

South Queensferry course 5 routechoice analysis

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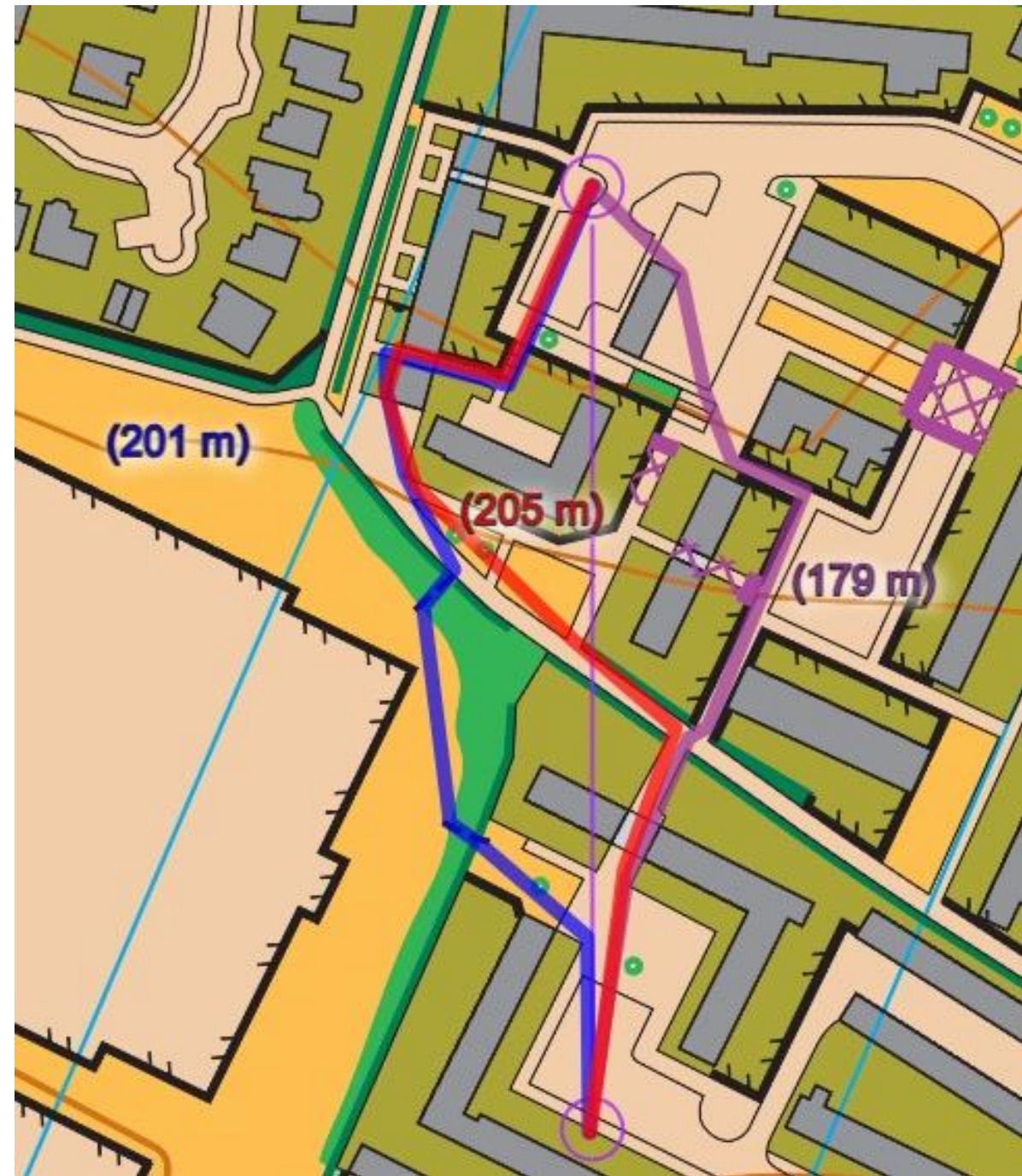
Leg 1

A reasonably decisive route choice for #1. Left 15m shorter but maybe a bit slower on the grass.



Leg 2

Right is shortest for this leg with the barrier blocking off the most direct route. Both of the left routes basically the same.



Leg 4

An interesting leg because right (green) is shortest by 13m, but left (purple) is much easier and simpler to execute with it having fewer tight turns, which would give you the chance to plan ahead for future legs.



Leg 7

A complex routechoice leg with 3 options. Right (green) is the shortest but middle (blue), is only 4m longer so both are good options. Right (red) is a bit too long, you'd probably lose a few seconds picking this route.



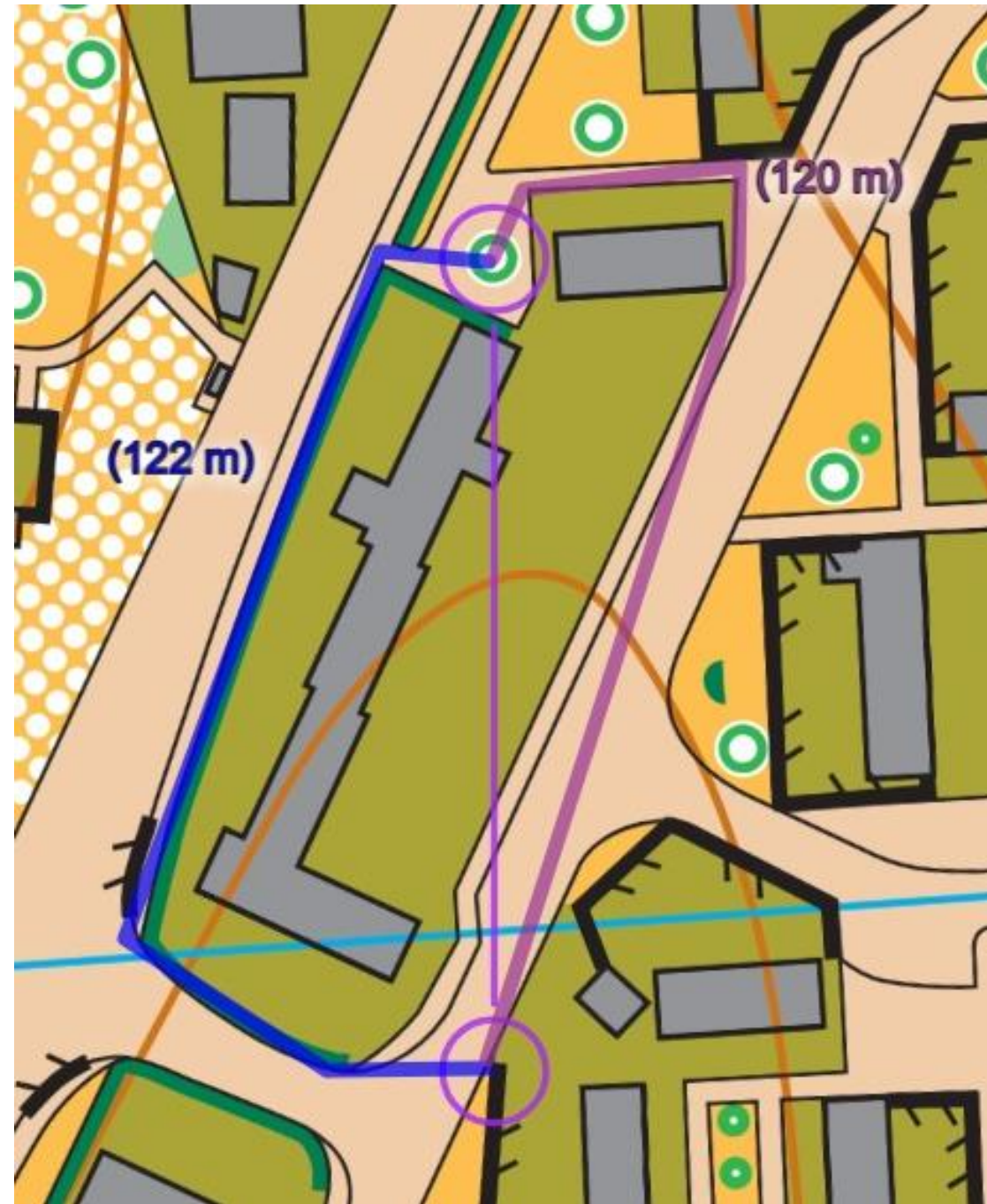
Leg 10

Middle (red) is a little bit shorter than right or left on this leg. Only 10m in it though so no real significant time loss for picking purple or green.



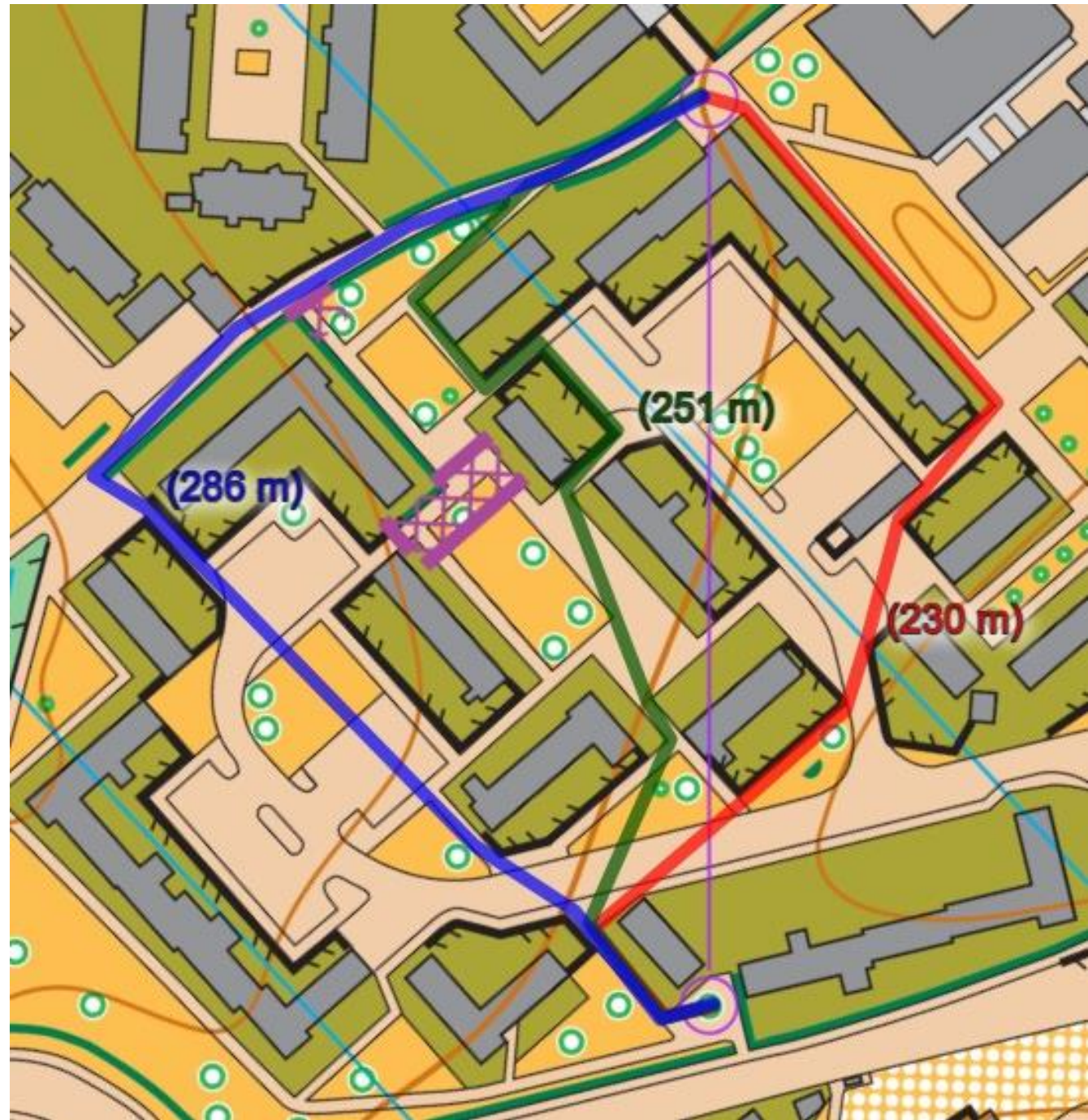
Leg 11

A 50/50 for this leg, either of the options are good.



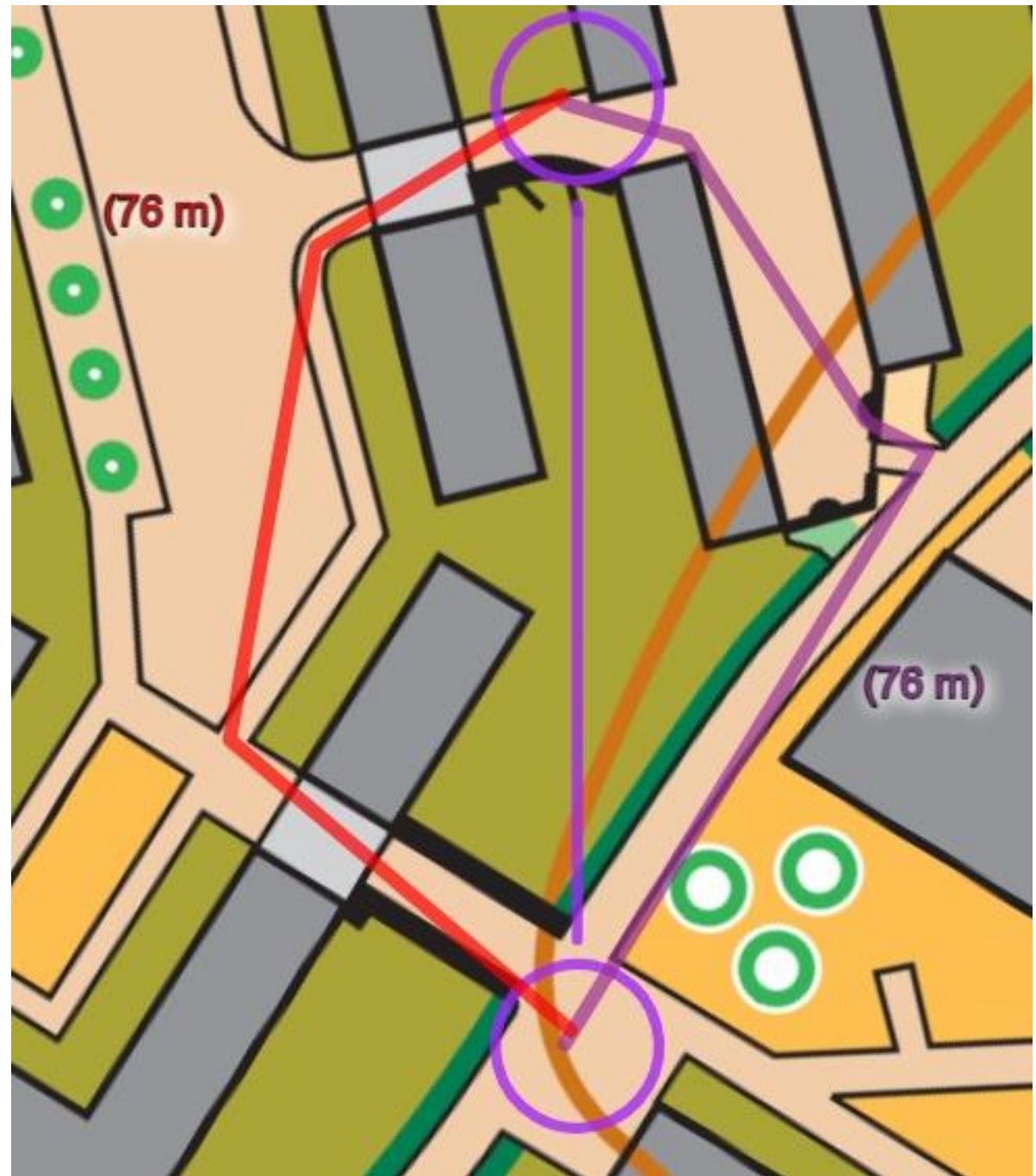
Leg 12

A decisive leg with 3 options of varying length. Right (red) is the shortest and offers a long simple straight just before the control to be able to make a plan for a future leg, so it's definitely the correct option.



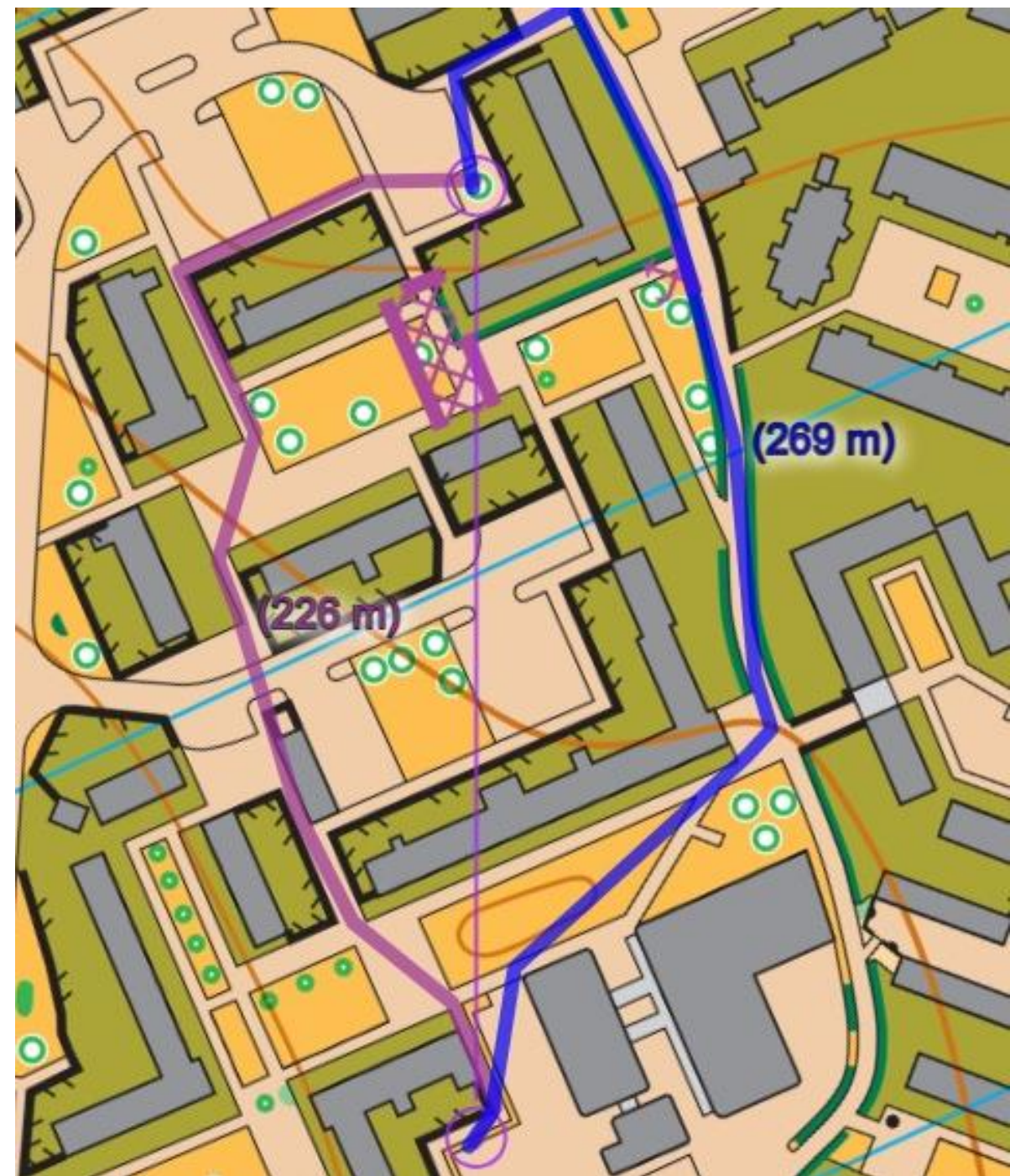
Leg 13

A non eventful 50/50.



Leg 15

Left is a clear 40m shorter here, having to come round the back of the control at the end of the right route just adds too much distance.



Hope you enjoyed the course, it's been about 6 months in the making. Many thanks have to go to the controller Graeme Ackland, organisers Jim Bailey/Fiona Eades, map layout/tech support Joe Sunley, as well as numerous pre runs and general advice on the planning process from all of the above plus a few more friends. Enjoy the ceilidh. Frank

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