

SCOTTISH BORDERS COUNCIL

NOTICE TO EXEMPT LAND FROM ACCESS RIGHTS

CRAIK FOREST, YAIR FOREST, CARDRONA FOREST AND ELIBANK FOREST

14 MARCH 2026

Notice is hereby given under Section 11(9) of the Land Reform (Scotland) Act 2003 (“the Act”) that on 2 March 2026 The Scottish Borders Council made The Scottish Borders Council (CRAIK FOREST, YAIR FOREST, CARDRONA FOREST AND ELIBANK FOREST) (Exemption from Access Rights) Order 2026 (“the Order”) under section 11(1) of the Act.

The effect of the Order is to exempt the following land owned by Forestry and Land Scotland from the access rights which would otherwise be exercisable in respect of that land by virtue of Part 1 of the Act:

- (1) Craik Forest, 14th March 2026, 0600 - 1200hrs: as shown delineated and cross-hatched in red on the map marked “Scottish Borders Craik Forest Area” annexed and executed as relative hereto;
- (2) Yair Forest, 14th March 2026, 0830-1900hrs: as shown delineated and cross-hatched in red on the map marked “Yair Forest Area Includes a Section of Core Path 189 Southern Upland Way” annexed and executed as relative hereto;
- (3) Cardrona Forest, 14th March 2026, 0900-1900hrs: as shown delineated and cross-hatched in red on the map marked “Cardrona Forest Area” annexed and executed as relative hereto;
- (4) Elibank Forest, 14th March 2026, 0930-1900: as shown delineated and cross-hatched in red on the map marked “Elibank and Traquair Forest Area” annexed and executed as relative hereto; and

In relation to Yair Forest, Core path 189 (Southern Upland Way) is included in this order – marshalls will allow path users on Southern Upland Way to cross the rally route safely at appropriate times.

The purpose for which the Order is made is to accommodate the safe operation of the Border Counties Rally 2026.

The Order will be in effect from 06:00 hours to 20:00 on Saturday 14 March 2026 unless revoked earlier.

A copy of the Order illustrating the exempted land can be inspected at www.scotborders.gov.uk/downloads/download/357/path_closures or at Council Headquarters, Newtown St Boswells and the Council’s Contact Centre at High Street, Hawick and High Street Peebles and may be inspected there free of charge during normal business hours when offices are open.

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Solicitor and Proper Officer

Council Headquarters
Newtown St Boswells
Melrose
TD6 OSA
2 March 2026

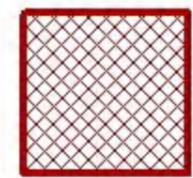
This is the map marked "Cardrona Forest Area" referred to in the foregoing Notice to Exempt Land from Access Rights by the Scottish Borders Council



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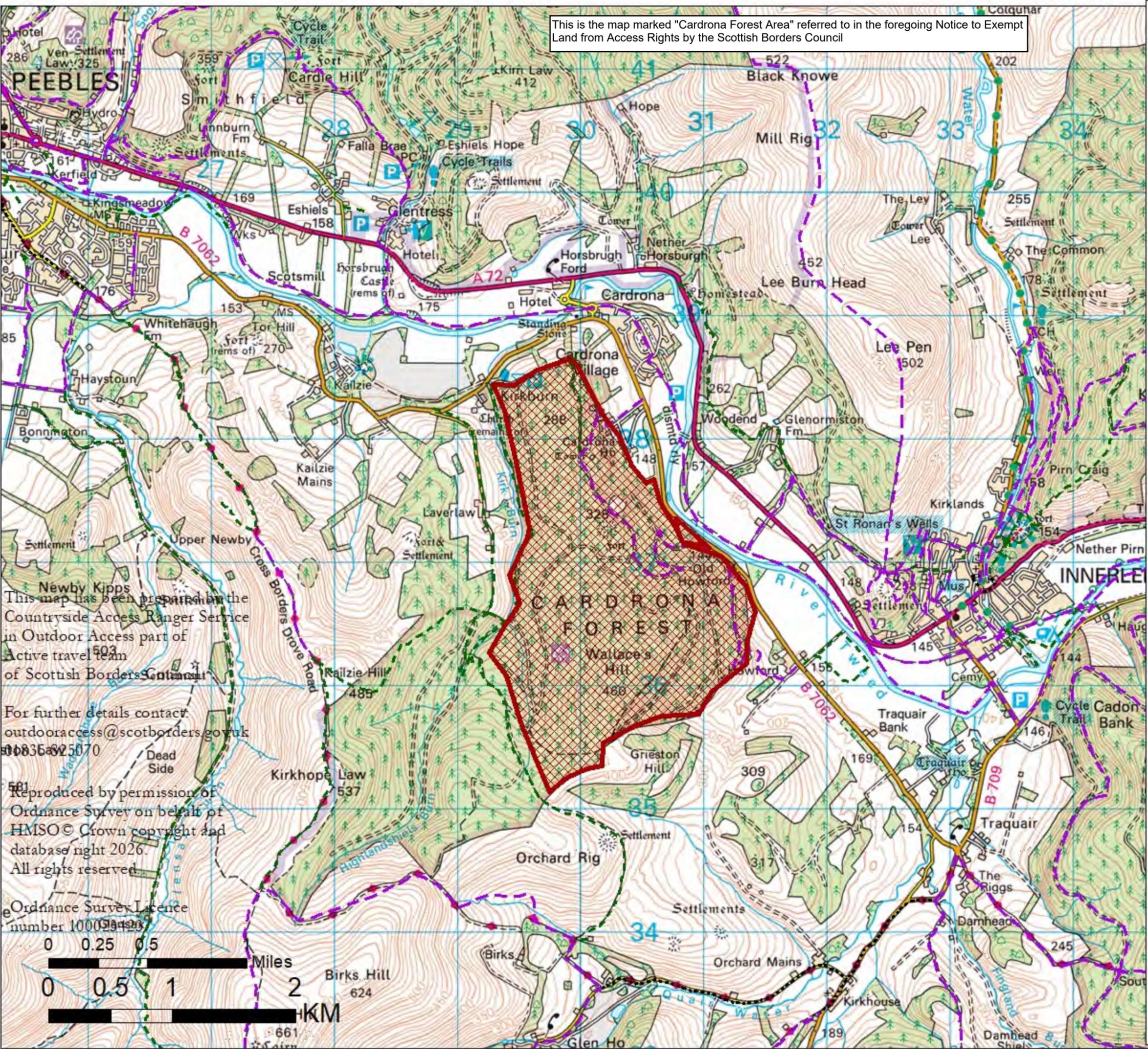
CARDRONA FOREST AREA

Legend



AREA EXEMPT

- Managed Path SBC (Core Path, Promoted Route; Aspirational Core Path)
- Other (Right of Way; Permissive/ Customary Path; Longer-term Aspirational Path)
- Path Link on SBC Adopted Road (No Pavement) (Core Path Link and Promoted routes)

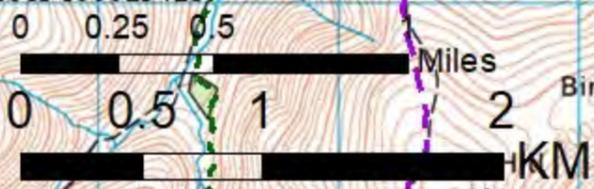


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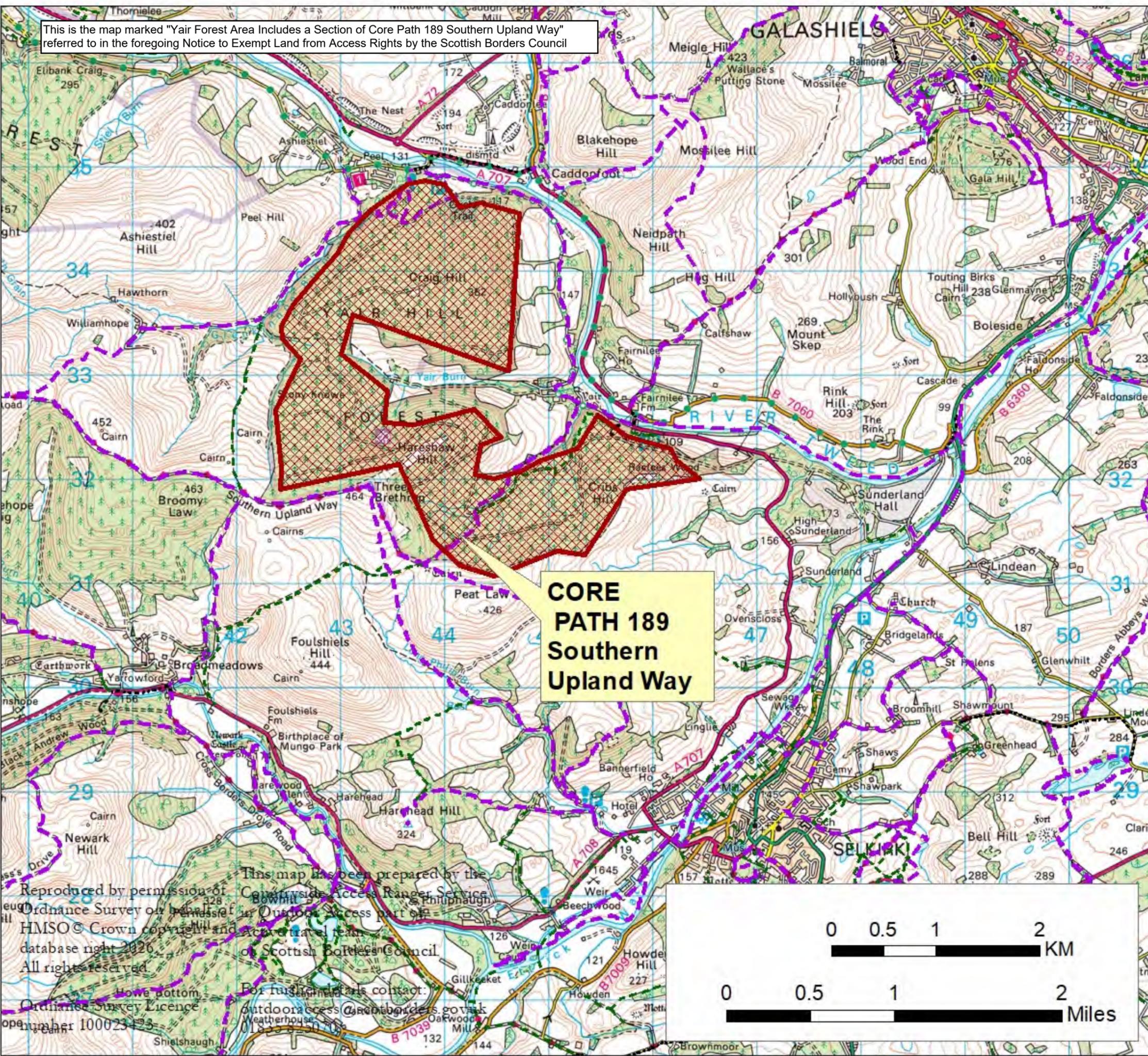


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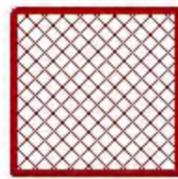
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YAIR FOREST AREA INCLUDES A SECTION OF CORE PATH 189 SOUTHERN UPLAND WAY



CORE PATH 189 Southern Upland Way

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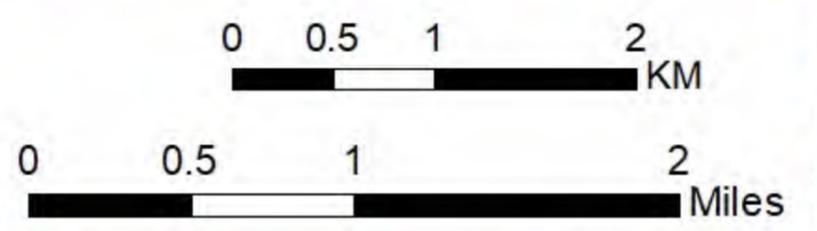


AREA EXEMPT

Managed Path SBC (Core Path, Promoted Route; Aspirational Core Path)

Other (Right of Way; Permissive/ Customary Path; Longer-term Aspirational Path)

Path Link on SBC Adopted Road (No Pavement) (Core Path Link and Promoted routes)



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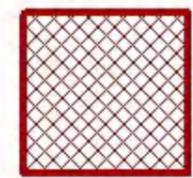
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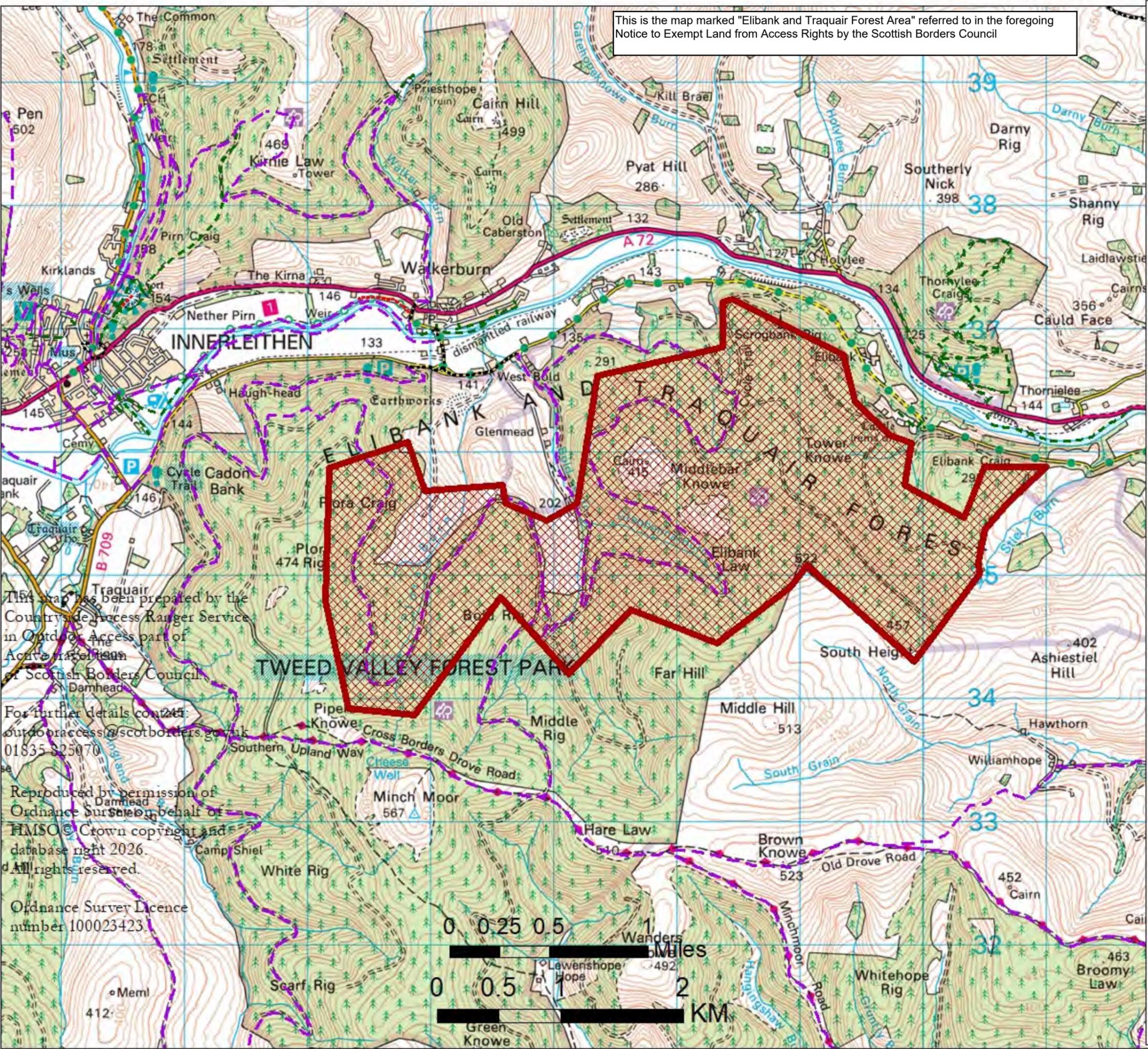
ELIBANK and TRAQUIR FOREST AREA

Legend



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-  Path Link on SBC Adopted Road (No Pavement) (Core Path Link and Promoted routes)

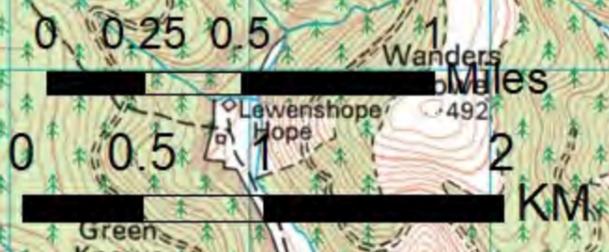


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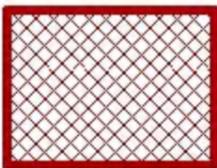
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SCOTTISH BORDERS CRAIK FOREST AREA

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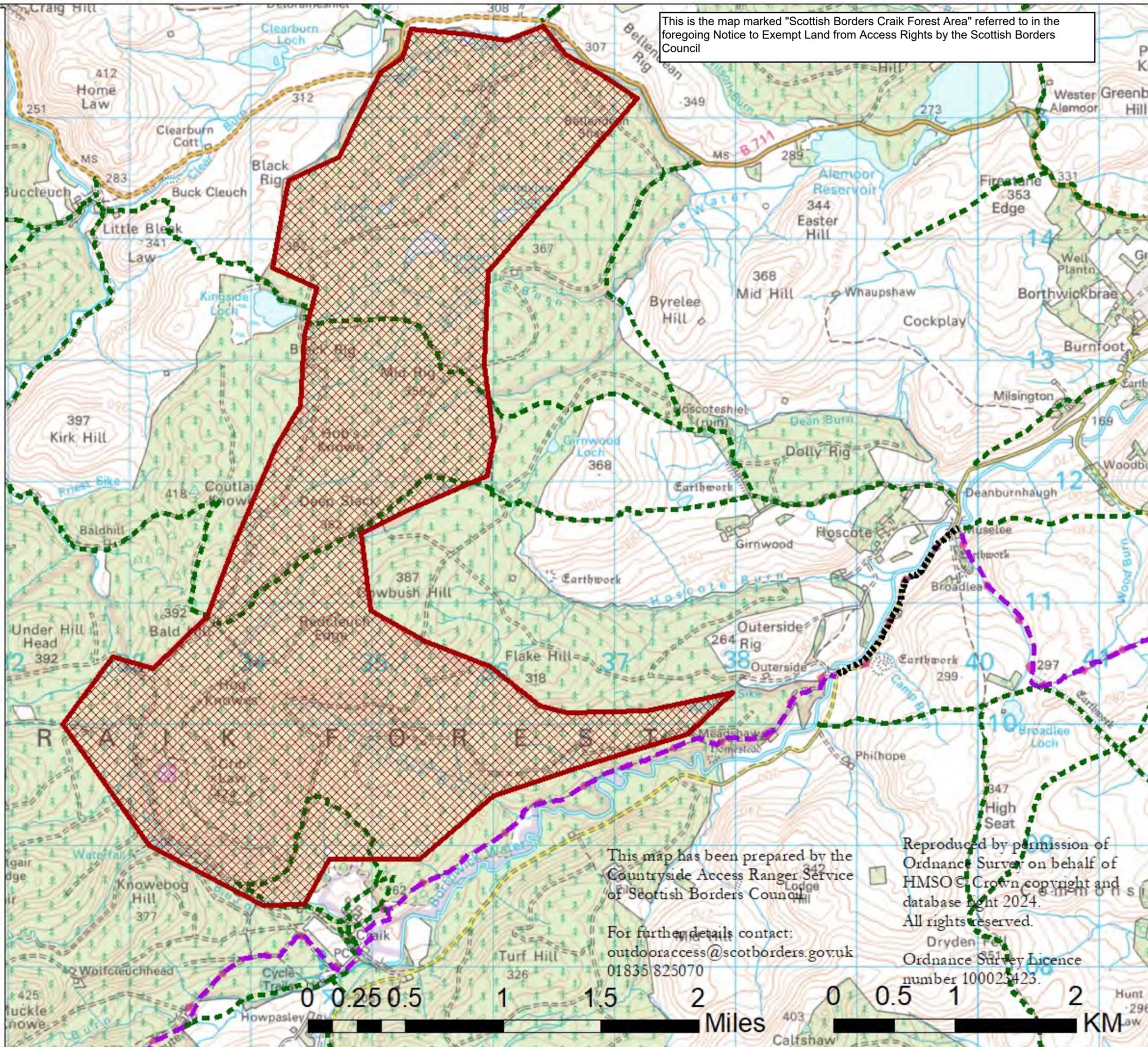
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