

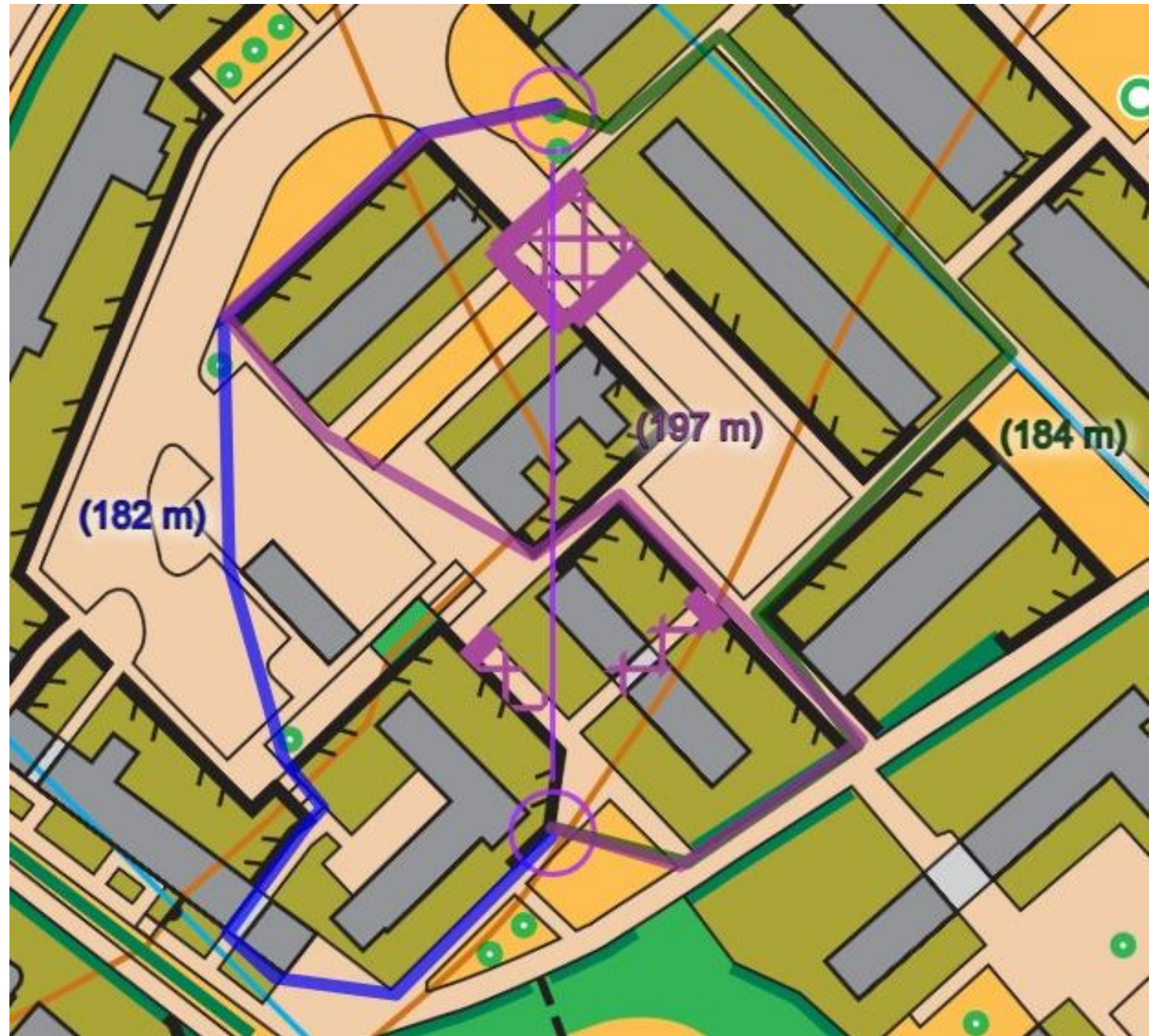


South Queensferry course 7
routechoice analysis

Edinburgh 2024

Leg 3

An interesting leg with 3 options. Right and left both about the same distance with middle being a bit longer but left has some twisty step in tight alleyways so might be a bit slower. Apologies for #2 being slightly in the wrong place, I only found out that the fence had fallen down on Thursday, hope it didn't affect anyone's race!



Leg 7

A complex routechoice leg with 3 options, and it will have been hard to evaluate after two twisty, execution based legs before it. 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.



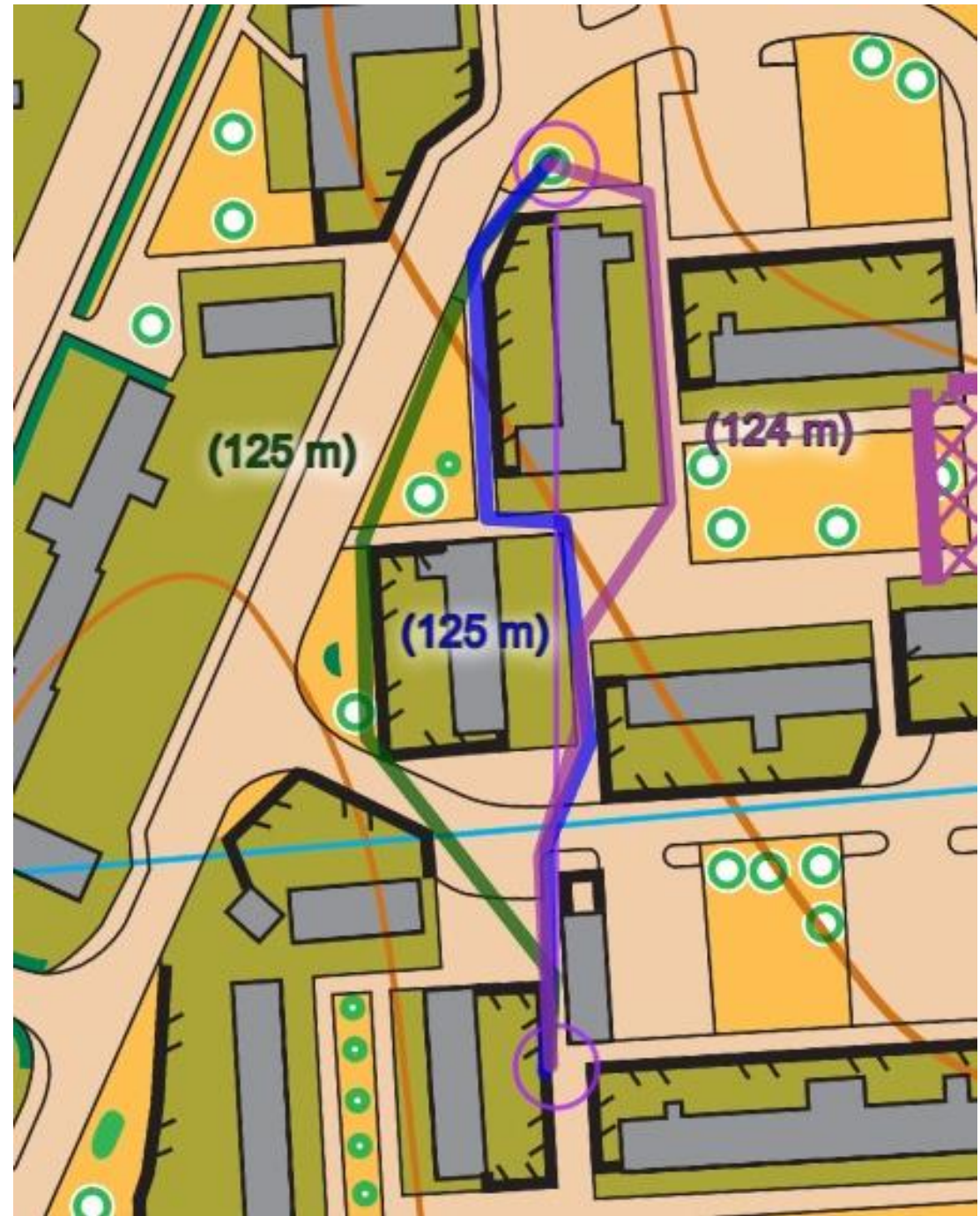
Leg 8

Three choices on this leg again, the middle route (red) is marginally shorter than right (purple) with left (green) being quite a lot longer than both of them.



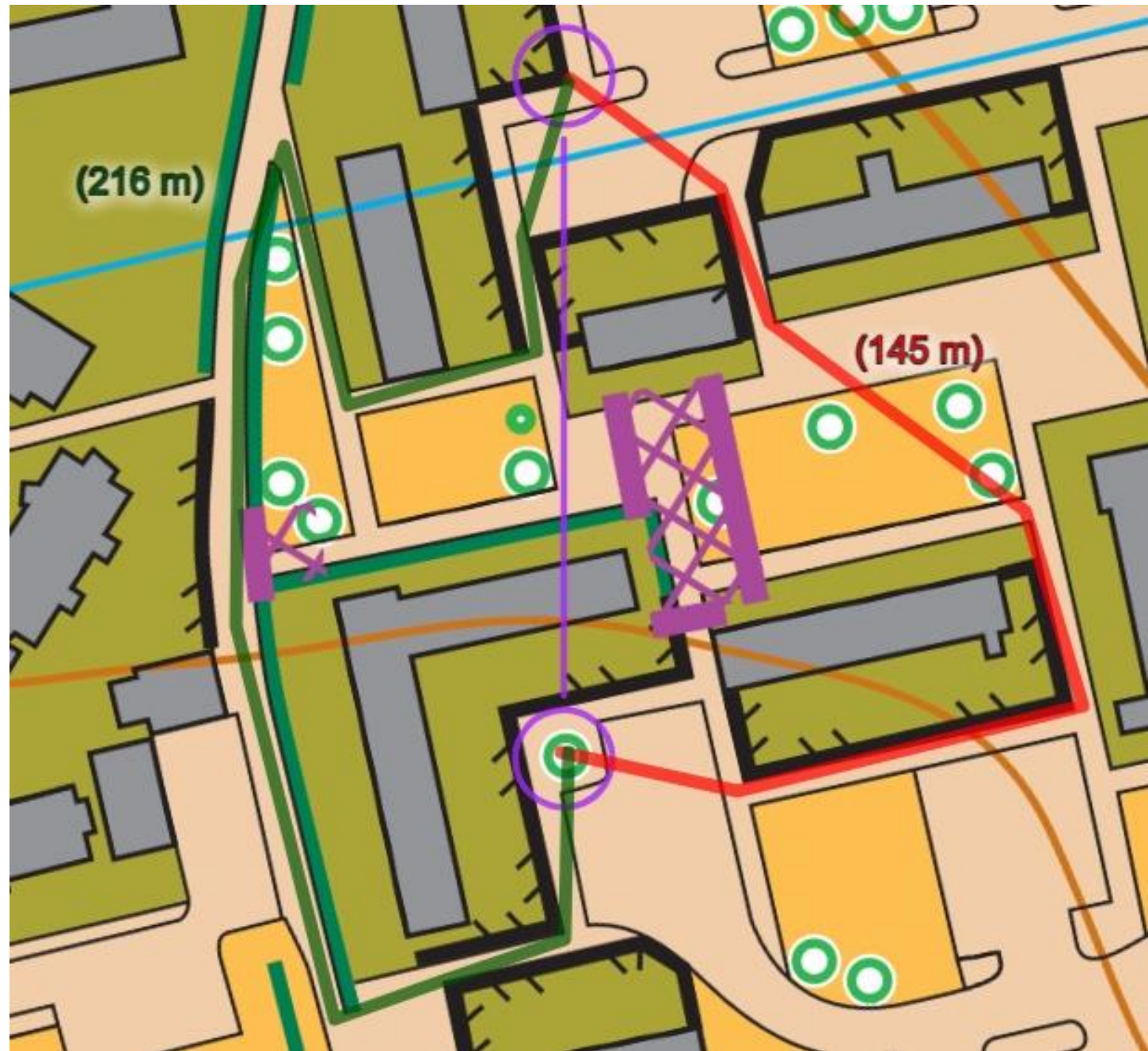
Leg 11

Not very important which route you pick on this leg, just need to execute it well.



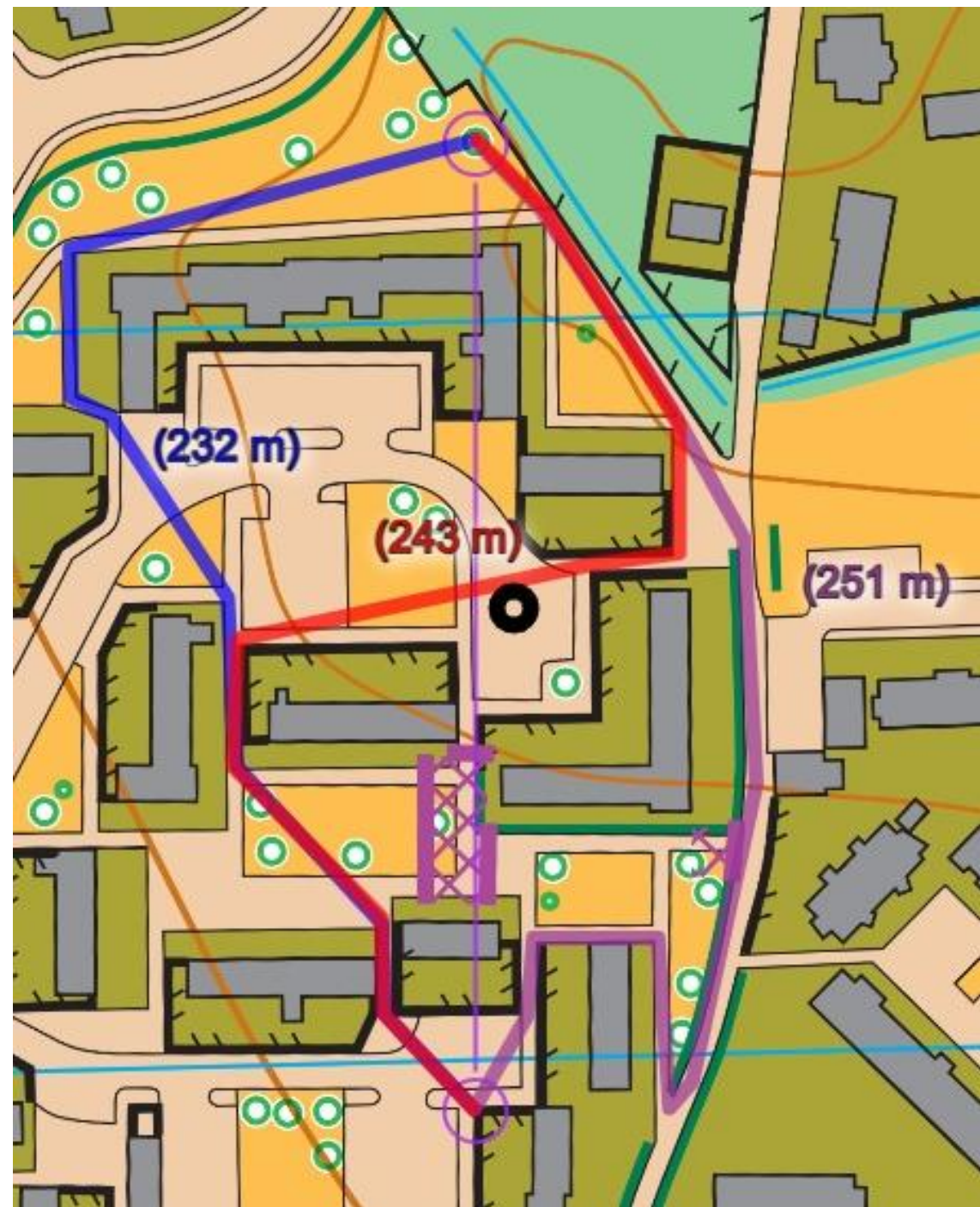
Leg 13

A very decisive route choice leg here. Right (green) is a huge 70m shorter than right (red), the chicane around the hedge just adds too much distance on this route.



Leg 14

My favourite leg of the course. It comes after a few transitional execution style legs so you hopefully had enough time to evaluate the route choices. Having a barrier on the hedge next to #27 creates a really interesting feature that makes the right route much longer than it otherwise would've been. A few seconds gained for going left I would say.



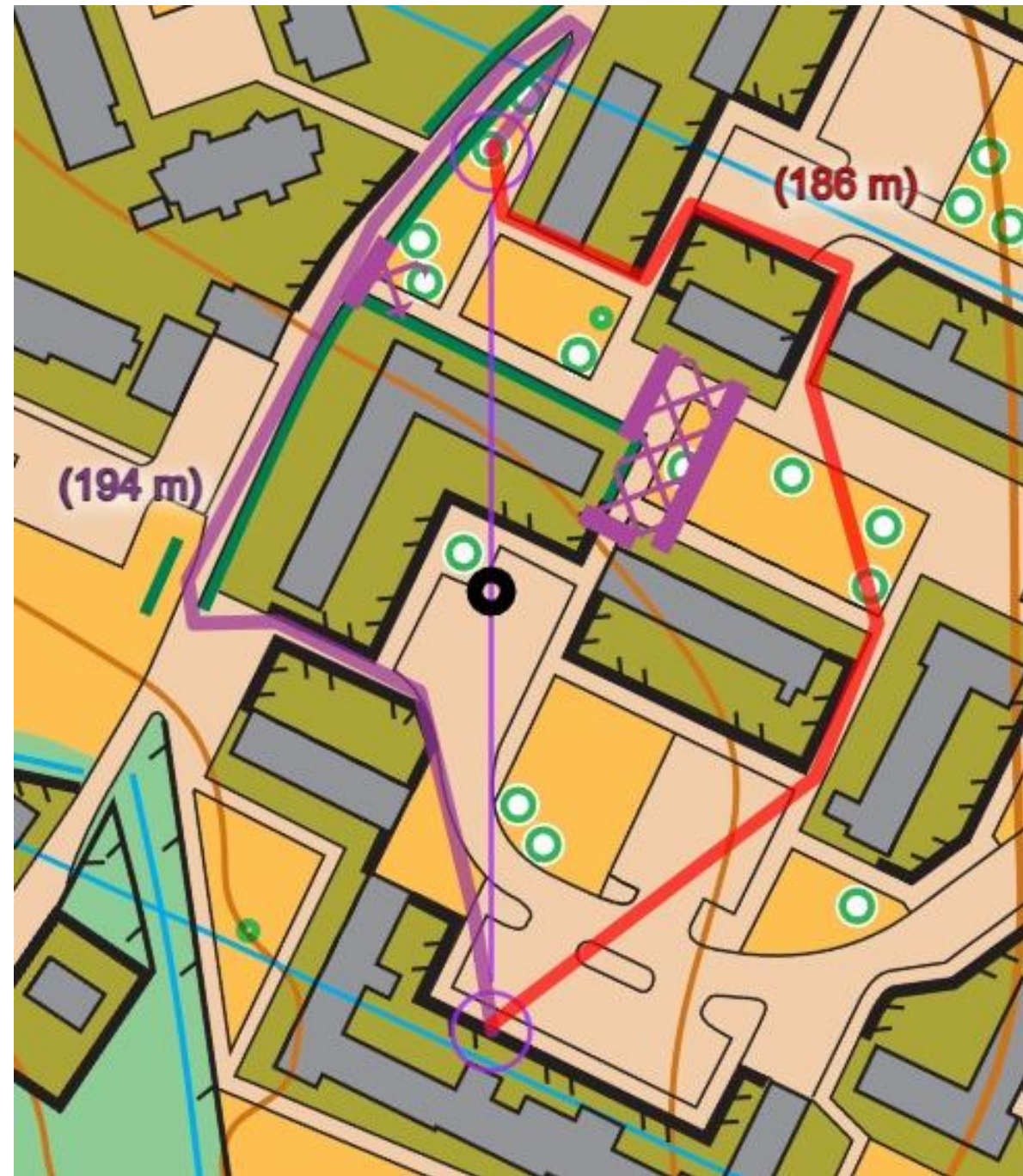
Leg 15

Just a 50/50, but maybe tough to judge straight after the map flip. Potentially slightly quicker to go left due to the grass being slippery on the right (green) choice



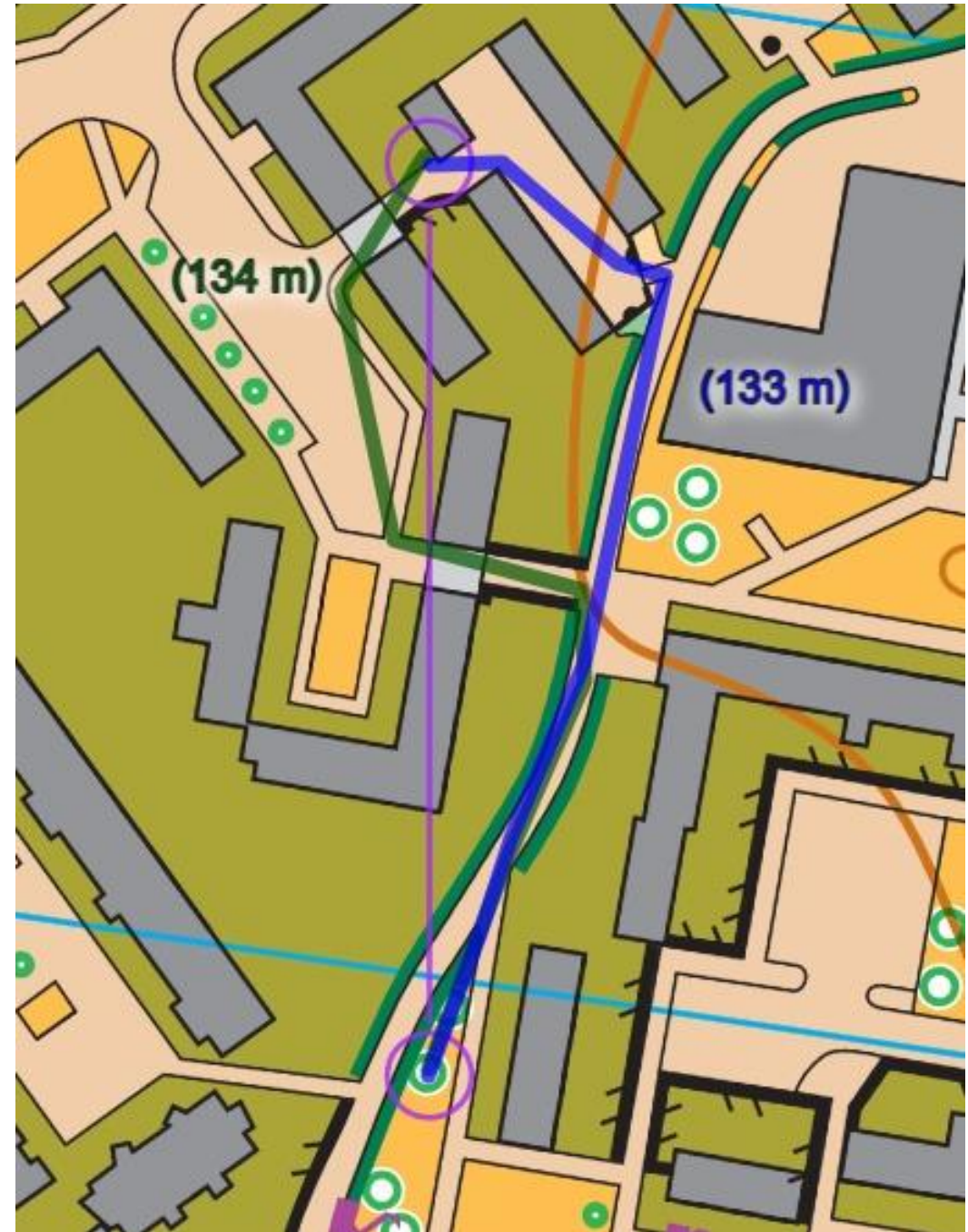
Leg 16

More use of the elongated hedge feature. Right is shorter but not significantly so, and left has less tight turns and the opportunity to get up to speed so the two routes are probably about the same time wise.



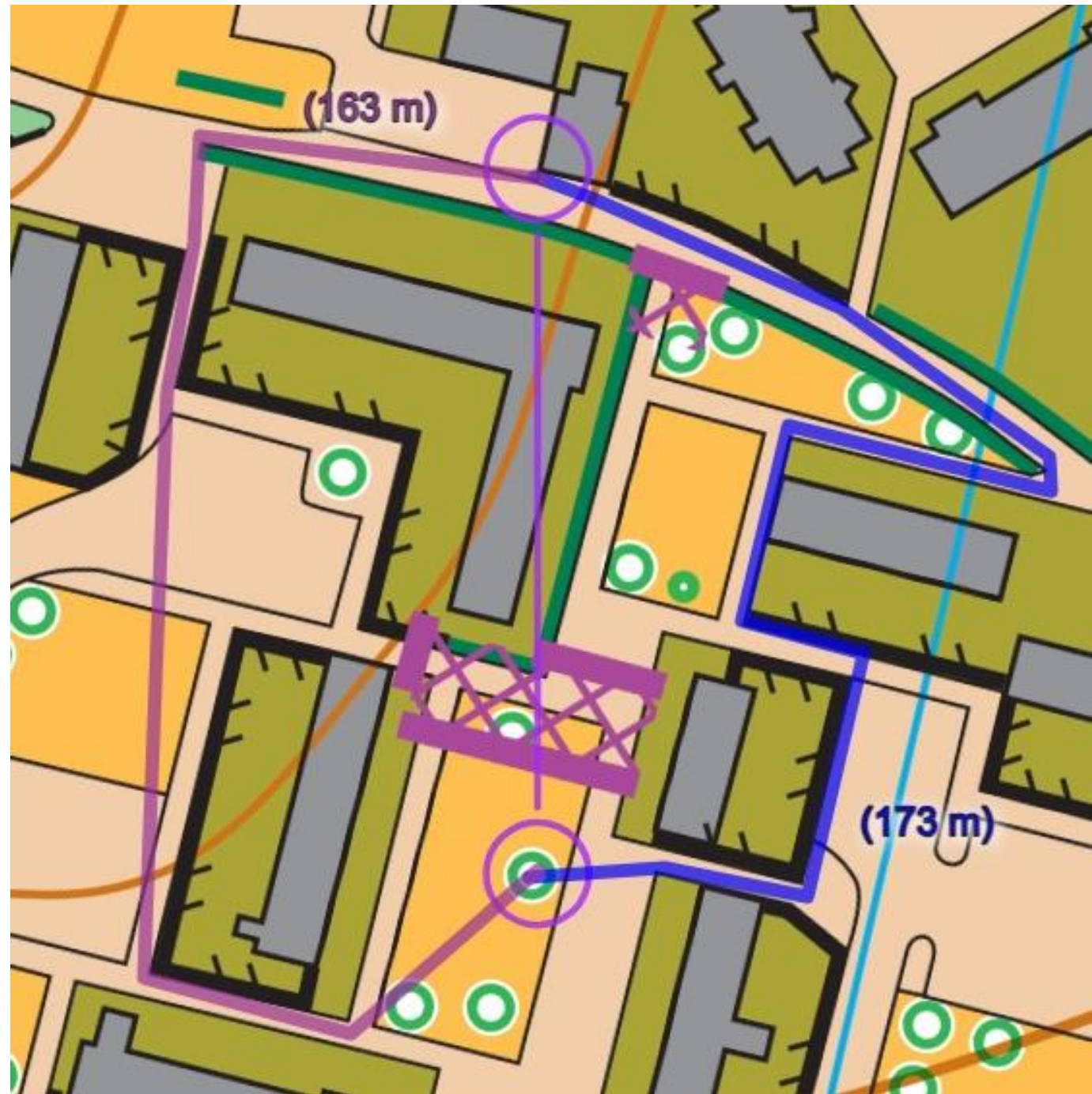
Leg 17

A 50/50, the steps down from the retaining wall on the right route choice are quite awkward so left is probably slightly quicker.



Leg 20

One last use of the hedge to create a nice leg here. Left 10m shorter, not completely decisive, but definitely worth a couple of seconds.



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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