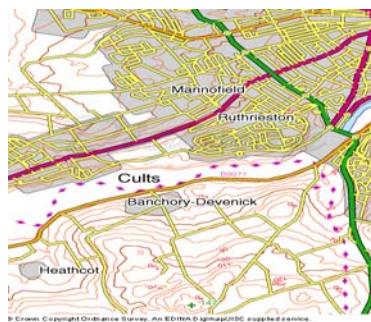


Map Provision in the Library

The library has a variety of map information available, both historical and current. Historical maps are available in printed form and on CD-Rom at The Georgina Scott Sutherland Library. Current maps are available on-line via Edina Digimap. Printed maps are kept in map chests on Floor 5 and the CD-Rom is in the Local Collection. Contact Library staff if you want to access them.

Edina Digimap

Edina Digimap supplies Ordnance Survey map data for educational use.



As you can see above the map can be supplied in a variety of scales, from 1:250,000 right down to 1:500. The Basic service can be used by simply clicking on the map of the UK and moving down through fixed scales until you get to a more detailed map of the area you want. This will normally be 1:1250 for urban areas; 1:2500 for rural areas; and 1:10000 for moor land/mountain areas. 1:1250 is suitable for many architectural uses. The map can then be printed off or saved to a file.

For more advanced use Digimap Carto allows the user to vary the scale to suit their purpose e.g. if you want to show a bigger area you can increase the scale if you want detail on individual buildings go down to 1:500. from Carto you can print out on large sizes of paper up to A0 (note the library can only print up to A3 size).

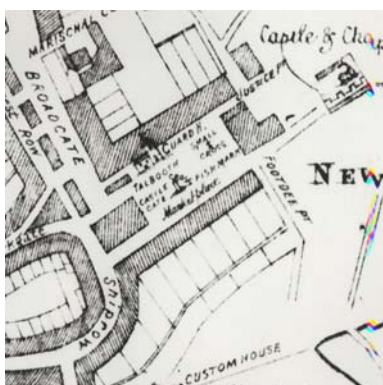
Staff and students can register to use Digimap for themselves. You have to fill out a form on-line from the Digimap website which you can access via the Library Web Pages. It takes two days before your registration is processed. If you simply want a

map for a specific project Client Services staff will do this for you. Please ask at the Library desk. No charge is made for this service. Normally you will get your map right away. However Carto map will take a little longer since they have to be altered in Photoshop before they can be printed.

Note that the Ordnance Survey is very strict on the use of these maps. The map we supply can only be used for educational use. They cannot be used for any commercial purpose.

Printed Historical Maps

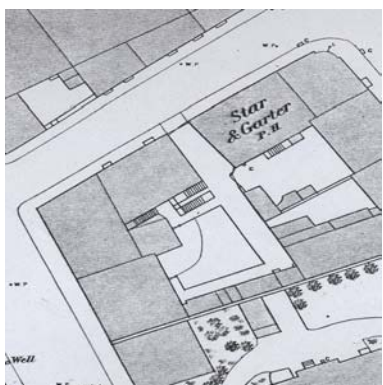
The library has copies of the main historical maps of Aberdeen in printed form. These date from Parson Gordon's map of Aberdeen dated 1661, through various 18th and 19th century maps. Historical maps can be used for a variety of projects e.g. in urban design to show the development of a site over the last 200 years or to investigate what was on a site before subsequent buildings. The examples shown here are from Paterson's map of 1746, showing the Castlegate before Union Street was built and John Smith's map of 1810 with Union Street.



Paterson's map



John Smith's map



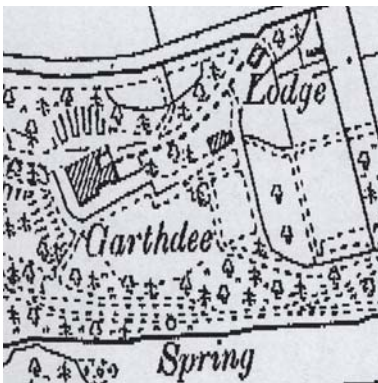
Crown Street/Union Street

The library has more than 50 maps from the first Ordnance Survey of Aberdeen in 1869 at a scale of 1:500. These cover the whole of the City at that time and include Old Aberdeen. The level of detail is very good at that scale and many of the buildings shown no longer exist.

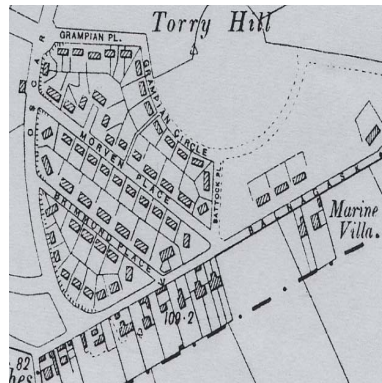
Ordnance Survey Historical Maps on CD-Rom

The library has the historical Ordnance Survey maps for the whole of Aberdeen and Aberdeenshire on CD-Rom. These are at a scale of 6 inch to the miles. Dates available vary but for each area there is generally the 1st edition OS map dated

c.1869, the version dated 1902, and for some areas of the City it also includes 1728 and 1938 maps. Unfortunately a section of central Aberdeen is missing from all but the first edition. The missing section is available in printed form. There is a facility to zoom in to quite a detailed level, part sections of map, and paste to another file. Remember that when you zoom in the scale will be altered



Garthdee House 1902



Torry 1928