

The Good Shepherd's Hut

Guest Information

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Contact Number

In case of queries during your stay please call or text 07876458173.

Other contact details

Postal Address

The Shepherd's Hut
St Nicholas Church
Kyloe
Berwick Upon Tweed
Northumberland
TD15 2PG

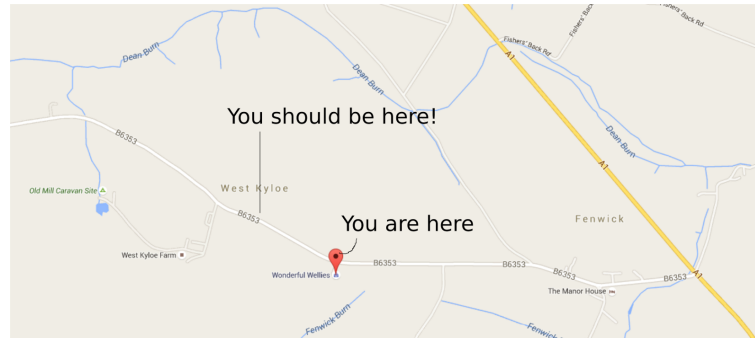
Website: <http://www.stnicholaschurch.co.uk>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/goodshepherdshut/>

Twitter: @kyloechurch

Finding The Hut

Rule 1: Your GPS is lying! If you're using GPS or Google maps, were about 500m up the hill (on the right) from where the map pin lands.



The Hut is in the grounds of St Nicholas Church.

St Nicholas Church
Kyle
Berwick Upon Tweed
Northumberland
TD15 2PG

If you're arriving by car, it's along the A1 to Fenwick (a mile south of the Holy Island turn off) west on the B6353 for a mile, and The Hut is behind St Nicholas Church, Kyle which is on the right as you climb the hill.

There's a bus stop (north and south bound) at Fenwick, buses run from Berwick, Alnwick and Newcastle. (X18) The nearest train station is Berwick upon Tweed - it's about £18 in a taxi from there or £4 on the bus to Fenwick.



Arrival

When you arrive, park in the car park. walk up to the church, walk along the front, turn right after the porch and the hut is ahead through the trees. The hut will be open, please just let yourself in. Enjoy your stay.

Fire Safety

Fire exits

There is one exit from the hut, it's the door you came in by.

1. The Main Door - this door may be locked with the key provided.

Fire Fighting Equipment

The hut is equipped with a fire blanket and fire extinguisher for emergencies. Please familiarise yourselves with them and operate in accordance with the instructions printed on them.

Log burner

The log burner is designed to operate with the door closed. If operated with the door open it may burn excessively hot and will allow sparks and hot ash to enter the room.

Please do not leave the log burner unattended with door open.

With the door vent open the log burner will go like a blast furnace, good for getting it going - but you'll spend more time out in the rain getting fuel, than sitting by it.

There are plenty of logs outside on the decking, and more kindling and paper in the little hut.

If you're getting low on logs, text us on the contact number on page 1.

Emergency Contacts

Doctor

The nearest Doctor's Surgery is in Belford

Belford Medical Practice
Croft Field
Belford
Northumberland NE70 7ER
Tel: 01668 213738

Website: <http://www.belfordmedicalpractice.nhs.uk/>

Dentist

Brucegate Dental Practice offer an emergency service for non registered patients

Brucegate Dental Practice
Brucegate
Berwick upon Tweed
TD15 1LP
Tel: 01289 306084

Email: info@brucegatedentalpractice.co.uk

Website: <http://www.brucegatedentalpractice.co.uk/>

Accident & Emergency

Berwick has a small hospital catering for minor emergencies

Berwick Infirmary
Infirmary Square,
Berwick-upon-Tweed,
TD15 1LT
Tel: 0344 811 8111

Website: <https://www.northumbria.nhs.uk/berwick>

Email: contactus@northumbria.nhs.uk

First Aid

There is a basic First Aid kit in the little hut. If you use any items, please let us know so that they can be replaced, thank you.

Cooking

The hut is equipped with a 2 ring electric hob, a conventional microwave and a toaster.

Heating & Hot Water

The hut is equipped with an electric constant water heater. This system is set to provide hot water on demand at any time of day/night.

The water heater supplies ample water for a good hot shower. If you have difficulty setting the temperature try the process below as the control is not thermostatic.

1. Turn the handle full left (hot) and full in (off)
2. Pull the handle out towards you slowly to about half way, and let the temperature settle.

The heated towel rail is set to come on twice a day, once in the morning, once in the evening.

If you wish to have the towel rail on at times other than these, please use the 'advance' feature on the timer on the wall by the cooker rings.

Plumbing

We have a septic tank. Please do not put anything down the toilet (apart from toilet paper) which you have not previously eaten or drunk, thank you.

There are disposal bags in the mirrored bathroom cupboard.

Please do not use any bleaches or strong cleaning products that are not specifically designed for septic tanks. If you are unsure please give us a call, we can provide you with something suitable.

Fuse box

If a bulb blows or circuit breaker trips, you may need to reset the circuit breaker. The Fuse Box is behind the small panel behind the table. There are two screws which must be removed to access it. There is a suitable screwdriver in the cutlery drawer.

If you are unsure, please give us a shout.

Power Cuts

We occasionally get power cuts. Don't worry - they generally only happen once and last for a minute at most.

TV, Internet & Entertainment

The hut is provided with wireless broadband. We are in a remote location, hence it is limited to around 5mb.

The hut has an HD TV with built in CD/DVD player and high quality sound system. Terrestrial TV is limited to Freeview.

The TV also has an Amazon FireTV stick fitted which provides access to 'catch up' facilities such as BBC iPlayer.

Watching TV

To watch TV simply use the TV remote to switch on and select channels.

The FireTV Stick is on HDMI 1.

iPlayer, Streaming, Youtube, Netflix etc

Select HDMI1 on the using the AV button on the TV remote.
Use the FireTV remote to select the required facility from the menu.

iPods, iPhone, Tablets, mp3 players etc

If you wish to listen to music from your phone, mp3 player or tablet there is a short audio cable behind the DAB radio. Plug this into the AUX socket on the left hand side of the radio (the radio will go quiet at this point).

Connect your iThing to the other end - and hey presto!

Wireless Internet

Wireless internet is provided. The network is called 'ShepherdsHut'. The network is password protected. The password is 'gingereggs'.

The Little Hut

The little hut by the steps contains a number of things;

- Cleaning equipment (Brooms etc)
- Space for coats, rucksacks & other outdoor gear.
- Newspapers and kindling for lighting the fire
- A bottle carrier for glass recycling
- A compost bucket
- An ash bucket

Rubbish

The bins are in the car park against the wall, black for general waste, blue for recycling (not glass).

Glass should be placed in the bottle carrier in the outhouse.

Please leave old newspapers in the little hut, we like to keep them for winter fire-lighting :)

If you wish to separate your compost, there is also a compost bin in the outhouse, when it is full, send us a text.

Transport

Buses

The nearest bus stop is on the A1 at Fenwick. There is a bus shelter north bound for buses to Berwick and Edinburgh.

For southbound buses (Alnwick, Newcastle and beyond) sit on the crash barrier opposite the Fenwick junction but stand up when you see the bus approaching and make yourself known or it will hurtle past (honestly).

Buses serving Fenwick are:

X18, X15, 477

Timetables are available on the Traveline Journey planner

<http://www.travelinenortheast.info/Pages/Home.aspx>

Taxis

The nearest taxi company is in Belford

CROFT CABS: Mob: 07803 496 278

It's a one man operation, so best to book in advance

Parking

Many of the Northumberland County Council car parks and town parking require a parking disc, there is one here for your use, if you forget it, they are widely available in shops, cafes etc in Alnwick and Berwick, they cost £1.

Fuel

The nearest petrol station is at Beal, which is the junction for Holy Island, 1 mile north from the junction with the A1.

Petrol in Berwick is generally the cheapest.

Places to go, things to do

Eating & Drinking

The Barn at Beal

Lunchtime and evening dining, snacks and full meals, on the way to Holy Island.

<http://www.barnatbeal.com/>

The Ship Inn (Low Newton by the Sea)

Great pub great location - right on the edge of the sea. Good fresh food, and its own microbrewery (great beer)

<http://www.shipinnnewton.co.uk/>

The Jolly Fisherman (Craster)

Family pub good food - great location (Craster, just opposite the kipper smokery)

<http://www.thejollyfishermancraster.co.uk/>

The Masons Arms (Norham)

Lovey pub, lovely village, real fire, good food, good beer, great for a Sunday afternoon.

<http://www.themasonsarmsnorham.co.uk/>

The Black Bull Inn (Lowick)

Recently reopened after a full refurbishment. Good selection of real ales, bright and airy, good food. Very popular as it has recently re-opened - best to reserve a table for food.

<http://www.blackbulllowick.co.uk/>

The Tankerville Arms (Eglingham)

Old local pub with open fires good beer and a friendly owner/manager/landlady. Very good restaurant quality food. Well worth the trip - recommend you call ahead and book - restaurant not open for all lunch times - check the website.

<https://www.tankervillearms.com/>

Places of interest

Holy Island

The Holy Island of Lindisfarne: In 635AD Saint Aidan came from Iona and chose to found his monastery on Lindisfarne. The Christian message flourished here and spread throughout the world.

Be sure to check the Tide Tables!

<https://www.lindisfarne.org.uk/>

Berwick

Berwick Walls - Take a walk around some of the best preserved Elizabethan Fortifications in the country.

Alnwick Castle and Gardens

The Famous Castle and its formal gardens - check opening times carefully!
There are discount vouchers with the visitor leaflets.

<http://www.alnwickcastle.com/>

<http://www.alnwickgarden.com/>

Chain Bridge

For something a bit different by way of somewhere to visit ...

<https://www.chainbridgehoney.com/>

Visitors Guide

There's quite a good on-line guide to stuff around Northumberland here

<https://kingfishervisitorguides.com/northumberland/>

Local shops and facilities

Lowick

Two and a half miles further inland along the B6353
Lowick Store: A small local shop and off licence
Open early for newspapers
Opening hours 07:00 to 17:30 (closed tuesday and sunday afternoons)
Website: <https://www.facebook.com/LowickVillageStore/>

Beal

Beal Services (back to the A1, one mile north)
Not 24hrs but open early till late. Has a small convenience supermarket and off licence.
There is also a cashpoint here though it does charge for withdrawals.

Belford

Back to the A1, five miles south
Well stocked Co-op, free cashpoint.
Open 0700-2200 every day
Website: <http://www.co-operative.coop/store/food/NE70-7QE/west-street>

The John Dory Fish & Chip shop
Thursday 17:00-21:00
Friday 12:00-14:00 17:00-21:00
Saturday 12:00-14:00 17:00-21:00

Norham

Foremans Butcher
<http://www.borderbutcher.co.uk/>

A bit out of the way - but a really good butcher... and off licence ... and fishing tackle shop! If you're up that way drop in and get some of their great bacon.

Berwick

Berwick has a number of national chain stores & supermarkets (Aldi, Asda, M&S, Morrisons, Tesco) in addition to a wide range of smaller independent retailers, restaurants and pubs.

The main street is a bit generic, like many small towns. However if you head down to Bridge Street - which runs to the old bridge you will find an interesting selection of craft shops, antique shops, cafes and bars (try the Curfew Micro Pub ... if you can find it!).

Departure

Once you're all packed up, just leave the key in the door. Normal checkout time is 12noon.

Thank you for choosing to stay at The Good Shepherd's Hut. We hope you have a safe journey home.