

Eliburn Park



Images: Eliburn Reservoir (left); Woodlands (right)

Eliburn Park is a 16.5 hectare Council owned site located in Eliburn, Livingston. This diverse recreational area contains a range of environments including a scenic reservoir surrounded by woodland with extensive walking routes to explore and a wonderfully designed play park.

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Eliburn Park has something for everyone to enjoy. As you arrive at the park you are met with an open amenity grassland area which features three full sized football pitches and a smaller kick pitch. A little to the east, across a footbridge over Neil Burn, is an adventure play area for children. Inspired by the spiral form of a nautilus shell, this nature themed play area uses the shape of spirals throughout the design elements of the park. Perhaps the main attraction of this fabulous area of greenspace is the Eliburn Reservoir which sits centrally within the parks boundary. Eliburn Reservoir is actually a four acre coarse fishery which contains an assortment of different coarse fish species. This, plus the picturesque scenery on offer, makes it an attractive destination for anglers. Day tickets are available on site from a warden. Surrounding this beautiful reservoir is woodland with an abundance of footpaths which promote exploration and also provide access to and around

the reservoir. Farmland was once the main land use in the area and the current woodland was formed from the shelterbelts that surrounded the fields. Now peaceful woodland routes provide an ideal environment for activities such as walking and running. What's more, the woodland paths are invaluable for the links they provide to the wider path system in Livingston, including National Cycle Route 75 to the south. The park strikes a balance between delivering both superb amenity value and helping to aid nature conservation.

Wildlife

The diversity of habitats provided at Eliburn Park support a range of wildlife. The mixed coniferous and broadleaved woodland contains trees such as Larch, Scots Pine, Oak and Beech. Small mammals like Grey Squirrel and Hedgehog thrive in this woodland habitat, whilst a variety of bird species including Wren and Treecreeper populate the area. In addition, the reservoir is home to many water bird species including Mute Swans, Mallard Ducks and Moorhens. Underneath the calm surface water, which is often rife with water lillies, is an environment teeming with fish and other aquatic creatures. The reservoir is stocked with fish species including Carp, Roach, Bream, Rudd and Perch plus many more.



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Information

- Free entry
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- Map: OS Landranger 65



Map and information board



Adventure Play Area

Facilities & Access

- Free regular and disabled on-site car parking.
- Several picnic tables around the reservoir.
- Signposts, information display boards, maps, regular bins and dog waste bins.
- Closest public toilet at Carmondean Shopping Centre around 1.5 km away.
- Refreshments available from Carmondean Shopping Centre.
- Pavillion, play park and football pitches.
- Surfaced footpaths are flat and provide good access around the play park, reservoir and the adjoining woodland.
- Some timber stepping in sections.
- Unsurfaced path can be narrow, slippery and more difficult to access.

Travel

Eliburn Park is located within the Eliburn district of Livingston, to the north west of the town. The area has excellent transport links and is easily accessible. Eliburn Park can be accessed from a turn off on the Houston Road. Livingston North train station is located a 20 minute walk from Eliburn Park and it is serviced with trains from Edinburgh and Glasgow. The site has bus stops located nearby on Houston Road which are serviced with regular buses.



Water Lilies



Footpath & timber stepping

Eliburn Park Map



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Reservoir outflow



Small bridge over burn