

Map 16

Lower Badenoch and Strathspey

The map on the opposite page shows the proposed core paths network for the Lower Badenoch and Strathspey area. The paths proposed within this area have been chosen as they best fit with the objectives of the Core Paths Plan and have been identified during the consultation process. The Outdoor Access Strategy¹² identifies a need to develop better path networks around communities, safe routes to school and better opportunities for horse riders and cyclists amongst others. The proposed core paths network in this area includes popular paths which provide for a range of abilities and activities and also provide longer distance routes linking to other communities and other areas of the Park. Within this area many of the existing paths have been put in place by Forestry Commission Scotland, community groups and trusts such as Anagach Woods Trust and access projects such as the Highland Access Project. These paths are popular both with the community and visitors, they cater for a range of activities and help land managers to better manage access on their land.

There was support for a new off-road link between Grantown-on-Spey and Dulnain Bridge (see Map 17, page 33). It is anticipated, however, that this project cannot be completed within the two year timescale required (see Section 3.3 page 11) and as such it is not proposed as a core path at this time. The CNPA recognise the importance of this path, however, and will continue to work with the community on this project. If the path can be delivered then it will be considered for core path status alongside all other paths when the Core Paths Plan is reviewed.

The River Spey (LBS1) is popular locally, nationally, internationally and commercially as a quality canoe touring river providing opportunities for a range of paddle sports and abilities throughout its length. The River Spey is also vitally important to the local economy for fishing interests. The proposal to designate the River Spey fits well with the objectives of the core paths network, particularly in relation to helping land managers to manage access, provision for a range of activities, range of abilities, range of popular paths and helping to deliver the priorities for the area within the Outdoor Access Strategy.





Lower Badenoch and Strathspey Proposed Core Paths	
Path Ref No	Path Name/Description
LBS1	The River Spey
LBS5	The Dava Way
LBS72	The Badenoch Way
LBS114	Sustrans Route 7
LBS116	The Speyside Way
LBS127	Ryvoan Pass

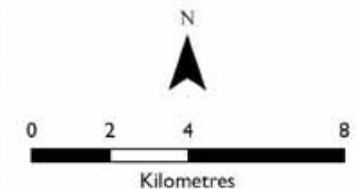
¹² Enjoying the Cairngorms: Cairngorms National Park Outdoor Access Strategy 2007-2012 (CNPA 2007), is available on the CNPA website or on request.

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AND STRATHSPEY

Proposed Core Paths Network
- for Consultation

Map Legend

-  Cairngorms National Park
-  Exists on the ground
-  Proposed new path
- LBS1** Path Reference Number
-  Inset map



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