

Edgerton & Dalton CC: Dalton Fold Heritage Graphic

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Castle Hill – This famous landmark is a Scheduled Ancient Monument and is regarded as one of Yorkshire's most important early Iron Age Hill forts. The first fort is believed to have been built around 555BC while a castle was also erected and occupied in the 1140s during the reign of King Stephen.

Victoria Tower – Designed by Isaac Jones, this famous tower was built to commemorate Victoria's 60th year as Queen of England. It was opened two years later on the 24 June 1899 by the Earl of Scarborough. It cost £3,298 to construct and stands 106 feet tall. For tourists and locals it is a wonderful place to visit as one of Huddersfield's most prized possessions.



Houses – overlooking the ground, they give the residents a fantastic view of the action.

Countryside – the ever present countryside surrounding Huddersfield is evident in Dalton as well as in many other villages and towns such as nearby Kirkheaton and Almondbury.

Farmland – this is a typical feature of many cricket clubs around Huddersfield. The hills and scenery form a wonderful backdrop to this old and historic ground.

Emley Moor transmitting station – Like Castle Hill, Emley Moor Mast is a local landmark dominating the Huddersfield skyline. The top of the tower stands 1,949 feet above sea level and is the third station to be erected after the second mast collapsed amid heavy winds in 1969. Transmitting to many millions of homes it is the tallest free-standing structure in the British Isles.



The pavilion and scoreboard – this building is used for a double purpose. It gives the players a side-on view of the action and is instantly recognisable when you arrive at the ground.

Dalton Fold – is one of the most famous cricket grounds in Yorkshire. Edgerton & Dalton CC have moved around a lot in their brief history. Formed in 1981 they have had no less than four other grounds. They have played at Highfields, Fartown, Britannia Works and Bradley Mills – and moved to Dalton Fold in 2004. No wonder they originally wanted to call themselves the 'Huddersfield Vagabonds'.