

Welcome to ARNEY COMMUNITY TRAILS

This landscape has been an ancient routeway for thousands of years and was used by traders, adventurers and armies. The Battle of the Ford of the Biscuits was fought here in 1594, and the ruins of 18th century Nixon Hall nestles within a landscaped demesne of rolling drumlins. These looped community trails offer a unique walking experience with panoramic views of the Arney River Valley, Knockninny Hill, Enniskillen, Benaughlin, Belmore and CUILCAGH Mountains.

Arney Battlefield Trail

Distance: 2 km

Grade: **Easy**

Time to complete: 45 mins

This figure-of-eight trail rises gently above the surrounding countryside before dropping down to the site of the Battle of the Ford of the Biscuits. Enjoy the views over the Red Meadow and the fording point on the Arney River in the middle distance. Retrace your steps to continue around the GAA pitch and over the footbridge to complete the loop.

Easy Grade: Suitable for most people in good health. Accessible for some buggies.
Surface Type: Sealed surface - i.e. compacted stone
Gradient: Relatively flat but may include some short steep climbs and descents.

These guidelines must always be used in conjunction with the exercise of your own experience, intuition and careful judgement.

Nixon Hall Trail

Distance: 3.9 km

Grade: **Moderate**

Time to complete: 1 hour

This looped trail leads to the ruins of Nixon Hall, where a spur continues to a viewpoint offering views of Laragh Lough and Upper Lough Erne. From Nixon Hall, continue along a farm track to the top of a drumlin to enjoy extensive views to the west. From here a second optional spur leads to the summit of Mullanaman, where local women are said to have watched the Battle of the Ford of the Biscuits. From here experience panoramic views of the surrounding countryside before retracing your steps to join the main trail through open farmland to Arney Hall.

The Mullanaman spur section traverses a field that may contain cattle at certain times of the year. No dogs are allowed on this section, and extra caution is required.

Moderate Grade: Suitable for those with a good standard of fitness.
Surface Type: Variable but stable surface, may be slightly uneven and include loose material.
Gradient: Includes some steep climbs and descents.

These guidelines must always be used in conjunction with the exercise of your own experience, intuition and careful judgement.



SCAN ME
QR code to Memory Map web page



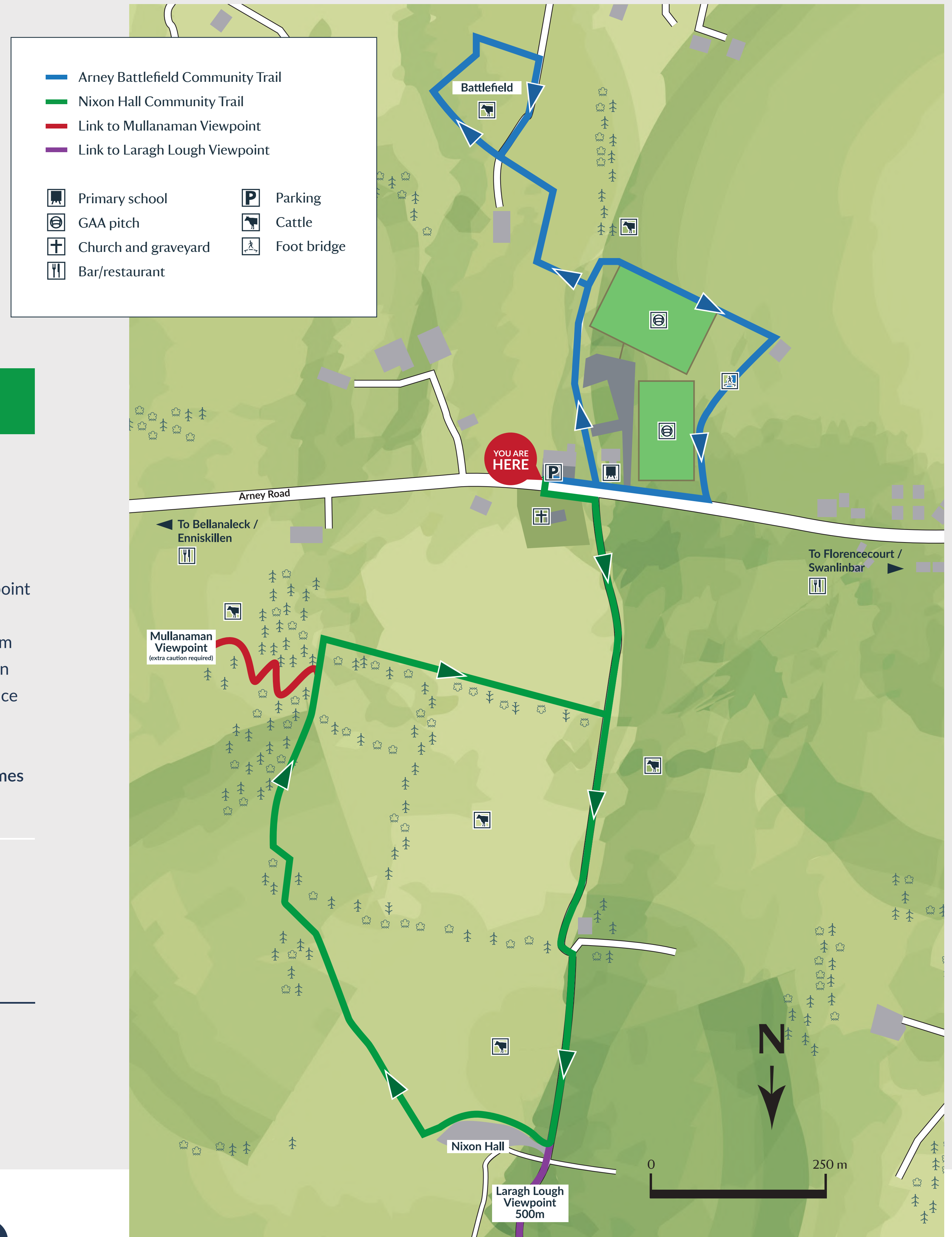
Follow the colour coded direction discs on posts located along the trail. Use your mobile phone to scan the QR codes on posts to find out more about the rich history and heritage of the trails and the surrounding landscape.

- These trails are located within a working farm environment and may be subject to diversion and closure from time to time.
- Please be aware of farm vehicles and equipment and exercise caution.
- The Mullanaman spur section traverses a field that may contain cattle at certain times of the year. No dogs are allowed on this section, and extra caution is required.
- Observe all warnings, notices and signs during your visit.
- Be a good neighbour. Please respect the landowners and other trail users.

- Bring your litter back and bin it.
- Close gates behind you.
- Dogs can scare or harm farm animals, so they must be kept on a lead at all times.
- Please remove your dog waste.
- Please respect the natural or built heritage that make up this beautiful landscape.



To report an issue:
+353 (0) 719 853 692
martina.oneill@fermanaghomagham.com
Emergency Services call 999



These trails have been funded by:



Without the support and permission of local landowners and neighbours in the community these trails could not have been developed. We gratefully acknowledge the support of Gary McBrien, Peggy and Philip Owens, Marie and Peter Owens, Jackie and Leo Owens, Carmel and John O'Brien, Belnaleck GAA, Clogher Diocesan Trust, NI Water, Cleenish Community Association and Charles Crawford.

Cuilcagh to Cleenish: A Great Place was supported by the National Lottery through the Heritage Lottery Fund and Fermanagh and Omagh District Council. The partnership project was delivered by Outdoor Recreation Northern Ireland (lead partner), Cleenish Community Association, Killesher Community Development Association and the Marble Arch Caves UNESCO Global Geopark (Fermanagh and Omagh District Council).