

The Old School at Yealand Conyers

Simple Hostel Accommodation in Rural Lancashire

Hostel Accommodation for Groups in the Lancashire Countryside

The Old School at Yealand Conyers near Carnforth provides good simple hostel facilities that are ideal for group holidays. It is managed by the local Society of Friends (Quakers) on a not-for-profit basis.



The Local Area

Though easily accessible from the M6, the Old School is situated in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. It is in a limestone area, well wooded and rich in wildlife such as deer and a great abundance of insects, wildflowers and birds. Local walks afford impressive views of Morecambe Bay, the Lakeland fells and the Pennines. The RSPB bird reserve at Leighton Moss, well known for its bitterns, is within walking distance. Special visits and group activities can be arranged at the reserve.

Other Attractions

The village of Yealand Conyers lies close to both the Lake District and the Yorkshire Dales national parks. There are many castles, stately homes and pele towers within easy distance, as are the city of Lancaster and the ancient towns of Kendal (home to the Quaker Tapestry) and Kirkby Lonsdale.

1652 Country

For anyone interested in Quaker history the Old School at Yealand Conyers is an excellent base for exploring 1652 Country. It was in that year that the Society of Friends was established. Yealand Meeting House was built in 1692, and the Old School next door makes an ideal base for exploring the area. Brigflatts, Firbank Fell and the Quaker Tapestry in Kendal are all less than forty minutes drive away. The Warden will be pleased to provide more information, guides and speakers, if required.



The Accommodation

Clean and comfortable, and with full central heating, the hostel offers good self-catering accommodation at very reasonable prices. There is room for up to about 25 people, but we also welcome smaller groups.

Two bedrooms for group leaders are available, with a total of six beds. There are three other large rooms. These have no beds, but foam mattresses are provided for sleeping on the floor. Visitors must bring their own sleeping-bags, pillows and pillowcases. However if some members of your group require more privacy or comfort we can provide information on local bed and breakfast and the whole group can use the facilities at the hostel.



Other Facilities

The kitchen/dining room has a large gas cooker, microwave, water heater, fridge-freezer, dishwasher, cooking utensils, crockery and cutlery.

An adjacent field is available for games, sports and camping. Car parking is nearby. Free WiFi service.

Costs and Booking

Adults: £15.00p per night

Children (15 and under): £7.50 per night

Min charge £100 on Friday and Saturday nights.

10% discount for Quaker Local or Area Meeting groups.

Maximum charges now apply and special rates can be negotiated with the wardens to enable disadvantaged groups to stay.

For more information, or to book, please contact the Joint Wardens, Sue and Alan Tyldesley, Yealand Friends Meeting House, 18 Yealand Road, Yealand Conyers, Carnforth, LA5 9SH
Tel: 01524 732336 Email: yealandwarden@lancsquakers.org.uk



Getting There



There is a good train service to Carnforth (main line) and then a regular bus service which stops just outside the hostel. Alternatively the walk from Carnforth station to the hostel is very pleasant and the wardens can collect your luggage (by arrangement).

By car: leave the M6 at Junction 35. Take the A6 northwards following signs for Milnthorpe. After about a mile turn left off the A6 and follow the signs for Yealand Conyers. Turn left at the T-junction in the village. The Old School is 200 yards on the left.

For more detailed directions, including advice on public transport, go to www.lancsquakers.org.uk/yealand.php

Places to Visit - 1652 Country

1652 Committee – www.quaker.org.uk/1652-committee – 01524 782052

Brigflatts Friends' Meeting House – www.brigflatts.org – 015396 20005

Quaker Tapestry – www.quaker-tapestry.co.uk – 01539 722975

Swarthmoor Hall – www.swarthmoorhall.co.uk – 01229 583 204

Lancaster Castle – www.lancastercastle.com – 01524 64998

Places to Visit – General

Leighton Moss – www.rspb.org.uk/reserves/guide/1/leightonmoss/index.aspx – 01767 680 551

Leighton Hall – www.leightonhall.co.uk – 01524 734474

Lakeland Wildlife Oasis – www.wildlifeoasis.co.uk – 015395 63027

Levens Hall – www.levenshall.co.uk – 015395 60321

Sizergh Castle – www.nationaltrust.org.uk/main/w-sizerghcastlegarden – 015395 60951

Heron Corn Mill and Papermaking Museum – www.heronmill.org – 015395 64271

Docker Park Farm – www.aboutbritain.com/DockerParkFarm.htm – 01524 221331

Kendal Leisure Centre – www.lakesleisure.org.uk/kendal – 01539 729777

Cumbria Tourism – www.golakes.co.uk

Lancashire and Blackpool Tourist Board – www.visitlancashire.com – 01257 226600

