

Bed & Breakfast

Case Study Year: 2010

Business Details



Foxhill Barn B&B

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Business Description



Foxhill Barn bed and breakfast is located just outside Gisburn in the Ribble Valley, on the edge of the Forest of Bowland AONB, offering opportunity to relax and unwind in peaceful and idyllic surroundings. Here you will have the opportunity to sit back and enjoy the breathtaking panoramic views that greet you on arrival at Foxhill Barn B&B. Foxhill Barn provides an ideal base for those of you who enjoy a walking, cycling, bird watching, fishing or sightseeing holiday or short break.

Green Statement

// We are committed to conserving the unique nature of this part of the world. To this end we have joined with others in the Green Tourism Business Scheme to run our business in the most sustainable way we can, by managing our land for wildlife, using green products, providing information on things to do locally and using as much local produce in our breakfasts as we can. //

What's Green about Foxhill Barn

Foxhill Barn has very comprehensive information on sustainable activities both as a welcome to visitors and on their website. Local produce is very well promoted and the business uses home grown vegetables from their own garden for visitors' meals. Cyclists and walkers are encouraged to stay at the B&B to explore the wonderful countryside on their doorstep.

Foxhill Barn encourages biodiversity by creating and managing a variety of wildlife habitats and planting native trees. Public transport is very well promoted and visitors are offered a pick up from stations.

Actions



- 'Car-free' activities promoted through the development of a series of circular walks commencing from Foxhill and provision of information on cycling and wildlife watching
- Created an area of new woodland, and a small wildflower meadow and are looking for new places to site bird boxes to encourage local wildlife
- Garden without pesticides, new planting is designed to provide food and shelter to birds and insects
- Use of environmentally friendly cleaning products
- Adoption of a towel and linen policy
- Increased use of low energy lighting
- Local suppliers used for breakfasts wherever possible
- Use own vegetable garden to produce food for themselves and their guests
- Provide guests with information to help them reduce their environmental impact whilst enjoying all the benefits of staying in this beautiful area of the country
- Vegetable waste is composted for use in own garden
- Newspaper and cardboard are either used for mulching in the vegetable garden or composted. Non compostable magazines and cardboard are taken to a local recycling facility

Impact



Economic

- Unnecessary laundry avoided, saving water and energy
- Energy saving measures such as introduction of energy saving lightbulbs will in turn provide cost savings to the business.



Environmental

- Recycling in all aspects of the business, resulting in significantly less waste going to landfill
- Wildlife diversity around the site conserved and enhanced
- Encouraging walkers and cyclists reduces the use of the car and carbon emissions.
- Reduction in food miles and carbon emissions by supporting local producers



Social

- Local economy supported by promotion of other local businesses and local producers

Links



Encouraging garden wildlife

www.wildaboutgardens.org

Energy efficient light bulbs

www.efficientlight.co.uk

Sustainable transport

www.sustrans.org.uk

Nest boxes

www.nestbox.co.uk

Forest of Bowland

www.forestofbowland.com

Lancashire Green Tourism project

www.lancashireandblackpool.com

Contact



If you want to find out more about the Lancashire Green Tourism Project or the Green Tourism Business Scheme contact hetty.byrne@lancashire.gov.uk

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