

***My Favourite Place by Bike***

Balfour Monument      grid ref 5760 7299

***Why it's my favourite place by bike***

I discovered Balfour monument on a recent cycle ride from Edinburgh to Dunbar. The monument is located on top of a small hill with panoramic views of East Lothian and beyond. It is located in excellent cycling terrain with quiet roads and charming villages. Approaching from the west, the hill is quite steep but agreeably short followed by a long straight downhill stretch towards Stenton. This area is definitely my favourite part of East Lothian.

 A photograph showing a paved road winding up a grassy hill. On the right side of the road, there are several large, leafy green trees. In the distance, the Balfour Monument, a tall, thin stone tower, is visible on the crest of the hill under a cloudy sky.	 A panoramic view from the top of the Balfour Monument. The foreground shows a grassy field with a stone wall. In the middle ground, there are rolling green hills and fields. In the background, a large, rounded hill (Berwick Law) is visible under a cloudy sky.
<p>View of road up to monument</p>	<p>View from monument (Traprain and N. Berwick Law)</p>