



**CCFG Wales Meeting to Coed Llandegla
Thursday 5th October 2017
09.30-15.30**

This autumn we are returning to North Wales after two years of visits in the South. Coed Llandegla is a privately owned forest in the hills west of Wrexham. Like Bryn Arau Duon, the location of last year's visit, it is a spruce dominated upland forest. Management drivers are different, though, including heavy recreational use and black grouse conservation. For purists, the silvicultural methods adopted might not be considered CCF, but are they a pragmatic approach to achieving a degree of irregularity in an upland spruce forest managed for multiple benefits?

This will be the CCFG's first visit to Coed Llandegla, and we thank Tilhill Forestry for agreeing to host us.

Timetable:

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| From 09.00 | Meet at Coed Llandegla car park (Grid Ref SJ 240 523, Postcode LL11 3AA). The parking fee will be waived; please advise the attendant that you are part of the CCFG visit. |
| 09.30 | Welcome. During the morning we will explore group shelterwood management in stands of Sitka spruce and larch. |
| 12.30 | Lunch. Attendees should bring their own packed lunch. |
| 13.00 | During the afternoon we will look at the rationale for changes in CCF management in response to changing owner objectives. |
| 15.00 | Conclusions and vote of thanks. |
| 15.30 | Depart. |

Please bring suitable outdoor clothing and footwear and a picnic lunch. In the interests of biosecurity, clothing and footwear should be free of soil and plant debris. Tilhill Forestry will provide cleaning facilities and disinfectant.

Booking:

Please book your place with the CCFG Administrator (administrator@ccfg.org.uk). The field trip is free for CCFG members and students and £15 for guests.