

Upperthong Cricket Ground by Daniel Stewart



The rural setting of Upperthong Cricket Club is excellent - the vast expanse of the countryside is well shown due to there being few trees around to obscure the view. This means that, apart from the walls around the site, there are no obscuring features, and therefore the pitch seems to blend in perfectly with the views beyond. The green of the turf seems to blend into the views of the hills forming on the other side of the Holme Valley.

The journey up to Upperthong Cricket Club feels perilous due to the twist and turns in the road leading up to the plateaux that the ground sits on, which again helps to create an air of rural isolation, since there are few homes this far up and therefore the ground lacks the intrusion of houses overlooking the ground that many clubs have, therefore helping to create wonderful views of the Holme Valley.