

# Browsholme Hall & Tithe Barn

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**Image #1:** Browsholme Hall and grounds

**Image #2:** Tithe Barn

**Image #3:** Farmers' Market

The ancestral home of the Parker Family since 1507, Browsholme Hall is Lancashire's oldest surviving family home. As a 500 year old family home, with the current owner being the 5th to hold the title 'Bowbearer of the Forest of Bowland', Browsholme is intrinsically linked to the Forest of Bowland AONB. The restoration of the Tithe Barn in 2010 has been the catalyst for initiatives to grow and to develop a sustainable and successful visitor enterprise.

### Contribution to the AONB

- The natural environment forms a magnificent backdrop to a sustainable tourism enterprise. Browsholme has an active woodland management plan to replace 120 acres of conifer woodland with oak, ash and beech. Also in 2013, the water environment was increased to 4½ acres with the creation of an additional lake
- The Tithe Barn has created new opportunities allowing them to enhance the visitor experience with a tearoom, a venue for artisan markets and plant fairs, theatre and musical events
- Full and part time local employment has doubled to over 30 with the growth of the business
- Supports the local community, for example, working with a local primary school to develop a social history project
- Produced a nature and garden trail leaflet, which will be supplemented by a monthly guide to flora and fauna using seasonal photographs, taken throughout the year



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The estate, through careful progress, has succeeded in the development of a genuine sustainable tourism enterprise.

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Browsholme contributes to its local area by working with schools and providing a “big stone tent” for community events, ranging from a farmers’ market to theatre and musical events.

