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Kate's deep understanding of the greater forestry environment gives her the edge when providing detailed advice for a range of clients.

From being awarded Lantra Forestry Apprentice of the Year in 2011, Kate has built a reputation for her expert practical knowledge of forestry management from plantation establishment and infrastructure to eventual harvesting. Working with managers, contractors, developers and landowners, she enjoys the variety of her role.

With experience at ground level, Kate is highly regarded for her ability to get the job done and thrives on the challenges the sector presents. With an interest in the commercial aspect of bringing raw material to market, she understands the many external influences. Her expertise has also been invaluable when working with renewables developers to bring major projects to fruition. In these time-pressured environments, Kate has risen to the challenge and enjoys the task of designing a complementary forest plan from inception to eventual harvest. Out of the home-grown forest environment, Kate has spent time in the Czech Republic studying its forestry sector and has been called upon to present at Holyrood. A chartered forester with 14 years' experience, she provides strategic forestry advice for some of our largest clients.

Key relevant project experience

Management responsibility for 5,000 ha of commercial forestry on behalf of estate, commercial investors and private individual clients.

Asset management services to firm's largest private wealth forestry portfolio with properties located in Southern, Central and North East Scotland.

Overseeing reinstatement of infrastructure on estates affected by the Beauty-Denny powerline project.

Advising large-scale windfarm developers on how best to navigate the commercial forestry environment.

Negotiation of timber crop payments resulting from large-scale clearance of forest crops to facilitate renewable energy development.

Supporting the valuation of commercial forestry properties for investors and owners.

Professional Memberships

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