

Cycling improvements throughout East Lothian

East Lothian is more accessible by bike than ever, with improvements being made to cycle routes across the county.



This includes ongoing discussions about improvements and extensions to the Haddington and Penciland railway way paths and improvements planned for National Cycle Routes at Smeaton, which links up to the N1 route to Edinburgh, and Broxburn near Dunbar, which connects to the John Muir Way. This will include resurfacing of terrain and clearer sign-posting of cycle tracks.

An audit of cycle parking facilities within the main East Lothian towns is also ongoing, with the intention of providing additional cycle parking at a range of locations in the current financial year.

The historic John Muir Way provides a scenic cycle route through some of the most beautiful scenery in Scotland. This new, signed route follows the original John Muir Way via a braided route, allowing cyclists to travel with ease through the county.

For more information visit johnmuirway.org

East Lothian top of the class for cycling

East Lothian schools have been identified as amongst the very top in Scotland for promoting and supporting active travel for pupils on their journey to school. In the latest National Hands-Up Survey, East Lothian had almost 76% of its pupils travelling actively, which includes walking, cycling and scooting.

Dunbar Primary School is amongst the top schools in the UK for pupils travelling to school by bike, with 434 of the 782 pupils surveyed saying they cycled to school. The school has enormous bike sheds to store the pupils' bikes, and children cycle to school come rain or shine and have attracted praise from Cycling Scotland and Sustrans for their outstanding results.

Community-led efforts to improve road safety and promote active travel have resulted in a 20mph speed limit in residential areas near Dunbar Primary School, with similar plans made for roads in Cockenzie, North Berwick and Tranent, and the prohibition of vehicles around schools in Haddington and Dunbar at busy times.



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