



A4.4 Cambus Woods Improvements

Project Overview:	<p>This project carried out management at Cambus Woods between the villages of Cambus and Tullibody in Clackmannanshire. Pathway surface improvements and path widening, alongside a programme of woodland management works were designed to increase access to the site and bring the woodlands back into sustainable management.</p> <p>During the project, a professional arboriculturalist was appointed to carry out a Visual Tree Assessment of the safety of some larger trees and made recommendations for management that were then undertaken.</p> <p>This area of woodland and pathways are geographically nextdoor to the work already carried out through C1.3 Cambus Whisky and Woodland Wander, thus expanding the area of managed woodland and accessible pathways in this corner of Clackmannanshire, and bringing active travel and health benefits to local residents and visitors.</p>
Project lead organisation and other organisations involved:	<p>Central Scotland Green Network Trust.</p> <p>Clackmannanshire Council, contractors.</p>
Project Location:	<p>Cambus Woods, Cambus, Clackmannanshire</p> <p>285552, 694368</p>
Project dates	<p>July 2017 to April 2018 (Year 4, quarter 2 to Year 4, quarter 4)</p>

Project Outputs

Measure	Target	Delivered	Notes
<i>Length of path improved and widened to 2.5m</i>	580m	512m	
<i>Number of finger posts installed</i>	2	3	
<i>Number of bridges installed</i>	1	1	
<i>Vegetation managed</i>	N/A	1000m	Vegetation cut back on either side of pathways.
<i>Tree Safety and thinning works undertaken</i>	Not set	2.66ha	
<i>Fly-tipping cleared</i>	Not set	2.66ha	
<i>Standard trees planted</i>	N/A	7	

What difference has this project made to the built, cultural and natural heritage of the Inner Forth?

Tree safety works and thinning has improved the woodland structure and biodiversity value of the woodland.

What difference has this project made to people?

The woodland and pathways run between the villages of Cambus and Tullibody, creating a pleasant wooded walk as an alternative to using the main road. Positive management of the site and improved access for all ages and a variety of abilities has created a safer, more appealing route, and opened up a new connection to the playpark. Management of the site will help to address perceived / actual safety risks by opening up views of the pathway and bringing light into the wooded area.

Useful Links

View the project page on the IFLI website. <http://www.innerforthlandscape.co.uk/projects/conserving-restoring>

Future Plans

The Clackmannanshire Council Ranger Service will promote the path as part of their environmental role within the community. Future maintenance of the path and vegetation encroachment could be done by volunteers and by the council's Community Payback teams.

Lessons Learned

Being able to spot the opportunities is important, and here we were able to extend the path network and create a new link into the community, by utilising the access route that was created by contractors for use during the constructions phase.

Photographic Evidence



New bridge. Previously this was a plank of wood and a very muddy bank between the woodland and a play park.

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Section of path, before.



Section of path, after.



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