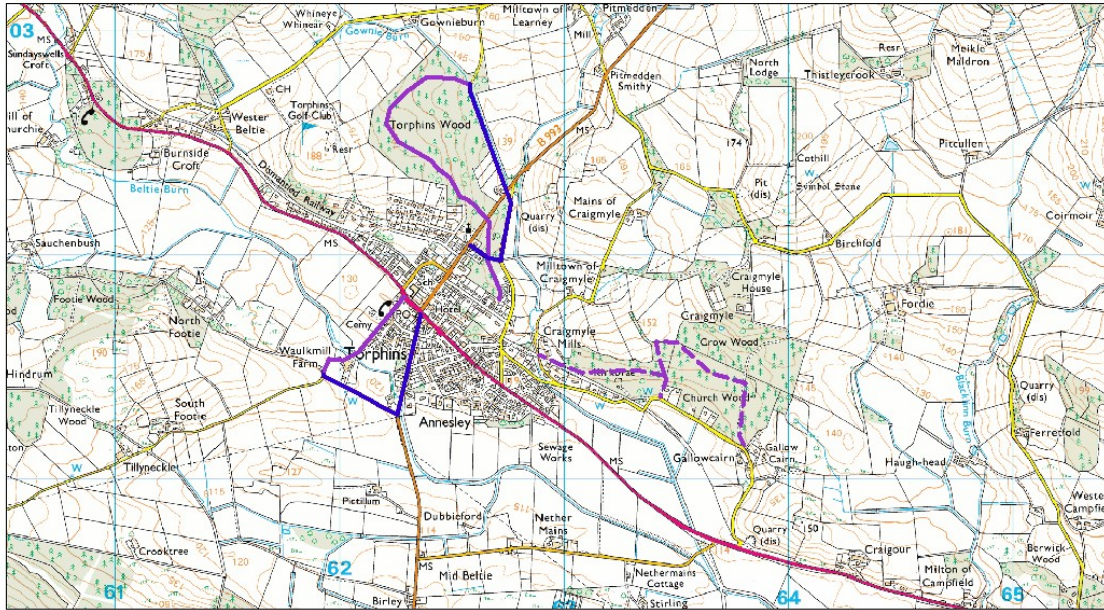




	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HB has contacted Learney Estate Head Forester Brian Ness and conducted a general discussion on Torphins Wood. There are plans for felling in the wood due to maturity of the trees and this could impact path plans.</li> <li>• The meeting reviewed the local maps provided by NC along with the other maps provided by DT.</li> <li>• TCC members HB, ED, JL, WM, LM, NP did perform site visits on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016 to evaluate and decide on focus path locations in and around Torphins. William Street to Monboddoo Road and St Marnan Road, and Torphins Woods paths were visited to begin the evaluations.</li> </ul>	<p>HB</p> <p>Group</p> <p>Group</p>
4.	<p><b>Action Items:</b></p> <p>There was wide ranging discussion around the feedback and additional information arising on the above responses (item 4) to the action items of the previous meeting. Fundamentally the project needs additional active participation in the group, with strong active community support, to enable a drive forward to create new paths and to maintain in the long run. The meeting agreed a number of new action items to pursue.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MA to contact Peter Craig of the Tarland Way to request a meeting in Tarland with members of the Torphins Paths Group.</li> <li>• Conduct a path audit to identify and document existing paths, including Rights of Way, and to help define future path plans <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ MA to provide maps to be used to mark up and document identified paths</li> <li>○ Consider conducting an Open Day, or other forms of public and groups consultation, to identify paths and to consult on public needs and interest; and to engage active community involvement.</li> </ul> </li> <li>• It was agreed a “Quick Win” is needed to generate interest and active involvement. LM to send an email to group and TCC to request submission of proposed short easy paths to focus on for “Quick Win”.</li> <li>• DT to submit Torphins community paths project to Marr Area Partnership to be included in their Community Plan, which can release funds for a feasibility study.</li> <li>• WM to contact Murray Swapp of Cairngorm Outdoor Access Trust who can assist with land ownership investigations.</li> <li>• DT to contact Helen Wilson at Paths for All regarding funds available.</li> <li>• HB to invite Brian Ness to the next meeting to discuss Core Paths etc. and Learney Estate. Note that Core Paths are statutory so cannot be ignored in felling and replanting plans, and the Group may ask for recreational consideration in felling and replanting plans.</li> <li>• Obtain feedback from JE on Torphins School travel plan etc.</li> <li>• Other support available to be pursued in future: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Conservation Volunteers provide insurance for path work by group, cost being covered by Aberdeenshire Council.</li> <li>○ Aberdeenshire Council can provide small grant towards equipment for path development</li> <li>○ Adopt a Path initiative</li> <li>○ Scottish Access Technical Information Network</li> <li>○ Paths for All</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<p>MA, Group</p> <p>MA</p> <p>Group</p> <p>LM</p> <p>DT</p> <p>WM</p> <p>DT HB</p> <p>JE</p>
5.	<b>Next Meeting:</b> Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup> February 2017 at the Learney Hall, Torphins	
6.	<b>Meeting Closed:</b> at 9:00 pm	

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