

**Department of Agriculture and Rural Development
Forest Service**

This is the Forest Service's plan to help people enjoy our forests and provide more things for them to do

**Easy read version
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About us

We are the Forest Service for Northern Ireland

What do we do?

Here are some of the things we do

We look after all the public forests in Northern Ireland

We cut down trees in our forests and sell them

We plant new trees in place of the ones we cut down

We look after the forest environment

We pay money to people to help them with the cost of planting trees on their own land

We provide places in our forests for people to walk, cycle, ride horses, have picnics, camp and park their caravans

About our plan

Why we have produced this plan

We want our forests to be places that people and tourists like to visit

We want people to walk, run and cycle in our forests, as part of staying healthy

We want our forests to be places that people with disabilities and older people can visit

We want more children and young people to visit and learn about our forests

What our plan means

Our plan means that we will think about how we will help people enjoy our forests

Our plan means that we will listen to the views of people who visit our forests, so that even more people will visit them

Here are some of the things our plan says we will do:

We will aim to provide lots of activities in our forests

We will aim to put an adventure course high up in our trees in some forests

We will work with different groups of people to help us do this

We will work closely with the Northern Ireland Tourist Board to bring more people to our forests

We will make sure that our forests can be enjoyed by as wide a range of people as possible

We will give more attention to the things that people want to do when we plan our forests

We will speak to people who use our forests to help us do this

We will seek views regularly from people who use our forests to see how satisfied they are

We will also ask children and young people for their views

We will improve signs and access, particularly to help people who are disabled, or older people

How we will check our progress

We will seek views from people who use our forests and report on these in our Annual Report

How you can

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or

tell us what you think about this plan

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