How to get to NSA/USAF Menwith Hill (known at RAF Menwith Hill)

Situated in the Yorkshire Dales in North Yorkshire, approximately 8 miles northwest of Harrogate, (HG3 2RF) on the A59 Harrogate to Skipton road. It is about 20 miles north of Bradford, and 222 miles north of London.

Directions from Harrogate:

Follow the A59 west out of Harrogate (direction Skipton) straight over the Traveller's Rest roundabout and continue for approx three miles. You will eventually see the distinctive 'golf balls' ahead – pass the Black Bull on right – sign to RAF Menwith Hill – turn right into Cold Cotes road – to bottom of road – stop at junction – turn left (Menwith Hill road) – main entrance to Menwith Hill is further up road on left.

Directions from Otley:

Take the B6451 towards Farnley and follow signs for Pateley Bridge. After about 7 miles, climbing up winding road you come to the A59 cross roads (also known as 'Dangerous Corner'). The A59 is a very busy, fast road – cross over the A59 on to the B6451 – down hill with base on your right – turn right into Menwith Hill road – main entrance to base is further up this road on right.

Cars can be parked on the road leading up to the base sewage works (short distance from demonstration at main entrance). The police will show you where to park.

The nearest train station is Harrogate and approximately 6 miles (15 minutes in a taxi).

The nearest airport is Leeds Bradford at Yeadon and is 13 miles away (about 25 minutes in a taxi)!

There is NO public transport to NSA/USAF Menwith Hill. We regret that resources mean that we cannot arrange transport. This will have to be organised yourselves - train/bus to Harrogate (then taxi), car/car sharing, cycling, minibus/coach etc.

We look forward to seeing you for Independence FROM America day!

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