

2021

Scottish Walking Awards - Nomination

May 2021: LPG was pleased to be nominated for the Scottish Walking Awards.

Here's what they said:

'Congratulations on being nominated in the first-ever Scottish Walking Awards. The judges were impressed with your nomination. Please find attached your certificate of recognition for your work increasing walking and wheeling opportunities for more people to improve their health and to travel sustainably. Your activities are helping to make Scotland a walking friendly country. This means everyone chooses to walk more, every day and everyone has access to welcoming and safe environments for walking and wheeling.'



Thanks to those who supported and nominated us!

AGM - New members!

May 2021: At our recent AGM we were pleased to welcome three new members to our Committee. Our new committee line up can be found on the [About us - Committee](#) page. If you are interested in joining the committee or the group as a member, do get in touch lumphananpaths@gmail.com

Signs project - completed!

May 2021: Our signs project is now complete! With the last three signs installed on the pole on the Kincardine O' Neil side. Thanks to all those who contributed to this project, and for all the fabulous feedback we are getting from folk using the paths. Don't forget to pick up your leaflet to help find your way! You can find it here and in local shops and venues. This project was funded by ScotWays and Paths for All.



Bench project - completed!

May 2021: Our bench project is now complete! With the last bench in place on Lovers' Lane for all to enjoy. Thanks to local resident Craig Lindsay of Core Specialist Services, Aberdeen for a donation on behalf of his company towards this bench refurbishment. Thanks also to LSM Services Deeside Ltd for all their hard work and others who contributed to the project. The overall project for bench refurbishments was funded by a grant from Marr Area Committee.



Work party vegetation clearance - The Comply

April 2021: Thanks to volunteers and committee members for turning out on a cold day to clear The Comply of broom and sitka branches at the east end of the track. This has opened it up to look more welcoming to walkers! Broom was also cleared at the bottom of the hill down to the burn. The Comply is an old route which was used daily by children from the area to the west to reach school on the main road before the schoolhouse closed in the 1960s. You can read more about it [here](#).



Lumphanan Walks now on line!

April 2021: You can now view our walks online on OS Routes. See the links to online maps on our [Walks around Lumphanan](#) page. Mapping available includes Ordnance Survey, and you can enjoy a fly-through (subscription may be required)!

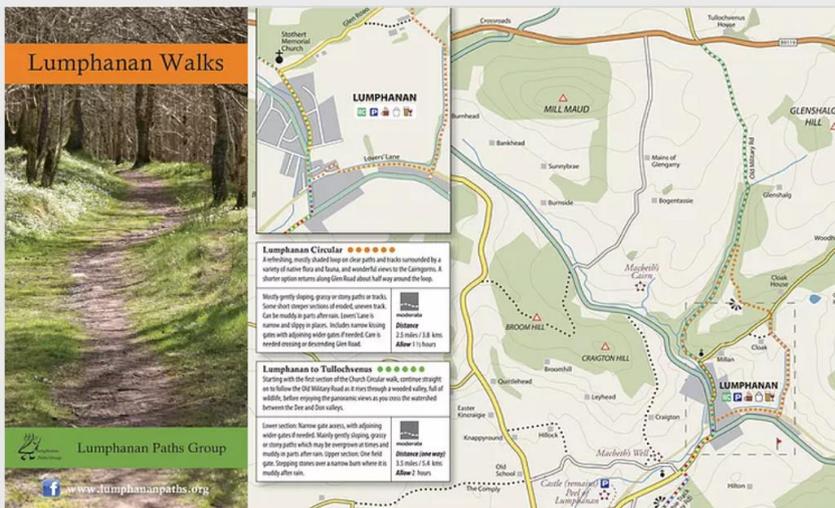


Lumphanan Walks leaflet - now available in shops!

March 2021: The leaflet is now available at the shop in Lumphanan, the shop in Kincardine O'Neil, Strachans in Aboyne, Deeside Activity Park and in Tarland. You'll find it in local cafes/eateries and other venues too once they re-open.

Lumphanan Walks leaflet consultation

January 2021: A new leaflet is being produced, showcasing some of the most well-used local walks and encouraging responsible access. There's lots of information on the local history, landscapes and wildlife you can enjoy on our walks. We are looking for comments or queries by 30 January 2021. For details see our [leaflet consultation page](#). This project is funded by ScotWays and Paths for All.



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Signs and way marking phase 1 - installation starts!

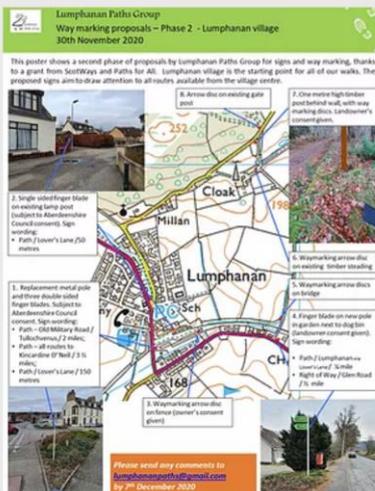
December 2020: New waymarking posts are being installed this week on routes between Lumphanan and Kincardine O Neil. Thanks to Gerd (and family!) for the hard work, and photos!

This work is funded by ScotWays and Paths for All.



Signs and way marking phase 2 – Lumphanan village

December 2020: Following some cost savings on our signs and way-marking proposals, we now have funds for a second phase of signage around Lumphanan. Please click on the poster below for more information and let us have any comments by 7 December 2020 by email to: lumphananpaths@gmail.com This work is funded by ScotWays and Paths for All.



Path improvements

November 2020: The Cairnbeathie track - part of the Old Military Road route to Kincardine O' Neil - is benefitting from further clearance work, on our socially -distanced work party with volunteers on 29 November.

We regularly hold working party days, subject to COVID 19 restrictions. Visit our [get involved](#) page to find out how you can help us deliver projects, and to let us know of any work needed on our paths.



Cairnbeathie track (Old Military Road) - fencing

November 2020: One of our projects, funded by the King George V Wind turbine community fund, Lumphanan Community Recreation Association and Marr Area Small Grants - is progressing well. Fencing work to prevent livestock from straying onto the path has now been carried out. Safer for people and beasts

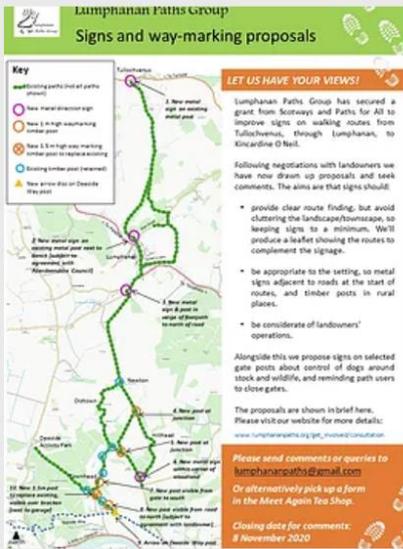


Signs & waymarking consultation - now closed

November 2020: Our consultation is now closed. Thanks to all those who contributed! We have also had some feedback on other routes requiring signs, so do get in touch if you have further suggestions: lumphananpaths@gmail.com

Signs & waymarking improvements - let us have your views!

October 2020: Following negotiations with landowners we have now drawn up proposals and seek comments on proposed improvements: see our [consultation page here](#). This work is funded by ScotWays and Paths for All.



Benches update and donations

October 2020: The latest bench is now at the foot of the Church track on Glen Road. The restoration costs of this bench have been kindly donated to the Lumphanan community by our local blacksmith, Les Morgan of LSM Services Deeside Ltd and his wife, Isla. Thank you!

[Find out more on our Facebook page](#)

We are grateful to local resident Craig Lindsay of Core Specialist Services, Aberdeen, for making a donation on behalf of his company towards the refurbishment of the Lover's Lane bench. Thank you Craig!

Although not part of our project, there is also a new commemorative horseshoe bench at the Lumphanan Circular viewpoint made by Gordon Ritchie.



Progress on benches project

September 2020: Good news for those who enjoy some relaxation on their walk!
Two benches are already back after refurbishment. The Paths Group obtained funding for this project from Marr Area Committee.

[Find out more on our Facebook page](#)



Funding approved!

August 2020: We are pleased to announce funds have been granted from ScotWays and Paths for All for new signs on various routes around Lumphanan. We have also secured funds from King George V fund for fencing along the Cairnbeathie track and Marr Area Small Grant Scheme for bench refurbishments. Find out more about these and other projects on our projects page.

Path improvements

August 2020: The Cairnbeathie track is now clear of broom and grass, thanks to the hard work of our volunteers and committee members in February and August 2020. Thank you all!

We regularly hold working party days. Visit our [get involved](#) page to find out how you can help us deliver projects, and to let us know of any work needed on our paths.

Responsible access

Summer 2020: We've seen many of our paths busier than usual this year. Please walk responsibly and be considerate of others, including parking. Be aware of the [Scottish Outdoor Access Code](#): remember to keep dogs under proper control to protect livestock and wildlife, and please keep our environment safe and beautiful by taking your litter home. Thank you!