

PARISH NEWS

Your official monthly update from the Pendleside communities of Barley, Newchurch, Roughlee, Sabden Fold & Spenbrook.

Barley Parish Council

Devolution, Reservoir, Turning Area, Tom & Becca...

And before we knew it, we had another prime minister in Andy Burnham, the king of the north some say, and the seventh we have had in 10 years, or the fifth in four years. The only constant in Downing Street throughout has been Larry the Cat who has greeted every single one of them and heard them say they would bring calm to the chaos. The previous six were subsequently booted out by the electorate or their own party and we can only hope the new boy has a plan, patience and persistence and the ability to persuade us he can improve things. If you do not know, the way Lancashire is governed locally is going to change in 2027. The County and all the Borough Councils will be abolished and, subject to Parliamentary approval, four new unitary authorities will be created across the county, to replace the current fifteen councils. The option the government has chosen for us is the combination of Blackburn with Darwen, Burnley, Pendle, Hyndburn and Rossendale to form a single unitary authority. Like it or not, our starting point will be that we are one of the most deprived unitary Council's in the country. Our new Councillors will have their work cut out to attract government funding in front of others and deliver growth in the area. It will be a challenge, but the new arrangements may offer better opportunities than the current arrangements. Following on from the last newsletter, works at Upper Ogden Reservoir are moving along in the pleasant weather and the increase in the height and thickness of the concrete wave wall on top of the dam is shown below, copings will be going on this second section soon. The contractor is still hoping to

complete in September then footpaths will re-open again.



Pendle BC have confirmed that they can offer grant funding support to the PC's planned improvement works on the Turning Area

to reduce standing water after rainfall. The work will include drainage, relaying stone setts, and macadam resurfacing at the access bridge. Construction drawings are complete and supporting documents being prepared, the project should go out to tender in the next two weeks. The project is expected to take place in the Autumn.

One date for your diary, the 7th August it is International Beer Day, a day for beer lovers everywhere. In backyards, gardens, taverns, pubs, and breweries all over, people celebrate beer's greatness while showing gratitude to their bartender and waitstaff. Don't miss this one, I never do. It is with sadness that we learnt of the passing of Brian Nelson who was a good friend to the Council when he was the chairman of Roughlee PC and more recently as the Chair of Trustees for Burnley FC in the Community based at Whitehough. He was well known to many in Barley as a warm and caring man suited to working in the community. He is a loss to all the area, and our sincere condolences are with his wife, Sandra. Finally, congratulations to Tom and Becca Cosway (of the Bullion) on their marriage in July. We all wish you the absolute best for your future together.

DEREK HEAP, CHAIR

Goldshaw Booth Parish Council Info Boards, Sub-station, Gardens, Speeding, Football Tournament (12 Sept)...



We were pleased to be joined by County Councillor Howard Hartley and Borough Councillor Martyn Stone at our meeting in July, and

to discuss amongst other things, Local Government Reorganisation and our grant application for new information boards in each of the three villages. This project is still in the content gathering stage and if anyone has any photographs of the villages

which they think might be useful for the boards, please email them to

clerk@goldshawbooth-pc.gov.uk. A new project underway is a tree-planting scheme, in conjunction with the pupils at St Mary's School – more information to follow.

A couple of notable successes to report on, both of which have been a long time in the making. The first is that the electricity sub-station at the Spenbrook Mill development has finally been screened off in a way that hugely improves the aesthetics of the area, as well as increasing the safety of the site. Secondly, after some 18 months of requests, United Utilities were finally persuaded to replace the galvanised railings around the filter house at the top of Newchurch with green ones – far more in keeping with our area of outstanding natural beauty.

The village gardens and communal areas are looking lovely thanks to the efforts of residents, our new gardener Scott and the Pendle Borough Council mowing team. If you are able to spare a little time to help with watering plants – we'd be most grateful! Our picturesque landscape is blighted by occasional fly tipping and, increasingly common, nitrous oxide cylinder disposal – we have flagged this up with PSCO Fielding to look at what local initiatives could be considered to try and combat this.

Vehicle speeding remains a pressing issue and so we have resolved to purchase a Speed Indicator Device (SPID) if we can secure grant funding. The application will benefit from community consultation and so a very brief questionnaire (just two questions!) will be coming through your door in August and we encourage you to return completed questionnaires to the envelopes pinned up inside the village notice boards.

If you've been inspired by the World Cup, remember we have our own Football Tournament and BBQ on Saturday 12th September, when teams from the three villages will compete to see if Sabden Fold can retain the title. Everyone is welcome to spectate, it's a great afternoon, and if you'd like to play, just email clerk@goldshawbooth-pc.gov.uk. If football isn't your thing, you can still enjoy the football pitch by taking part in the FREE tai chi sessions on Sunday 2nd August and 6th September at 11-12noon.

Finally, a heartfelt thank you to Maureen and Adrian from Witches Galore for their recent financial contribution to the ongoing upkeep of the village toilets.

Our next meeting is on Monday 10th August, 7pm, at St Mary's Church in Newchurch – as ever, please come along for a warm welcome, cup of tea and lively discussion.

BECCY MURRELL - CHAIR



Roughlee Parish Council

Brian Nelson, New Houses, Rookery,
Ceramic Tiles, RVC Transfer...

It is with great sadness that we begin this month's news by reporting the passing of Brian Nelson. Brian served on the Parish Council for 10 years, joining in 2002, with the final five years of his service as Chair. He was a stalwart of our community and played a key role in the development of the Village Centre building, particularly the kitchen facilities that continue to serve residents today. Brian's dedication and commitment to the village will be remembered by many. Our thoughts and condolences are with Sandra and all of Brian's family and friends at this difficult time.

On a more routine note, planning matters have dominated the Parish Council's work this month. The planning application for two properties on the green space opposite Straitgate Cottages has generated considerable interest within the village. Although the principle of development on this site has previously been approved, many residents have raised concerns about the current application. The Parish Council has submitted its own comments and objections to Pendle Borough Council's Planning Department and has requested that the application be determined at a public meeting of the Barrowford and Western Parishes Committee. This is expected to take place at the committee's September meeting. Anyone is welcome to attend these meetings, although anyone wishing to address the committee must register to speak in advance.

We have also received a retrospective planning application relating to 'the erection of a dwelling' at The Rookery on Ridge Lane. This is a slightly

unusual case, as the property was approved under the restriction of operating as a holiday let, which has been the case for around the past 10 years. The owners are now seeking retrospective permission for it to have been built as a permanent residence without restrictions.

Many of you will already have noticed the beautiful new ceramic tiles installed on the walls opposite the school. These were created by pupils following a foraging walk, during which they selected the plants that have since been embossed onto the tiles. They are a wonderful addition to the village, and we now just need some more favourable weather to complete the planting beneath them. Our sincere thanks go to Andre Smaile for generously giving his time, expertise and materials to install these fantastic pieces.

Finally, the transfer of ownership of the Village Centre buildings and the associated land from Pendle Borough Council to the Parish Council is now complete. The final legal documents have been signed and the transaction is formally completed, marking an important milestone for the village.

Next meetings: Mondays 3 August and 7th September, 7pm at Roughlee Village Centre

MARTIN SCHOFIELD, CHAIR

Pendleside Repair Café Pops Up at Roughlee Village Centre – Repairs, Cakes & Pétanque!

Today (1st Aug), Roughlee Village Centre



The Pendleside Repair Café may be temporarily relocated while essential works continue at the Chapel, but the

energy, enthusiasm and neighbourly spirit behind it are stronger than ever. This month, the Repair Café will be held at Roughlee Village Hall, running from 10.30am to 1.30pm, and promises to be one of our most vibrant sessions yet.

Our talented volunteer repairers will be on hand to tackle a wide range of fixes, helping to keep treasured items in use and out of landfill. This month's team includes:

- Woodwork repairs — chairs, frames, small furniture

- Textile mending — clothing repairs
- Welding fixes — metal brackets, tools and household items
- Electrical & IT troubleshooting — small appliances, gadgets and tech
- Toy repairs — giving children's favourites a new lease of life
- Garden tool sharpening — shears and secateurs

The Repair Café is more than a place to fix things — it's a celebration of shared skills, sustainability and community connection. Every repair is a small act of care, and every conversation is a chance to learn something new.

No Repair Café would be complete without the delicious treats from our refreshment team. Expect homemade cakes, hot drinks and the warm welcome that has become a hallmark of our sessions. Whether you come with an item to repair or simply to enjoy the atmosphere, you'll be greeted with friendly faces and something tasty.

Roughlee Village Hall is buzzing with excitement as the village has opened its brand-new boules court. To celebrate, this month's Repair Café will also offer free pétanque lessons, giving everyone the chance to try this wonderfully sociable and surprisingly addictive game.

It's easy to learn, fun to play, and a brilliant way to bring people together. Whether you're a complete beginner or someone who's played on holiday, come along and give it a go.

The Repair Café continues to grow, but we are still looking for new volunteers to join our friendly management team, we would love to hear from you. Being part of the Repair Café is rewarding, sociable and a great way to support our villages.

The temporary move to Roughlee Village Hall is a wonderful reminder of how closely our communities work together — Barley, Roughlee and Newchurch supporting one another, sharing spaces and keeping valued activities running even during building works. Bring your items, bring your curiosity, and bring your enthusiasm. Together, we repair, learn and play.

Events in Barley: Aug 2026

Dates for your diary...

- **Pendle Forest History Group** – *Wed 19th Aug, 7.30pm at Barley Village Hall* – Gill and Geoff Fawcett will be giving a tour



and talk for the members in St Mary's Church starting at 7.30pm. Visitors welcome £3.00 per person. Please **email** to book a place

■ **Pendleside Gardeners Club** *Tues 18th Aug, 7pm at Barrowford Allotments* – Tour and talk on maximising vegetable production with Jenny Booker. Check the facebook page for the allotment location

■ **Barley WI** – *Wed 5th August, 7.30pm at Barley Village Hall* – The August meeting will be an evening with a musical theme – New members welcome – try us for free for three meetings

■ **Pendle Patchers** – *Tues 11th and 25th August, from 1pm at Barley Village Hall* – Our picture shows work in progress by one of our talented knitters who is making this cardigan. Apparently at some point it will involve cutting through the knitted section! If you are interested in knowing how this turns out, please come along to one of our Patchers sessions, you'd be welcome to join us for a brew to find out. You can contact Gil Beeke for any more information. 01282 602449.

■ **FOG Club** – *Thurs evenings, 6.30pm-7.45pm at Barley Chapel* – For children aged 6-11 years. Contact Lorraine on 07966261520

■ **Card making class** – *1st and 3rd Mon of each month, 1-3pm at Barley Village Hall* – for details contact Valerie on 01282 691850

■ **Coffee and Chat** – *2nd Wed of each month, 10am-12pm at Barley Village Hall* – All welcome, not just the old folk – £2 gets coffee (or tea) and cake!

members. Although unexpected, this is a common challenge in older village buildings. The team acted quickly to remove the affected wood, apply specialist treatments, and replace the compromised sections. Thanks to this swift action, the spread has been stopped and the structure is now safe and sound. We will have obviously more work to do in the future but for now the hall is ready to be used again.

With the repair work complete, the Chapel Hall is quite understandably in need of a good clean so that we can get the hall ready for re-opening. We are once again calling on the wonderful community spirit that we have in Barley, to come and help us on Saturday 8th August from 11am onwards to clean and tidy the hall. Even a short amount of 2me will make a big difference so any help would be greatly appreciated.

Important Dates for Your Diary

■ **Return of the Repair Café** – Saturday 5th September – The Repair Café returns, continuing to bring together practical skills, community spirit and a shared commitment to reducing waste

■ **Monthly Sunday Service** – Sunday 6th September – This service will be led by our new Minister for Barley, Rev Stephen Donnins please come and say hello and show him how much having the Chapel in Barley means to us all

■ **Indoor Car Boot** – Third Saturday in September – This is a new venture and we are hoping it will become a regular monthly event

Anyone wishing to book a table or any other details please contact Angie 07967 121031

Progress Update at Barley Chapel Further Repairs & New Dates for Your Diary

Work at Barley Chapel has continued steadily, and we are pleased to confirm that the initial areas of dry rot have now been successfully treated. This was an important milestone in securing the Chapel Hall for future community use.

However, as the contractors progressed, further patches of dry rot were discovered in additional

Notes from St. Mary's Holidays

August is a month synonymous with holidays. We often joke that the French seem to take the whole month off. Having spent very little time in France I have no idea if it is true. But it is true that August does often give many people time for a bit of a break and a recharge. As I write I hope you do get some time to spend with friends and loved ones in the coming weeks.

If my life is anything like yours, the incessant frenzy of business is hard to keep up with. There are

deadlines (and the editor of Parish News will tell you I struggle to keep those). There are things you just must do. We seem to squeeze the pips out of ourselves, meet ourselves coming back, and burn the candle at both ends. And often it feels like we get no further forward and only add to the list of things to do. So, rest seems like a luxury.

When there is so much to do, so many pressing needs, rest is impossible, isn't it?

The Bible speaks of sabbath, a day of rest.

“Remember the Sabbath day and keep it holy. Six days shall you labour and do all your work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. On it you shall not do any work, neither you, nor your son or daughter, nor your male servant or female servant, nor your animals, nor any foreigner residing in your towns. For in six days the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and the all that is in them, but He rested on the seventh day. Therefore, the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and made it holy.” Exodus 20:8-11

It is an extraordinary command to a community that was essentially a subsistence community. In a culture like that (and 80% of the world still live like this) if you don't work, you don't eat and if you don't eat, you starve. Working and living are intrinsically linked, so a day of rest is hardly practical. So why does the bible insist on it as a practice for those following God?

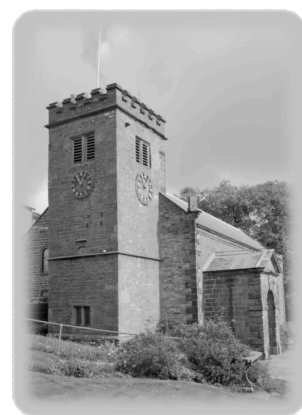
Well, it seems to me that we are supposed to recognise our limits. We are not God no matter how hard we try. We need rest to remind us that in truth we rely on Him and not on what we do. I hope that if you get a break in the coming weeks and that it prompts you to see your limits and trust God to do what you can't.



REV'D NICK MURRAY - VICAR, ST MARY'S NEWCHURCH-IN-PENDLE



St. Mary's Church Aug 2026 Services



Through the summer we are looking at the Old Testament Character of David the Shepherd boy who became an outlaw and then became a King. His life takes up 1 and a half books in the Bible and so is an important figure and established the Kingly leadership of his nation for

centuries, but he also did some terrible things. So why has he been considered a hero of the bible? Why does the Bible describe him as 'a man after God's own heart'? And does a man who lived over 3000 years ago have any relevance to us and our relationship with God today? We began on the 26th

August looking at the incident recorded for us in 1 Samuel 17 and the famous story of David and Goliath and explored how David was chosen for a task and we too can have a purpose for God's glory. Do come and join us.

Our services through the summer are slightly lighter in liturgy will seek to engage all ages and have activity packs for children. Details are as follows:

- 2nd August 9:30am Communion Service:
1 Samuel 23:9-18 – Fugitive and Friend
- 9th August 9:30am Communion Service:
1 Samuel 25 – Fiery and Fair
- 16th August 9:30am Family Worship:
Psalm 51 – Flourishing, Failing and Forgiven
- 23rd August 9:30am Communion Service:
1 Chronicles 29:10-20 – Faithful and Flawed
- 30th August 11am EPIC summer Worship at St Thomas

As we finish the summer our churches of St Thomas and St Mary's join together to celebrate 'EPIC Summer' (our week of activities each morning at St Thomas church for children in primary school. See further details in the article above.

Save the Date: 20th September the Deanery Choir sings Evensong at St. Mary's

Macmillan Coffee Morning

Sat 29th Aug. 10am-12pm at RVC



£5 includes cake and coffee, optional tombola

St Mary's CE Primary School

End of the Academic Year

As another academic year draws to a close, we would like to take this opportunity to reflect on what has been a wonderful final few weeks at school. It has been a busy and memorable end to the year, filled with exciting learning opportunities, special events and celebrations. We are incredibly proud of everything our children have achieved and would like to thank our families, staff, governors, volunteers and wider community for their continued support throughout the year.

Key Stage 1

Our Key Stage 1 children had the exciting opportunity to decorate the Football Development Manager's office at Burnley Football Club. They painted a collection of beautiful Portugal flags, which were proudly displayed in the office. The club were delighted with the children's creativity and were extremely grateful for all of their hard work. As part of our transition programme, Year 2 spent time in the Junior classroom getting to know their future classmates and teachers ahead of September. They enjoyed taking part in 'getting to know you' activities, thinking about their goals for next year and sharing interesting facts about themselves.

Key Stage 2

Our Year 6 children demonstrated fantastic leadership skills by helping to support the younger children during transition days as Year 2 experienced life in the Key Stage 2 classroom. In Geography, the children explored different types of settlements across the UK. Using Google Maps, they identified the characteristics of hamlets, villages, towns and cities, producing some excellent work.

The Juniors finished the year with a fun-filled final PE lesson on the field, playing football and rounders. Our thanks go to Coach Andy for another fantastic year of PE lessons.

Learning Through Play

Our OPAL area has continued to provide wonderful opportunities for learning, creativity and imaginative play throughout the final weeks of term. With the warm weather upon us, our Infants transformed the OPAL area into an outdoor classroom, making the most of the sunshine and shade while enjoying lessons in the fresh air. The Juniors also enjoyed taking Guided Reading outside, creating a calm and enjoyable learning environment. Inspired by England's success in the Women's Euros, our budding builders designed and constructed their very own football stadium using loose parts. Others showcased their engineering skills by building an impressive motorbike,

demonstrating fantastic teamwork, imagination and problem-solving skills.

Working Together Across the World

We were delighted to welcome Elaine into school to introduce us to her charity, Together In Education – UK and Nepal. The children learned about life for children in Nepal, discovering both the similarities and differences between their lives and our own. We are excited to begin working alongside the charity next year to help support children through fundraising and letter writing.

Collective Worship

We have continued to enjoy our weekly visits from our Worship Team, who have led thoughtful acts of worship with the children. During one session, the children explored the story of the Philippian woman, reflecting on the importance of trusting in God and having faith that things will work out.

Golf Taster Sessions

We were delighted to welcome Fiona from PLT into school to deliver golf sessions for both Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2. The children thoroughly enjoyed learning new skills, practising their putting and taking part in a range of fun golf activities. It was wonderful to see everyone getting involved, showing great enthusiasm and encouraging one another throughout the sessions.

Our sincere thanks go to Fiona for giving up her time to provide such an enjoyable experience for our children.

Annual Sports Day

After much anticipation, Sports Day proved to be another fantastic afternoon of fun, teamwork and friendly competition.

The final results were: 1st – Hufflepuff (122 points), 2nd – Gryffindor (109 points), 3rd – Ravenclaw (104 points), 4th – Slytherin (94 points)

Every child demonstrated excellent determination, resilience and sportsmanship throughout the afternoon. A special thank you to our Year 6 children for helping organise the events and to Coach Andy for planning such an enjoyable day. We are also grateful to all of the parents and families who came along to support the children.

Celebration Assemblies

Our weekly Celebration Assemblies continued to recognise our Wizards of the Week and Special Stars, alongside celebrating the many achievements our children accomplish outside of school.

Over the final weeks we celebrated achievements including swimming awards, dance medals, football trophies, kickboxing and wrestling successes, horse riding accomplishments and a wonderful ballet performance in Peter Pan.

Due to the exceptionally warm weather, one of our Celebration Assemblies was held outdoors, allowing everyone to enjoy recognising each other's achievements in the sunshine.

End of Year Trips

Key Stage 1 enjoyed a wonderful visit to Wild

Discovery Zoo, where they observed a wide variety of animals and learned lots about different habitats. Our Key Stage 2 children had an unforgettable end-of-year trip to FUNDALAND. They thoroughly enjoyed the climbing wall, bumper cars, soft play and laser tag, creating memories to last a lifetime. We are extremely grateful to FUNDA for providing such a memorable experience.

Friends of Newchurch School (FONS)

Our end-of-year Cake Sale and Tombola was another fantastic success. It was wonderful to see so many families supporting the event, and we would like to thank everyone who donated cakes, prizes and their time. A special thank you goes to our incredible FONS committee whose continued dedication helps provide so many wonderful opportunities for our children.

FONS also treated the children to welcome ice creams during the hot weather and provided another ice cream for every child following the Year 6 Leavers' Service, which was enjoyed by everyone. We are also incredibly grateful to FONS for generously funding the coach travel for both our Key Stage 1 trip to Wild Discovery Zoo and our Key Stage 2 visit to FUNDALAND, helping to make these memorable experiences possible for all of our children.

Gardening Club

During the final few weeks of term, Gardening Club enjoyed a lovely family picnic in the school grounds, giving children, families and friends the opportunity to spend time together and celebrate another successful year.

The final Gardening Club session was a fun-filled afternoon where the children took part in an end-of-year quiz, explored the garden and even met our very own 'live scarecrow', who certainly kept everyone smiling.

This session also marked the final Gardening Club led by Pete and Gin. Over many years they have generously given their time, knowledge and enthusiasm to help our children develop a love of gardening and the outdoors. We would like to express our sincere thanks for everything they have done for our school community and wish them both every happiness for the future. Their kindness, dedication and support will be greatly missed.

Rushbearing Celebrations

It was wonderful to see so many of our families taking part in this year's traditional Rushbearing celebrations. Children and families enjoyed making flower crowns and rush crosses, singing competitions, Morris dancing and the traditional crowning of the Rushbearing King and Queen. It was a fantastic weekend celebrating one of our village's most treasured traditions and we thank everyone who helped make it such a success.

A Fond Farewell

At the end of this academic year, we also said a fond farewell to two much-valued members of our school

family, Mrs Brice and Mr Demaline, who have both retired.

Between them, they have dedicated many years of service to our school, supporting families and colleagues with kindness, commitment and care. We are incredibly grateful for everything they have contributed to our school community and the positive impact they have made over the years. On behalf of everyone at school, we thank Mrs Brice and Mr Demaline for their unwavering dedication and friendship. We wish them both a long, happy and well-deserved retirement filled with good health, happiness and new adventures. They will always be a valued part of our school family and will be greatly missed.

Farewell to Year 6

Our Year 6 Leavers' Service was a truly memorable occasion. The children entertained everyone with their own Googlebox-inspired presentation, shared wonderful memories from their time at school and reflected on the friendships they have made over the years.

We would like to thank FONS for the lovely leavers' gifts and the ice creams enjoyed after the service. The school was also delighted to present each child with a special keepsake to remember their time with us.

The whole school gathered to clap our Year 6 children out of school for the final time before enjoying a fantastic Colour Run to round off the celebrations. We are incredibly proud of each and every one of our leavers and know they have bright futures ahead of them. As our school vision reminds us, "It is possible for ordinary people to choose to be extraordinary," and we know they will continue to do just that.

Wishing Everyone a Wonderful Summer

As we head into the summer holidays, we would like to wish all of our children, families and members of our local community a safe, happy and restful summer. We look forward to welcoming everyone back in September, especially our new Reception children and their families, as we begin another exciting school year together.

MISS K FALLON - SCHOOL

ADMINISTRATION OFFICER

The Friends of Newchurch School 100 Club draw has taken place for June and July. The winners are:

June

- 1st Prize £25 – No. 8 Helen Norris
- 2nd Prize £20 – No. 100 Laura Standring
- 3rd Prize £15 – No. 4 Frankie Lawson

July

- 1st Prize £25 – No. 72 Samiela Akbar
- 2nd Prize £20 – No. 53 Tracy Connor
- 3rd Prize £15 – No. 63 John Lowcock

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to everyone who takes part.

Explore the Forest of Bowland with the New Discover Bowland App

Offline maps, 100+ hand-picked walking, cycling and access for all routes plus more...

A brand-new way to explore the Forest of Bowland National Landscape has arrived with the launch of the Discover Bowland app – your easy-to-use digital guide to this beautiful and unspoilt corner of Lancashire and North Yorkshire.

Now available to download for free on the Apple App Store and Google Play, the app is designed to help visitors and local communities alike, make the most of their time in the area; whether you're planning a day trip, a walking or cycling adventure, or a relaxing countryside escape.

Packed with offline maps (including detailed Ordnance Survey mapping), over 100 hand-picked routes for walking, cycling and access for all, local information, and insider tips, Discover Bowland brings everything you need together in one place – even when you're out in more remote areas with limited signal.

With the app in your pocket, you can set out to explore Bowland's open fells, peaceful river valleys, hidden heritage and charming villages. Along the way, you'll also find inspiration for places to stay, authentic experiences and places to eat and enjoy local produce. The businesses featured are part of the Forest of Bowland Sustainable Tourism Network, helping you support those who are committed to caring for this special place while offering a warm welcome to visitors.

Friends of Newchurch School
100 club draw

Alongside visitor use, the app gives local people a free way to explore nearby routes and spend time outdoors in their own area.

Whether you're after a gentle walk, a scenic bike ride, an accessible route or a more challenging hike, Discover Bowland makes it easier to find your way and explore at your own pace. It also promotes responsible enjoyment, helping to look after the National Landscape for future generations.

Tony Lund, Partnership Manager for the Forest of Bowland National Landscape, said: "We want the Forest of Bowland to be a welcoming place for everyone, whether you're visiting for the first time or have lived here all your life. The Discover Bowland app helps people get out and explore with confidence, and it works alongside the practical work we do to look after and improve our public rights of way. It also highlights our 'access for all' projects, helping more people enjoy the health, wellbeing and sense of connection this amazing landscape offers."

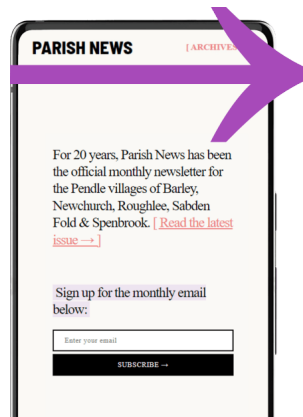
Craig Wareham, Global Director B2C & UK CEO at Outdooractive, said: "We are delighted to partner with the Forest of Bowland National Landscape on the launch of their Discover Bowland app. The Outdooractive app technology platform makes it easier for destinations of all kinds to deliver high-quality digital experiences for both visitors and residents. By bringing trusted local content, mapping, route guidance and recommendations into one branded app, Discover Bowland will help people explore with confidence while supporting the Forest of Bowland's wider goals around sustainability, visitor engagement and responsible destination management."

Download the app today and start planning your next Bowland adventure: [Apple App Store](#) or [Google Play Store](#)

Have you got a new neighbour?

Please mention Parish News to them!

IF YOU HAVE any neighbours or friends that have just moved to the area, or who might not be aware of this newsletter, please can you mention Parish News to them. We're now on 800+ email subscribers across Barley, Goldshaw Booth and Roughlee so are definitely reaching the majority of



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