



## This route is a partnership between

- The Millennium Commission
- North Lanarkshire Council
- West Lothian Council
- Scottish Executive
- Sustrans

# Hillend Loch Railway Path

This 14 mile cycleway and footpath forms part of the Clyde to Forth National Cycle Route. It follows the line of the old Airdrie to Bathgate Junction Railway (opened in 1862 and closed to passengers in 1956 and to freight in the late 1980s). The route starts at Drungelloch Railway Station, Airdrie and ends near Bathgate Railway Station. It takes you along the shore of the Hillend Loch and offers fine views over the central plateau of Scotland, passing through Plains, Caldercruix and Blackridge.



A 14 mile  
mainly  
traffic-free  
path for  
cyclists  
and  
walkers  
between  
Airdrie and  
Bathgate

Sculptures along the route reflect the rich industrial and railway heritage of the area. The railway line is scheduled to be re-opened in 2007 and the cycle route will remain with some alteration to serve the new stations. The route is traffic-free, except for a short section through Caldercruix. There is wheelchair access to the whole route.

**Sustrans** - the sustainable transport charity - works on practical projects to encourage people to walk, cycle and use public transport in order to reduce motor traffic and its adverse effects. A map for the Clyde to Forth Cycle Route (Glasgow to Edinburgh) is available for £5.99 - Please call 08485 113 0065 or visit [www.nationalcyclenetwork.org.uk](http://www.nationalcyclenetwork.org.uk)

**The National Cycle Network** is a comprehensive network of safe and attractive routes to cycle throughout the UK. 10,000 miles are due for completion by 2005, one third of which will be on traffic-free paths - the rest will follow quiet lanes or traffic-calmed roads. It is delivered through the policies and programmes of over 450 local authorities and other partners, and is co-ordinated by the charity Sustrans.

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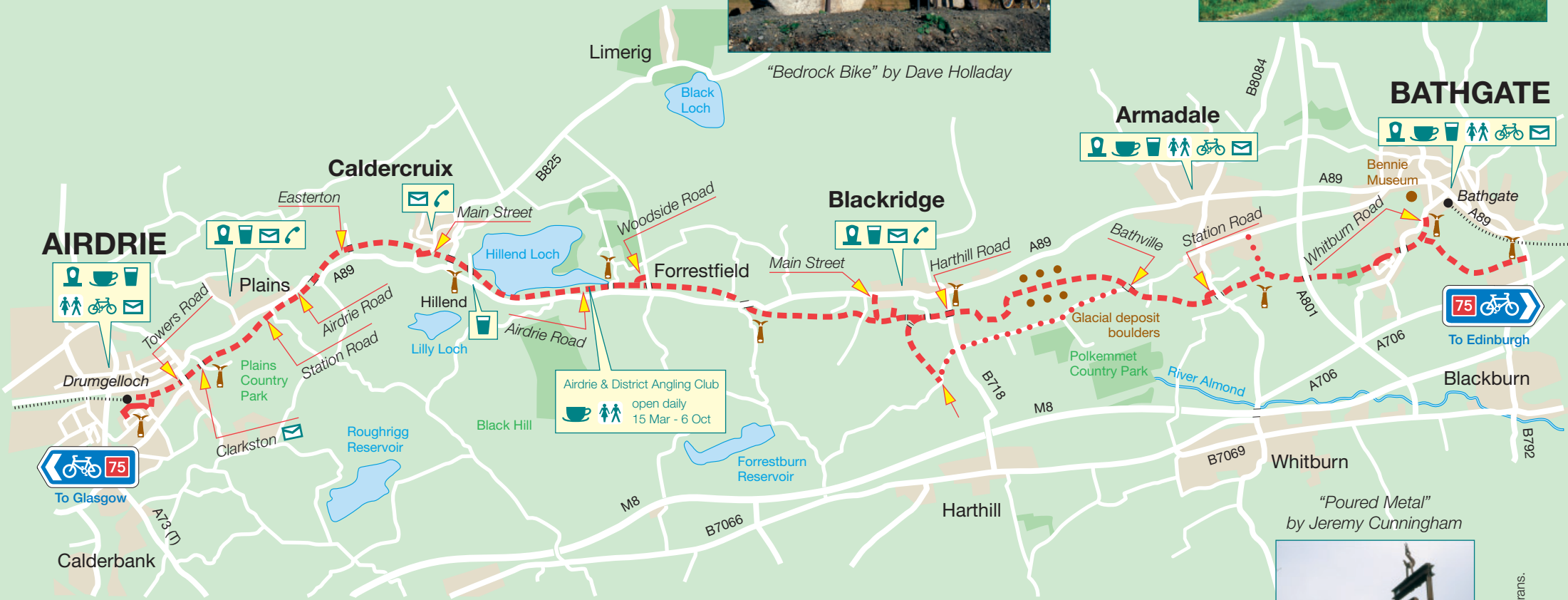
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**Sustrans 0845 113 0065**  
or visit the interactive mapping on our web site.

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"Bedrock Bike" by Dave Holladay



**AIRDRIE**

**Caldercruix**

**Blackridge**

**Armadale**

**BATHGATE**

Calderbank



	on-road route		cafe, hotel or public house
	traffic-free route		grocery shop, cycle shop or hire
	link route		public toilets, post office
	railway (station)		public telephone (rural)
	access point		milepost
	access control		

scale 0 1 mile

"Poured Metal" by Jeremy Cunningham

