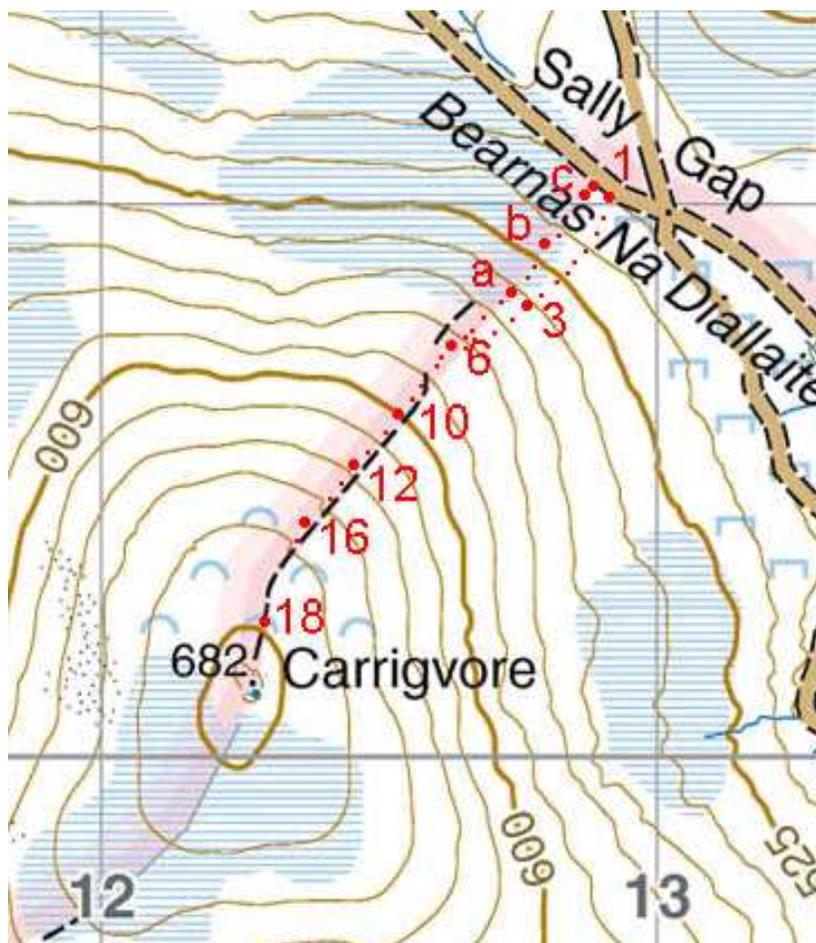


Wicklow Mountains Path Survey

Sally Gap - Carrigvore	
Start to Finish:	O 12905 11046 to O 12280 10120
Altitude (lowest – highest):	500m – 682m
Weather:	Rain, poor visibility
Access:	Sally Gap
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Abbreviations used:

- pw = path width
- tape = measuring tape set to 0.5m or 1m in a photograph for scale
- NSEW = North, South, East, West
- pic = photograph
- avg = average

No	Pos Irish Grid O	Comments / Photographs
1	12905 11046	Start NW of Sally Gap crossroads
2		<p>Three or four paths, maybe more, lead up onto Carrigvore from Sally Gap crossroads, converging further up into one path. Due to the poor visibility I was not able to find any more paths further up.</p> <p>These paths from the crossroads are single file in width, going up between heather on a soft peat surface</p>
3	12777 10818	<p>pic1 looking back down shows the muddy path up through the heather; waterlogged on the short flat sections, a water channel on the steeper grades; tape 0.5m; crossroads below</p> 

4	same	<p data-bbox="430 142 1156 212">pic2 looking up ahead shows the path, indistinct again; tape 0.5m;</p> 
5		<p data-bbox="430 1182 1304 1283">the next section of path is on soft peat with heather on both sides; avg width 0.5m, widening out to 1m now and again; a watercourse in wet weather</p>

6	12658 10750	<p>path junction; a wider more eroded path, over 1m wide, comes in from the right; NOTE: this path is mapped at the end of this survey (see below)</p>  <p>pic3 looking back down shows this wider path, a watercourse; the narrower path also holding water; tape 1m</p>
7	same	<p>pic4 looking up shows the path ahead; tape in the same position; the path, 2.7m wide at the junction, narrows further up</p> 

8	12617 10711	pic28 looking up shows the path above the junction 
9	150m on up	pw = 1m with more vegetation on the path
10	12548 10632	path braiding; pic5 looking back down shows the path widening as walkers attempt to stay dry ground; tape 0.5m is on a bank 30cm high; underneath is a water channel 

11	same	<p>pic6 (tape in same position) looking up shows the path ahead; pw along this section avg 1m</p> 
12	12470 10550	<p>boggy (bare peat) surface finishes; the path surface is more grassy ahead; pic7 looking back down; tape 1m</p> 

13	same	<p>pic8 looking up shows the grassy path ahead; pw now single file i.e. less than 0.5m; tape in same position</p> 
14	40m on up	path braiding briefly
15	12412 10475	total pw out to 5-6m for a distance of c.15m; within this there is braiding x 3
16	12388 10444	<p>pic9 looking up shows the path on grass / stone; tape 1m</p>  <p>the path surface on the section ahead has more bare stone</p>

<p>17</p>	<p>12326 10366</p>	<p>pic10 looking back down shows this section; grass / stone / water on the surface; tape 1m;</p>  <p>just behind where the photograph was taken the path is braiding where walkers are going out to avoid the stone / water surface</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>12300 10250</p>	<p>the next section of path goes through eroded peat hags on a corridor c. 5-6m wide; the surface is of grass / stone / peat / water</p>  <p>pic11 looking back shows this</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>12280 10120</p>	<p>Carrigvore summit</p>

6 a b c 1		Second path from junction (No. 6, shown in pic3) down to road, shown on the map and mapped by gps at: 12658 10750 junction 12743 10855 12805 10929 12875 11013 12905 11046 road
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