

# Torphins Paths Group

Proposal 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017

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# Group Formation

- Form and launch active Torphins Paths Group with Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and other members
- Adopt constitution
- Open bank account
- Obtain insurance
- As the project develops recruit volunteers to perform specific activities
  - Consultation and Publicity
  - Path plans
  - Initial fund raising
  - Path creation
  - Path maintenance

# Communication and Consultation

- Document outline ideas of the group for communication of the concept to the public
- Organise launch event and publicity for Torphins Paths Group
- Conduct public consultation to confirm interest, desires, concerns, recommendations
- Consultation media: online, leaflets, questionnaires
  - Possible contact points:
    - Local public organisations e.g. school, GP practice
    - Local voluntary organisations e.g. Torphins Typhoons
    - Torphins Market
    - Platform 22, The Learney Arms
    - Shops
    - Door to door

# How do we know our project is needed?

## Paths for walking and cycling in and around Torphins

What do you like?

What score would you give today?

0=hopeless, 10=perfection

0.....5.....10

What do you dislike?

What would make Torphins paths better?

# Path Development

- Analyse public responses
- Finalise and prioritise path projects to pursue
- For each path project to be pursued assign and perform the detail work to enable development, construction, and maintenance of the path
- Publicise the projects and recruit volunteers
- Expect new projects to take 18+ months to complete

# Implementation of Each Project

- Preliminary survey of route
- Identify landowner(s) and negotiate access/lease agreement
- Detail survey of route
- Plan and cost the path proposal
  - Route, size and type of path, materials, costs
  - Voluntary and/or contractor
- Prepare long term annual maintenance plan
- Submit planning application
- Seek funding
- Construction phase through to opening event

# Sustaining the Torphins Paths Group and the Paths

- Torphins Paths Group membership maintained
- Existing and new volunteers tracked, encouraged, supported, managed
- Ongoing Programmes:
  - Funding sources
  - Equipment
  - Planned maintenance of paths
  - Work days
  - New path projects

# Objectives Today

- Create Torphins Paths Group from this interim committee and agree specific actions to add members
- Agree and document path making objectives and plans to support publicity
- Create publicity plan and event to launch TPG and support the community consultation:  
leaflets, posters, Facebook, etc.
- Plan community consultation exercise with target date to conduct

# Torphins Orbital v2

mapmyrun TRAINING ROUTES CHALLENGES GO PREMIUM BLOG SHOP

SAVE ROUTE

USA Topo World Topo Map Satellite

DISTANCE 8.09 KM

UNDO CLEAR CENTER

OUT+BACK REVERSE RETURN

Auto Follow Roads

Walking Mode  Bicycling Mode  Driving Mode  Avoid Highways

Distance  Imperial  Metric

Markers 1 km

Elevation  Traffic

Bicycle Paths

Center on Click  Scroll to Zoom

Support

# Local Organisations and Contacts

- Torphins Community Council
- Torphins Medical Practice
- Torphins School and School Parent Council
- Mid Deeside Church
- Bread of Life
- Torphins Gala
- Walking Groups
- Scouts and Guides
- Nursery
- Playgroup
- Golf Club
- Bowling Club
- Bridge Club
- Torphins Typhoons
- Torphins Forum Facebook Page
- Local Businesses

# Meeting Agenda

## Distributed

- **Interim Chairman Vision for Torphins Paths Group:**
  - Presentation
  - Discussion
- **Agree and assign action items with timeline to enable the launch of Torphins Paths Group, including broad objectives to be promoted.**

**Items to consider:**

  - Review draft constitution for understanding of typical scope (actual constitution would be finalised and adopted by Torphins Paths Group)
  - Plan a Community Consultation; before or after Torphins Paths Group Formed
  - Develop and adopt a brief outline potential path plan to provide a core quick win objective to form the new Paths Group around.
  - Develop a plan to communicate the Torphins paths project to the community, with the objective of engendering direct active involvement of members of the community to create Torphins Paths Group.
  - Organise a community launch event to kick off a community based Torphins Paths Group, possibly formed around the re-opening of Waulkmill Bridge and seeking publicity through the Gala, depending on timing.
  - Consider funding requirements and need to open a bank account.

# Decisions and Action Items - 1

- The **Interim Committee** resolved to form Torphins Paths Group with immediate effect, the current membership to be augmented before and during launch activity
- **Founding Members:**
  - Hamish Booth
  - Dr. Neil Campbell
  - Tessa Campbell (Treasurer)
  - Eric Day
  - Jon Entwistle
  - Will Maclean (Chair and acting Secretary)
  - Emma Pattullo
- **Will** to circulate draft constitution for review in preparation for formal adoption at the next meeting of the group
- **Group** to organise launch event, including initial community consultation, around official opening of new Waukmill Bridge, with detail planning to be finalised at next meeting. Launch event planned for Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2017

# Decisions and Action Items - 2

- **Will** to contact potential sources for launch funding
- **Will** to draft words for launch poster/leaflet/flyer which **Emma** will design for printing
- **Neil** to circulate Torphins Typhoons about the launch with request to participate in launch event, and consider other participants e.g. Torphins Patients Group and walking groups
- **Eric** to contact Colin Rouse to request adaption of new Torphins map to illustrate potential path routes for launch
- **Eric** to make preliminary contact with Iain Smith regarding land access along Beltie Burn south of Torphins
- **Will** to contact Aberdeenshire Council regarding TPG potentially developing path along Woodside Road to B993
- **Next meeting** will be on Tuesday April 25<sup>th</sup> at Platform 22 at 7:30 pm