

Mountain Biking Table of Charges 2018

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Mountain Biking Northern Ireland

Facility	Location	Ownership	Entrance charge	Amount
Rostrevor	Kilbroney Country Park	Newry, Mourne & Down DC	No	
Castlewellan	Castlewellan, Co Down	NI Forest Service & Newry, Mourne & Down DC	Yes	£5 per car/ £50 per annum
Castle Ward	Co Down	National Trust	Yes	£8.60 per adult, £4.30 per child, £21.55 per family or £120 per yr annual membership
Barnett Demesne	Belfast	Belfast CC	No	
Blessingbourne	Fivemiletown	Private & MUDC	Yes	£5 per car
Davagh	Cookstown	NI Forest Service & MUDC	No	

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Ballyhoura	Co Limerick	Ballyhoura Country	Yes	€5 or €40/yr
Ticknock	Dublin	Dublin Mountains Partnership	No	
Ballinstoe	Co Wicklow	Coillte	No	
Bike Park Ireland	Co Tipperary	Commercial	Yes	Full price list starting at €10
The GAP (Glencullen Adventure Park)	Dublin	Commercial	Yes	Full price list starting at €5

It is important that any barrier system/car park charge put into place in Davagh coincides with trail development, so that the mountain bikers feel they are getting an additional/better product. It may be an idea to link the barrier erection to Phase 2 of the mountain bike trails. PR around the traffic management charges is also crucial so that users are aware that the money paid is being put directly back into the trails. I would consider the feasibility of an annual pass similar to that of FSNi (Castlewellan), whereby a one-off charge permits annual usage.

Car-Parking Forest Parks Great Britain

In 2016 an economic appraisal was carried out on the redevelopment of Davagh Forest. Part of the appraisal included comparing car parking models in Great Britain.

Car-parking income represents the majority of income at Forest Parks, below gives the percentage of income generated by car parking.

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- 54% of the income generated at Moors Valley Country Park and Forest
- 50% of the annual income generated within Dalby Forest, North Yorkshire
- 48% of the income generated within Grizedale Forest, Cumbria.

(Information from Davagh Forest Redevelopment, Economic Appraisal – Appendices, Cogent Management Consulting, July 2016).

Current Carpark Usage

Data counters are installed at Davagh & Blessingbourne carpark. The following table gives the user numbers for the sites, NB this information has not been calibrated to take account of staff & forestry journeys.

	<u>Davagh Carpark</u>	<u>Blessingbourne Carpark</u>
2014		
Jan - Mar	3788	588
Apr - June	5942	719
July - Sept	5378	615
Oct - Dec	5020	366
	20128	2288
2015		
Jan - Mar	4675	337
Apr - June	7865	458
July - Sept	6453	515
Oct - Dec	3982	270
	22975	1580
2016		
Jan - Mar	3885	284
Apr - June	5711	179
July - Sept	5713	412
Oct - Dec	4205	332
	19514	1207
2017		
Jan - Mar	5883	311
Apr - June	6503	245
July - Sept	5993	352
Oct - Dec	4471	378
	22850	1286