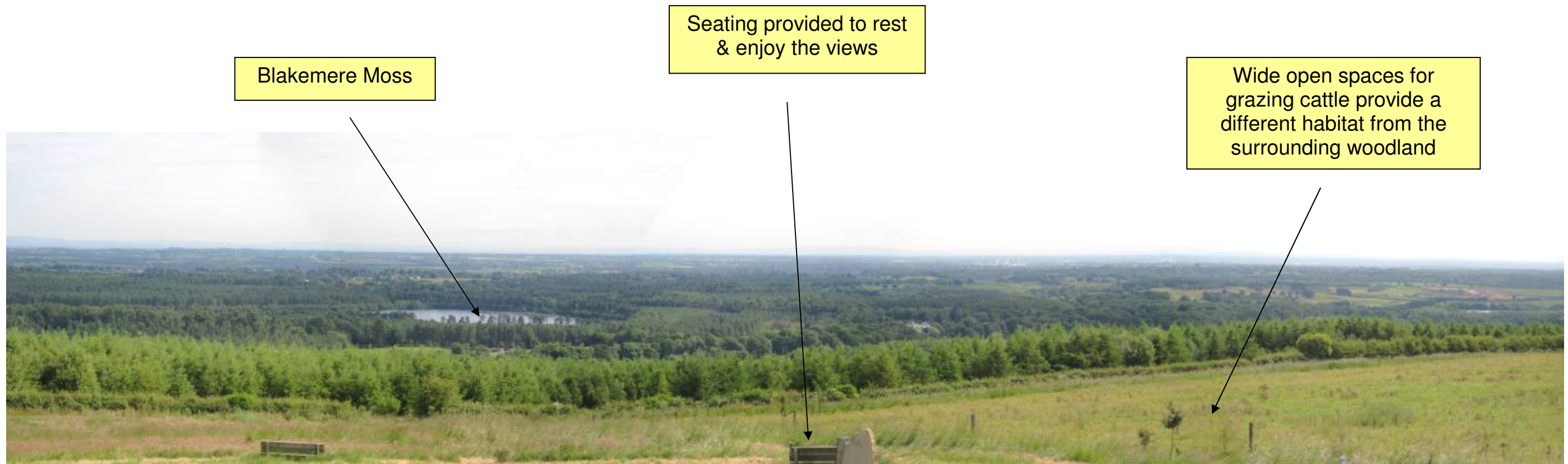
The summit of Old Pale is the place for spectacular 360 panoramic views including Delamere Forest in its entirety. The patchwork effect created by felling & replanting small areas of forest at different times is characteristic of the forest.



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Blakemere Moss

Seating provided to rest  
& enjoy the views

Wide open spaces for  
grazing cattle provide a  
different habitat from the  
surrounding woodland

## 2) Looking north to Delamere Forest from the summit of Old Pale

A continuation of the panoramic view showing how the forest fades into the wider background of smaller fragmented woodlands which spread out over the level landscape.



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Delamere Forest in the mid ground

The masts at the top of Old Pale



### 3) Looking west to Delamere Forest & Old Pale from New Pale

This view helps to show the extent of Delamere Forest. In the mid ground is the main part of the forest & far away to the right side of the photograph it is possible to make out the mast that sits atop Old Pale. In the foreground are small fragments of woodland that help connect Delamere Forest to the wider wooded areas.



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Woodland edge mimics the surrounding hedgerows

Conifers behind the broadleaved woodland edge are not intrusive



## 4) Looking south west to Old Pale from the entrance to Delamere Forest

From this view the broadleaved edge of the woodland fits comfortably into the surrounding landscape of hedges & pasture.



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Primrose Wood  
in the foreground

Masts on top of  
Old Pale



## 5) Looking north to Old Pale from Primrose Wood

Swathed across the hillside, Old Pale fits into the wider landscape of scattered mixed species woodland & farmland.



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This open area has been planted with mixed conifer species which as it grows will contribute to the existing structure

Pleasingly irregular woodland structure of conifers & broadleaves



## 6) Looking south west from the A54 to Primrose Wood

Primrose Wood is highly visible to passing traffic using the busy A54 & A556 trunk roads. Swathed across one of the few hillsides in the area it is an opportunity to demonstrate continuous cover forestry management where the aim is to create a mixed species woodland with an irregular age structure that is pleasing to look at.



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