

Lenzie

Trail data

- Distance: 5.1km/8.7km
- Potential Trail Hubs: William Patrick Library
- Destination Points: Bridge at Waterside
- Nearby amenities: Kirkintilloch town centre, Library and museum
- Transport connections: Buses at Kirkintilloch, Parking in Kirkintilloch
- Connecting routes: To Torrance, Lenzie, MOC and Twechar
- Distance to next nearest trail: Approx 2.5km to MOC
- Recommended start point: Baldernock Parish Church
- Recommended direction: From Kirkintilloch and then anti-clockwise at Waterside Loop

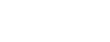
Trail length

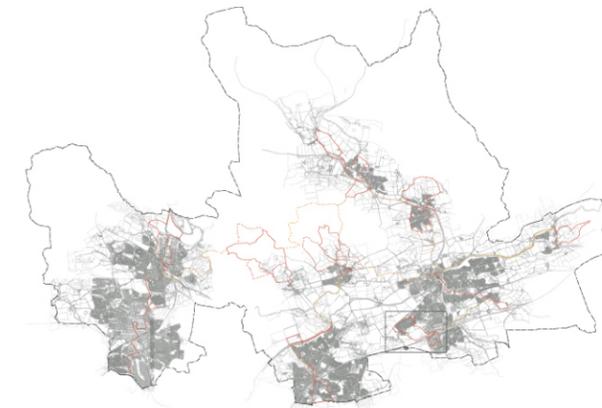
Lenzie Urban Centre loop: 1.6km climbing 12m.
Lenzie Moss loop: 4.5km climbing 33m
Complete loop: 6.1km climbing approximately 45m.

Trail overview

The proposed Lenzie trail forms a figure of eight loop with two distinct loops within. The larger loop follows the Lenzie Moss paths and Christine's Way to form a comprehensive route over Lenzie's central and western edge, whilst the smaller urban loop covers the core of Victorian Lenzie. The railway station provides an ideal starting point for the trail whether pursued as a complete figure of eight or taken as separate trail sections. Either loop could be walked first.

Key to proposed trail map

Recommended Trail Start / Finish	
Destination point / Trail hub	
Heritage interest site	
Viewpoint	
Trail marker	
Trail interpretation point	
Lure location	
EDC boundary	
Proposed Trail route	
Additional / extension trail route	
Recommended connecting routes between trails	
Railway lines	
Railway stations	



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The following maps demonstrate the spatial strategy for the Lenzie trail.

The heritage and proposed trails are presented on two maps per area:

- Map 2A - Existing heritage locations
- Map 2B - Existing heritage locations plus proposed trail routes hubs, lures, interpretation, markers, viewpoints.

The heritage that has been mapped is the information which has been uncovered by the Trails and Tales team through the life of the project from desk research, site visits and community consultations. It is not an exhaustive list but a snapshot of heritage which has been communicated as important in the life of the area. Through the process of matching locations and heritage stories, many important sites have been noted on the following maps. Only heritage which has a place or site associated with it has been shown in the list and maps, however the project does have repositories of other heritage information for each area which are for now 'place-less' but may inform the production of artistic responses in other ways.

We have been as accurate as possible in defining heritage locations but some discrepancies may remain.

Mapped Heritage

01. Lenzie railway station
02. Empire exhibition building
03. Ladie's walk (site of)
04. Kenneth McKellar - Victoria Road 'Machrie Mhor'.
05. Bud Neil cartoonist - Victoria Road
06. Greek Thompson House at Victoria Road
07. Grove Park no.12 - wounded soldiers recuperated here
08. Old Schoolhouse and bowling club - Glenbank Road
09. Annan Photographers house - Glenhead / Auchinloch Road
10. Lanarkshire police station at Auchinloch Road
11. Burnbrae Terrace - Jack Gillespie multi-millionaire
12. Cricket club site (now Arnold Clark) - Auchinloch Road
13. Beatrice Clugston - Lenzie Convalescent Home (Lenzie Hospital site at Auchinloch / Crosshill Road).
14. Lenzie Golf Club
15. Garngaber Rd at bridge - Queen's train used to rest here overnight.
16. Woodilee cottages
17. Woodilee Hospital (site of)
18. Spider Bridge (site of)
19. Main row of shops in village centre - various past uses.
20. Old Parish Church
21. Queen's buildings
22. Fern avenue - interesting fence from Lion Foundry
23. Lenzie Primary school (former)
24. Public hall had a debating society
25. Dean House (between Lenzie Union Parish Church and Lenzie Public Hall - Kirkintilloch Road).
26. St. Cyprian's Church
27. Vendanda Laundry at site of Tom Johnstone House
28. Bea Ray (Bea's path)
29. Lenzie Moss (peat cutting)
30. Peat works
31. Weavers stone - Moss Road - was used as a stage / soap box for public readings of the paper & weavers cottages nearby.

Trail themes

Lenzie's suggested trail theme relates to Merchant's of Glasgow and their villas which have formed the core of the village centre and provide a great deal of interest to the smaller trail loop. The homes or associated buildings of notable characters (Bud Neil, McKellar, Beatrice Clugston) have also proved popular including two references to philanthropic social care and convalescence (Beatrice Clugston's convalescent home and recuperation of wounded veterans at Grove Park).



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Trail description

Lenzie Moss loop:

Starting from Lenzie Railway station car park head towards the end of the north car park parallel to the railway line where signs direct towards Lenzie Moss. The route follows a surfaced path through woodland, following the side of the railway line. Following the path, the route then turns north towards Lenzie Moss Nature reserve and across boardwalks, leaving the woodland behind to emerge into the moss and disused peat workings beyond. The route emerges at Heather Drive and includes a short section through housing. Crossing Boghead Road at the head of Heather Drive, the route continues into Boghead Woodland and passes along the path through the woodland to reach the footpath 'Christine's Way' which follows the course of the Park Burn. The route follows Christine's Way for around 500m until taking a right turn at the path junction back towards Boghead Road. On approaching Boghead Road the trail crosses the road and turns left for 50m to reach a path between housing. Taking a right onto this short path, the trail reaches Oak Drive. At Oak Drive the trail turns right and then second left onto Juniper Court. The trail turns right onto Blackthorn Avenue and immediately left onto Blackthorn Grove where it follows the road round to emerge from the housing into the open ground and return path towards the moss. The trail then follows this northern Moss path back towards the village centre, exiting the moss at Heath Avenue. The trail passes villas on Heath Avenue to emerge at the traffic lights at Kirkintilloch Road where the route turns right to pass the church and the village row of shops before returning to the station car park.

Lenzie Urban Centre loop:

If continuing on the figure of eight loop, the trail crosses the pedestrian railway bridge at the station and turns right towards Alexandra Avenue passing the Empire Exhibition building on the left hand side. The route continues along Alexandra Avenue passing a row of village shops and tenements. Alexandra Avenue curves to the left and at this junction the Ladies' Mile path offers a detour to Crosshill Road, although overgrown. The route then follows Alexandra Road to the T-junction with Heriot Road, which offers views to the fields to the west. The route turns right at Heriot Road towards Victoria Road where the Greek Thomson Villa can be seen. The route takes a left onto Victoria Road and an immediate

right onto Glenhead Road. The context offers views of substantial villas and mature trees in all directions. Following Glenhead Road, the route takes a detour around Grove Park to appreciate the unique setting of this area, with Arts & Crafts villas formed around a central garden. On completing the detour around Grove Park the route returns to Glenhead Road where the junction with Glenbank Road offers views towards the former Schoolhouse and terraced stone villas. The route turns right down a steep incline on Glenhead Road towards Auchinloch Road and turns left onto the main road, continuing along this passing villas such as the Annan House and the old Police Station. The route continues along Auchinloch Road which turns into Kirkintilloch Road as it approaches the railway bridge. The route then follows the road under the bridge and climbs back to the north station car park with views towards the embankment and church tower ahead. This completes the loop back to the railway station.



Christine's Way



Path at Lenzie Station (Bea Ray's path) and village centre



Boghead Wood, Empire Exhibition building, Grove Park, Greek Thompson House, Lenzie Moss