



Case Study  
 Woodland and Garden Restoration  
**Wentworth Castle and Stainborough Park**

In the spring of 2005 Lowther Forestry Group in partnership with Hilary Taylor Landscape Associates were commissioned by the Wentworth Castle and Stainborough Park Heritage Trust with the brief to develop a woodland management plan that could inform future operations on site for the next decade and beyond.

The woodland plan was jointly prepared by the team drawing on earlier reports and carrying out a detailed site survey, in which all the current woodlands were analysed for their requirements and potential. Numerous designations were in place including conservation areas, Grade 1 registration of the sites historic woodlands as well as over 8 graded historic buildings and monuments. The team were required to provide careful management and comprehensive silvicultural systems that would be adopted to ensure that the woodlands would continue to offer all of the benefits which these designations impart and ensuring that the listed building condition and setting should not be negatively affected and should in fact be restored or enhanced through appropriate recommendations and woodland management.

Following extensive research and surveying work, proposals were formulated including a fully budgeted 10 years management plan which was issued



