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A gentle cycle along the flat leafy lanes between Tobermore and Maghera crisscrossing the Moyola River.

The otter favours river banks and lake habitats is alive, well and widespread in Ireland, although its nocturnal habits and extreme shyness renders it elusive to all but the most patient.



Points of Interest



Maghera

Maghera, which means 'Plain of the Fort' is a site of religious significance from ancient times. Tirnoney Dolmen and Granaghan Old Church lie outside the town and you can also visit the mass rock at Kearney's Glen.

St. Lurach's Church

St. Lurach's Church in Maghera dates back to the 10th century and the sculpture of the crucifixion above the doorway is said to be among the earliest in Ireland.

Tobermore

Tobermore, meaning 'The Big Well' is a small village set in a natural hollow, along the base of a slope, just above the flood plain of the Moyola River. The village is a linear settlement that grew along a country road that became Main Street. Kilonaghan Parish Church provides a focus at the western end of the steeply rising Main Street.

The Moyola River

The Moyola flows from its source in the Sperrins through the District past Draperstown, Tobermore and Castledawson to Lough Neagh. A good salmon and dollaghan river, the Moyola also holds some nice resident brown trout and offer excellent fishing on the fly, spinner and worm.

Tirkane Sweathouse, Maghera

Tirkane Sweathouse is a well preserved rectangular structure built against the side of a hill. According to historians, a Sweathouse is a primitive fore runner for the modern Turkish baths, which are know in Germany as Irish Baths. There are only a few such sweathouses in Northern Ireland.



The Moyola Cycle Route

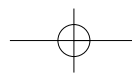


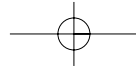
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Leafy Lanes and Meandering Rivers



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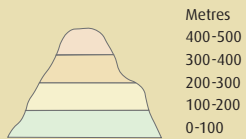




MAP KEY

- Classified Road
- Cycle Route On Road
- Cycle Route Traffic Free
- National Route (with no.)
- Church
- Public House
- Tourist Information Centre
- Public Convenience
- Cafe
- Post Office
- Shop
- Public Telephone
- Ancient Monument
- Millennium Signpost

Height Information



Route Signage:

The **9** signage will guide you along the Moyola Cycle Route.

Advice & Recommendations:

- Take care when crossing the busy A6

Local Tourist Information Points:

- Information Panel located in Maghera Town Centre.
- Nearest Tourist Information Centre, Magherafelt
Tel: 028 79631510

Cycle Shop:

- The nearest cycle shops are located in Castledawson and Moneymore.

Ulsterbus Public Transport:

- Magherafelt
Tel: 028 7963 2218

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