

WOODLAND MANAGEMENT PRINCIPLES AND PRACTICE

An Introduction for Community Volunteers

SESSION 3: WOODLAND MANAGEMENT PLANS

HANDOUT No. 4: **Woodland Vision and Management Objectives**

LONG TERM VISION FOR WILLIAMSON PARK

To develop the woodlands in order to satisfy visitor needs and enhance Williamson Park as a major attraction for local communities and as a national tourism destination.

The woodlands will be managed for both recreation and biodiversity, whilst always having regard to the historic and cultural values of the site.

The multiple objectives of public recreation; conservation of a historic landscape and features; and wildlife habitats are recognised as being valid in shaping woodland management policy and practice.

WOODLAND MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES FOR WILLIAMSON PARK

1. Provide an attractive, stimulating, educational and safe environment for the visiting public and staff.
2. Maintain woodland cover in sympathy with the built structures and other features of Williamson Park.
3. Maintain woodland cover as a feature in the wider landscape.
4. Increase woodland biodiversity without compromising other valuable habitats.
5. Explore opportunities to engage with local communities so that people become more involved with woodland management activities.