

# Club Sites Access Statement

## Bellingham Access Statement

At the Camping and Caravanning Club, we are committed to creating great experiences for all our guests and ensure everyone is made to feel welcome.

This access statement provides full access information about our site and its facilities for all guests who wish to stay at Bellingham

If you require any further information or wish to book online, please visit:

[Bellingham Campsite - Camping and Caravanning Club Site](#)

For telephone bookings please call our UK Service Centre on 02476 475426  
Opening hours: 8:00am – 5:30pm, Monday to Friday, Closed 10:00am – 11:00am on  
Wednesday, Saturday: 9:00am – 1:00pm from January to August



## Site Contact Details

Bellingham Camping and Caravanning Club Site  
Brown Rigg  
Bellingham  
Northumberland  
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## About Bellingham

In the Northumberland National Park, perfect for outdoor activities and great days out. Located in the Northumberland National Park and Northumberland International Dark Sky Park – considered to be the most tranquil place in the UK – our Bellingham Club campsite will appeal to campers looking for a relaxing break as well as those seeking adventure.

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This is a level, well maintained campsite with modern facilities including a shop, short dog walk, children's play area, warm indoor social space, kitchen, drying room, family wet room and games room.



### Your Arrival on Site

Hexham Railway Station is 17 miles from site.

Bus Stop (680 Bellingham to Hexham/return, Mon-Sat inclusive, stops at Hexham Railway Station) Request stop immediately outside the site, ca. 130 m from reception, fairly level.

Two 1.2 m<sup>2</sup> signs, visible from the road when travelling past the site in either direction.

Smaller site entrance sign on gateway leading to site.

Coded barrier with push button keypad.

Guests are given the current code on arrival.

Barrier is locked during the hours 11pm – 7am.

Out of hours parking immediately outside barrier.

Emergency hook-ups available outside of barrier.

Emergency bell and intercom on the front of reception.

Emergency mobile phone number on the front of reception. Guests who, in the event of an emergency, might have difficulty in leaving their unit quickly and raising the alarm are given a special mobile phone number.

The approach road is granite or basalt gravel, approx. 14-20mm size.

Out of hours parking immediately outside barrier.

Emergency hook-ups available outside of barrier, on level gravel surface and closer to toilets/showers than any of the pitches on site

Parking immediately outside of reception.

Mainly level with a small ramp and one lip (ca. 40 mm) to access bell and intercom for reception.

There is no designated accessible parking, but parking is normally plentiful, and staff would be on duty to assist in ensuring ease of access

There are handrails leading to reception.

There are steps leading to reception (five in total, rise mm per step)

Unfortunately, due to the design of the site buildings (their tall stilt-like foundations) there is no access ramp for wheelchairs into the shop and reception.



### Your Check In

The reception is well signed

Shop/Reception is open 9am – 11:00am 1pm – 5:30pm

When closed, there is an emergency bell and intercom on the front of reception Emergency mobile phone number on the front of reception. Guests who, in the event of an emergency, might have difficulty in leaving their unit quickly and raising the alarm are given a special mobile phone number

Access to reception is not level.

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Access may be difficult for wheelchair/buggy/prams  
Once inside there is a clear floor area



### Your Pitch

There are pitches available where cars can be parked next to units  
There are hardstanding pitches close to the accessible facility  
The surface is gravel (14-20 mm size), generally well compacted  
There are level pitches close to facility blocks  
Hardstanding pitches Closest to Facilities – all level, distance based on exact route taken not “as crow flies”  
2 HWE (no awning) pitches 60m on path from facilities (slightly shorter, if possible, to use grass slope)  
5 HWE pitches between 70-90m on path from facilities  
Grass pitches Closest to Facilities – all level  
1 GWE pitch 65m from facilities (3m over grass, remainder on gravel)  
2 GWE pitches 75m from facilities (3m over grass, remainder on gravel) Your Facilities  
There is a clear, well-maintained path leading to the facilities, but access from pitches is over gravel.



### Travelling Around Site

There are no speed bumps on site.  
EHU (bollard)lights provide lighting at night, but torches are required.  
Reception and other buildings have shielded down lighters  
Access to facilities is lit throughout the night  
We are however within the International Dark Sky Park. Visitors should be aware that the infrastructure of the site is designed to minimise light pollution, when holding designated Star Camps, we will shield external EHU lights using red acetate and ask guests to shield lights in their units.  
The reception carpark will hold 10 cars.  
The overnight carpark will hold 10 cars, when the emergency hook up is being used by a motorhome.



### The Facility Block

Access to the facility block, via a slightly sloping path and then either short ramp or two steps leading to foyer of main facilities – ladies, gentlemen, and wet room one.  
Main ladies toilets and showers have an additional step from foyer  
Access to main gentlemen’s toilets is level  
Gentlemen’s showers have an additional step within the washroom.  
There is a semi ambulant cubicle in the main block

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Taps are mainly pushing button but with one in each male/female shower/toilets have a lever top.  
All showers have stools, but these are not fixed.  
Both wet rooms have securely wall mounted shower seats  
Taps are pushing button except wet rooms which use dials.  
All showers have steps, except for wet rooms.  
The facility block is lit at night  
Access to a smaller additional facility block, with wet room two.



### The Accessible Facilities

There is a slightly sloping path over gravel and then concrete slabs (wet room 1) or pavers (wet room 2) leading to the accessible facilities.  
Access is level  
The toilet has handrails and a larger flush handle with space both sides of the toilet.  
The washbasin cannot be reached from the toilet  
Washbasin taps are lever operated  
There is a hand dryer  
There is a mirror, but it's not full length  
The shower has handrails, is dial operated and has open access.



### Laundry & Food Preparation Areas

Access is good and level, except for a high door threshold  
Access is over a concrete paved path  
The taps are lever top  
There is a front loading washing machine  
At least one of the washing machines be loaded from the floor  
The tumble driers are front loading, they are floor level.  
There is an iron available on request.  
There are indoor washing up facilities  
The sinks are lever topped  
There is no outdoor drying area  
A drying room is available, with straightforward level access



### Recreational Areas

There is an indoor recreational area  
Access is level from the courtyard, there are 5 steps the other side  
Seating is available  
There is a mixture of armchairs and straight-backed wooden dining chairs  
There is an outdoor children's play area  
There is one slight step and access is over grass

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There is seating available near the play area  
The play area surface is grass and sand  
There are no raised edges surrounding the play area Waste, Fire and Evacuation



### **Waste, Water, Fire and Evacuation**

There is flat level access leading to one refuse area while the second is accessed by a short ramp. Access to the facility block, via a slightly sloping path and then either short ramp or two steps leading to foyer of main facilities – ladies, gentlemen, and wet room 1

- There is a gravel path
- There are no steps or kerbs
- There are no handrails leading to the compound
- The waste containers are 1m high
- There are 2 fire bells on site
- There is unrestricted access to the firefighting equipment
- The fire assembly point is in the main carpark
- The assembly point surface is gravel



### **Pods and Self-Catering Accommodation**

Access to the pods is level with no steps. The pods are surrounded by bark.  
The paths leading to the pods are level, well compacted but loose slate stone.

Although we have tried to be as accurate as possible and include as much detail as we can in this statement, we are always happy to give additional information on any of our Club Sites if this statement does not answer your questions. We encourage and welcome feedback so if you have any comments please don't hesitate to get in touch.