



heritage open days

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# HERITAGE OPEN DAYS



12 - 21 September 2025

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# Heritage Open Days Events 2025

## LANCASTER

### Lancaster Castle

Castle Parade, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA1 1YJ

Free guided tours of one of the most iconic buildings in the north-west, originally constructed in about 1093 by Roger de Poitou and now owned by HM The King. You will visit some areas of the former prison, the historic courtrooms, the Old Cells, Hadrian's Tower and The Drop Room.

- Saturday 13 September: tours every 30 mins 10:00 until 16:00
- Sunday 14 September: tours every 30 mins 10:00 until 16:00

Booking on the day only, first-come, first-served basis.

Max no of people per tour: 39

Est. tour duration: 1 hour, 15 minutes

Access: Uneven floor surfaces with changing floor levels, low doorways and stairs throughout. Unfortunately not suitable for wheelchairs or pushchairs.

Contact for the day: 01524 64998

[www.lancastercastle.com](http://www.lancastercastle.com)



### 15 Castle Hill: the evolution of a building

15 Castle Hill, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA1 1YS

Welcome to this 17th century building, the smallest and most immersive museum in the North West. Sit a while by the fire, have a go with a drop spindle, try on a hat, grate some spices and learn all about this fascinating building and how it has changed over the centuries.

- Saturday 13 September: 13:00-16:00
- Sunday 14 September: 13:00-16:00
- Saturday 20 September: 13:00-16:00
- Sunday 21 September: 13:00-16:00

Pre-booking not required

Access: The Cottage Museum is over several floors, and access is via narrow and steep staircases. Different floor levels and floor coverings. No toilet facilities on site, very low light levels.

Contact on day: R. Whittaker 01524 382264

### Artistic and Functional at The Storey and Storey Gardens

The Storey & Gardens, Meeting House Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1TH

In The Storey building a stained glass window provides light, enhances the architecture and has an educational function. Admire the historic portico gate entrance opposite Lancaster Castle, the Georgian wall and huge copper beech tree in the garden.

- Friday 12 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open
- Saturday 13 September: 09:00-17:00, volunteers present 10:00-16:00
- Monday 15 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open
- Tuesday 16 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open
- Wednesday 17 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open
- Thursday 18 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open
- Friday 19 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open
- Saturday 20 September: 09:00-17:00 gardens open

Pre-booking not required

Contact on day: Events Team, The Storey 01524 582226



### Treasures and Talks from the Lancaster Health and Medical Museum Collection

The Music Room at The Storey, Meeting House Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1TH

An exhibition of items from our large medical museum collection, items donated from our founder collector, the late Dr. John Carne, and an anatomical display including anatomical posters and a model skeleton. Plus talks by Trustees on various aspects of local medical history.

- Wednesday 17 September: 14:30-19:00
- Thursday 18 September: 11:30-16:00

Pre-booking not required



### Tour of Lancaster Library

Lancaster Central Library, Market Street, Lancaster, LA1 1HY

Have you ever wondered what's behind the closed doors of your local library? Attend a short guided tour of all the normally inaccessible parts of Lancaster Library, enjoy a photo presentation to see how the library has evolved since the 1930's, and learn more about the library's history.

- Saturday 13 September: 15:00 & 15:30
- Wednesday 17 September: 17:30 & 18:00

Pre-booking required via Jessica Baldwin 0300 1236703 or [lancaster.library@lancashire.gov.uk](mailto:lancaster.library@lancashire.gov.uk) or <https://www6.apps.lancashire.gov.uk/w/webpage/event-details?eventid=2464761>

Max no of people per tour: 8

Est. tour duration: 30 minutes

Access: Lancaster Library's reference section is not lift accessible.

The Sanctuary is lift accessible but we ask that you let staff know in confidence if you may struggle to use the stairs in an emergency.



## Lancaster Grand Theatre

St Leonardgate, Lancaster LA1 1NL

Step beyond the curtain and explore the rich history of one of England's oldest working theatres. This special event offers a unique opportunity to learn about our heritage, see hidden parts of the theatre, and uncover fascinating stories from the past.

- Saturday 13 September: 10:00, 12:00, 14:00

Pre-booking is preferred via 01524 64695

Max no of people per tour: 50

Est. tour duration: 1 hour, 30 minutes

Access: We have made the Lancaster Grand as accessible as possible within the restrictions of our historic venue. If you require any support or have any questions about access, please do not hesitate to contact us on 01524 64695.

Contact on day: Adrian Tayler 01524 64695



## Lancaster Priory Tours

1 Priory Close, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA1 1YZ

Offering a unique and interesting interior, there is much to see inside the building. Architecture is more than just a functional necessity—it is a testament to artistic and technical mastery, a symbol of cultural identity, and a carrier of historical memory.

- Saturday 13 September: with tours at 11:30-12:15 & 12:15-13:00
- Saturday 20 September: with tours at 11:30-12:15 & 12:15-13:00

No booking required. Max 30 people per tour. Tour lasts approx. 45 mins.

- Saturday 13 September: Coffee Concert with The Red Rose Ensemble at 10:30-11:15
- Wednesday 17 September: Vocal Workshop with Tim Uffindell at 18:45-21:00
- Friday 19 September: Candlelight Music and Theatre at 19:30-20:30
- Saturday 20 September: Coffee Concert at 10:30-11:15

Access: We work hard to ensure that our building and events taking place within are as accessible as possible in this historic setting. There are 4 wheelchair spaces with free Personal Assistant seats for each service or concert performance. Paths and driveways on the hill are uneven in places. Contact for the day: Parish Office 01524 65338

## Judges' Lodgings 400th Birthday Party

Church Street, Lancaster, LA1 1YS

Bring friends and family for a very special birthday party to celebrate 400 years of Lancaster's oldest Town House. Meet the servants to find out about life below stairs and enjoy traditional games in the garden. View normally hidden areas of the house and find out about the ordinary people that lived here.

- Saturday 13 September: 11:00-16:00
- Sunday 14 September: 11:00-16:00

Pre-booking not required

Access: Unfortunately access is limited. The ground floor of the museum can be accessed through the side entrance up a short steep hill and a step. There is nearby parking on Castle Hill.

Contact: Lynda Jackson, Helen Gregory, Jenny Dowell 01524 581241  
[www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/judges-lodgings](http://www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/judges-lodgings)

## Assembly Arts - Open Artists' Studios

The Assembly Rooms, King Street, Lancaster, LA1 1JN

Come and meet the resident artists at Assembly Arts in their studios housed in the beautiful and historic Georgian Assembly Rooms on Lancaster's King Street. There will be an opportunity to tour the building and see our latest exhibition.

- Saturday 13 September: 10:00 - 17:00

Pre-booking not required.

Max no of people per tour: 8  
Est. tour duration: 30 minutes  
Access: The main access to the Assembly Arts studios is via a staircase.  
The Gallery is at street level.  
Contact on day: Dr Alan Morris 07831 130633  
[www.assemblyarts.co.uk](http://www.assemblyarts.co.uk)



## King Street Arts (Lancaster) CIC

5A King Street, Lancaster, LA1 1JN  
Rebuilt in Art Deco-Style in the 1930's, climb the Escher-like staircase to see artists at work in their studios. You can see a special exhibition of artists' completed work and work in-progress.

- **Saturday 13 September: 11:00-17:00**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 8

Est. tour duration: 20 minutes

Access: We are on the eastern side of King Street, our front door is to the side of Seville's Hairdresser's, close to the pedestrian area of Market street. Single step at the entrance and stairs to first and second floor studios.

## Lancaster Quaker Meeting House

Meeting House Lane, Lancaster, LA1 1TX

We will share with you the history of the Meeting House, how we worship and how we put our faith into action. You will have the opportunity to explore our grounds, including our gravestones walk, where some visitors may recognise family names.

- **Sunday 21 September: 14:00-16:00 Tours every 20 minutes**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 20. Est. tour duration: 1 hour

Access: Part of the grounds are not fully accessible by wheelchair or prams. Please use the large entrance if you are a wheelchair user or pushing a pram.

Contact on the day: Ann Morgan 07977 012328



## A Neighbourhood Through Time – Fairfield & Cannon Hill Guided Walk

Lancaster Railway Station/Tite & Locke, Station Road, Lancaster, LA1 5NW  
A guided walk exploring the development of a leafy middle-class suburb on the western edge of Lancaster town centre. Discover what was there before, when and how it was developed and who lived and stayed there.

- **Saturday 13 September: 13:30-15:00**
- **Sunday 14 September: 13:30-15:00**
- **Saturday 20 September: 13:30-15:00**
- **Sunday 21 September: 13:30-15:00**

Pre-booking required via

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/nxnw/e-aglroa](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/nxnw/e-aglroa)

Max no of people per tour: 12

Est. tour duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Access: This is a guided circular walk along paved footpaths and side roads of approximately 1.6 miles which should take around 1.5 hours. There may be some uneven pavements, plus there is a section along an unmade public footpath that can be bypassed via an alternative route.

Contact: Stuart Marshall 07765 120926



## 2025 Festival: Discover St John's, Lancaster

Church of St John the Evangelist, North Road, Lancaster, LA1 1PA

Come and explore the refined Georgian craftsmanship of this church, built for the expanding merchant community of Lancaster. Our volunteers will be on hand to highlight what makes this church truly special, and how the use of the church has changed throughout its life.

- **Saturday 13 September: 11:00-13:00**
- **Saturday 20 September: 11:00-13:00**

Pre-booking not required

## Standfast & Barracks Factory Tours

Caton Road, Lancaster, LA1 3PA

Discover what life is really like behind our prestigious walls. We have been printing fabrics on this site since 1924, over 100 years! The building, which dates back to 1864, has a rich history as a wagon works and prisoner of war camp.

- **Saturday 20 September: Tours every 45 mins 09:15-14:30**

Pre-booking required, booking opens on the 26th August at 12:00

Max no of people per tour: 20

Est. tour duration: 1 hour, 30 minutes. Please arrive 20 minutes early.

Access: The tour is around 1 mile, some walking and standing. Please wear sturdy, closed toe footwear (no high-heels or sandals), and bring small bags.

Mostly wheelchair accessible, some areas unsuitable. Sorry there are no disabled toilet facilities. Limited disabled parking. No dogs are permitted except guide dogs; please inform us if you are planning to bring a guide dog. Contact on day: Ayesha Howorth 07856 913150

## Christ Church, Lancaster

Wyresdale Road, Lancaster, Lancashire, LA1 3EA

A beautiful Grade II listed building, with stunning views across the Bay. Join us for guided tours of this 168 year-old landmark, telling the story of rich and poor alike as the east side of Lancaster grew during the 19th Century.

- **Saturday 13 September: Tours at 11:00 & 14:00**
- **Saturday 20 September: Tours at 11:00 & 14:00**

Max no of people per tour: 30

Est. tour duration: 1 hour

- **Saturday 20 September: 12:00 - 16:00 Apple Festival: music, stalls, games**

Access: Some areas of the church involve climbing 2 steps (although there is full visibility from floor level). Well behaved dogs welcome.

Contact on day: Rev'd Carol Backhouse 01524 942105

## St John's Church Ellel near Lancaster

Chapel Lane, Galgate, Lancaster, LA2 0PW

Spend an afternoon looking round a hidden gem of a country church in the depths of rural Lancashire together with local historian and Parishioner Shaun Corkerry. Whilst not the oldest parish Church in the area, St John's is full of history, as you will see! There will be brief presentations to give context and tell the story of the 3 Parish Churches of Ellel since 1154.

- **Sunday 14 September: 13:00-16:00**
- **Sunday 21 September: 13:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Contact on day: Shaun Corkerry 07951 731201



## Sts Thomas & Elizabeth RC Church

Thurnham Hall, Thurnham, Lancaster, LA2 0DT

The church opened in 1848, replacing the chapel built in 1818. The grounds contain an 1830s mausoleum of the Gillow family. Display of Victorian vestments and treasures including Pugin monstrance and Riding Chalice.

- **Saturday 20 September: 11:00-16:00**
- **Sunday 21 September: 11:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Contact on day: John F. Regan 07771 737101



## Cockersand Abbey Chapter House

Moss Lane, Thurnham, LA2 0AZ

Chapter House of Premonstratensian Abbey dissolved in 1539 and became the mausoleum of the landowners - Dalton's. View an exhibition of artifacts and photographs from the last excavations in 1927.

- **Saturday 13 September: 12:00-16:00**
- **Sunday 14 September: 12:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 20

Access: Park in farmyard. Rough track to site, Chapter House is in the middle of a field usually used by cattle.

Contact on day: John Regan 07771 737101



## St Wilfrid's Church, Halton

Church Brow, Halton, Lancaster, LA2 6LS

Come and see the unique Sigurd Cross in the Church yard which has both Christian and Viking carvings. There will be tours up the tower to see the wonderful views over the village and Lune Valley. Stalls and light refreshments will be available plus activities for children - can they find the church mice?

- **Saturday 20 September: 10:30-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 8

Est. tour duration: 15 minutes

Access: Please contact Rev Susan at [revsusan.seed@btinternet.com](mailto:revsusan.seed@btinternet.com) to reserve a disabled parking place. Tours up the tower include a steep spiral staircase. Children must be aged 8+ and accompanied by an adult.

Contact on day: Rev'd Susan Seed 07854 871281

## Bentham Quaker Meeting House Open Afternoon

Calf Cop Meeting House, Burton Road, Low Bentham, North Yorks, LA2 7ET

A building of elegant simplicity set in deep quietness high above the Burton Road in Low Bentham, with wonderful views of Ingleborough and the surrounding Yorkshire countryside.

- **Saturday 20 September: 14:00-16:30**

Pre-booking not required

Access: The upstairs gallery in the Meeting House is only accessible on foot. The Meeting House is signposted as "Friends Meeting House".

## St Oswald's Church Thornton

New Road, Thornton in Lonsdale, North Yorkshire, LA6 3PB

Join us for tours and a special display celebrating our parish stories and heritage: from the internationally famous (Conan Doyle, Turner) to the local communities that live and work here on the edge of the Yorkshire Dales.

- **Friday 19 September: 11:00-16:00**
- **Saturday 20 September: 11:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Est. tour duration: 30 minutes

Contact on day: Rev Harriet Johnson 07777 936647



## All Saints Church, Burton in Lonsdale

High Street, Burton in Lonsdale, North Yorkshire, LA6 3JU

The historical books, letters and other items uncovered during the tidying of the church in 2018 will be on view for visitors. The Bell Tower, and the Lych Gate, normally closed, will be opened for visitors.

- **Saturday 13 September: 10:30-15:00**
- **Friday 19 September: 10:30-16:00**
- **Saturday 20 September: 10:30-16:00**
- **Sunday 21 September: 12:30-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 8

Est. tour duration: 1 hour

Access: There are ramps within the church ground floor - but access to the tower is via a narrow and winding staircase, difficult for those with mobility problems. Parking is street parking with one parking space next to the church for blue badge holders. There will be no tower tours on 13 September when the church will be open for the village harvest festival.

Contact on day: Catherine Birtwistle 07931 347480



Plan Your Festival:  
[www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)



# MORECAMBE BAY

## Morecambe Winter Gardens - Designing and Building The Albert Hall of the North

209 Marine Road West, Morecambe, Lancashire, LA4 4BU

Join Professor Vanessa Toulmin for this free talk where she will discuss the architects and designers involved in the building of the Morecambe Winter Gardens, covering seaside architects Magnall and Littlewood.

- **Saturday 20 September: 15:30**

Pre-booking preferred via

[www.ticketsource.co.uk/morecambe-winter-gardens/t-krjglgy](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/morecambe-winter-gardens/t-krjglgy)

Contact on day: Terence Allum 01524 409009



## Borwick Hall

Borwick Hall, Borwick, Carnforth, Lancashire, LA6 1JU

Grade I-listed building dates back to the 14th century, with 16th-century additions and early 20th-century restorations. For two days only, Lancashire County Council's Outdoor Education Service will throw open its doors, offering you a unique glimpse into its storied past.

- **Tuesday 16 September: 10:00-16:00**
- **Wednesday 17 September: 10:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Access: Limited access for wheelchair users, prams and pushchairs. The site has multiple levels accessed via steps and uneven ground.

Refreshments available, cash payment only please.



## The Mysteries of Jenny Brown's Point

Jack Scout Lime Kiln, Sand Lane, Silverdale, Carnforth, LA5 0UA

Join the Morecambe Bay Partnership team for a guided walk through Silverdale's rich history and stunning landscapes. A leisurely 2.5 mile stroll from Jack Scout to Jenny Brown's Point pausing to enjoy the beautiful scenery and uncover the hidden stories and fascinating events that shaped the area.

- **Saturday 20 September: 14:00-16:00**

Booking is preferred via [claire@morecambebay.org.uk](mailto:claire@morecambebay.org.uk) or

[www.trybooking.com/uk/FESE](http://www.trybooking.com/uk/FESE)

Max no of people per tour: 30

Est. tour duration: 2 hours

Access: Nearest toilets are at the Wolf House Cafe for customers.

The walk will go at a gentle pace but there are steep sections and the ground is uneven. Walking boots are advised.

Contact: Claire Bradshaw 07760 881581

## Buildings, Bridges and Beehives! at Heron Corn Mill

Mill Lane, Beetham, Milnthorpe, Cumbria, LA7 7PQ

Come and try out some rural crafts, marvel at the traditional working watermill, cross the bridge to the turbine house for a tour. In the barn and outdoors there are stalls and wood workers, Iron Shepherds Living History Group, the bee society with hives to explore, and friendly farmer Pat with his Herdwick sheep Heidi and her pram of babies will entertain families. Refreshments on site and fresh bread and cakes too!

- **Saturday 20 September: 11:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 25

Est. tour duration: 1 hour 30 minutes

Access: A fairly steep ramped access from barn to mill. Handrails to left and right.

Contact: Audrey Steele 01539 564271

[www.heronmill.org](http://www.heronmill.org)



## Sizergh Estate Guided Walk

Sizergh Castle, Sizergh, Kendal, Cumbria, LA8 8AE

A walk around the grounds and estate of Sizergh Castle. Discover ancient archaeology, vibrant nature and investigate typical architecture of a lakeland farm.

- **Wednesday 17 September: Tour 11:00 & 14:00**
- **Thursday 18 September: Tour 11:00 & 14:00**

Pre-booking required - please call Sizergh reception on 015395 60951

Max no of people per tour: 16

Est. tour duration: 2 hours

Access: Trails pass through uneven tracks and over fields with small hills.

## **A Celebration of a Society Painter - a talk on George Romney atSizergh with Alex Kidson**

Sizergh Castle, Sizergh, Kendal, Cumbria, LA8 8AE

Join us in the Drawing Room for a fascinating insight into one of the most fashionable portrait painters of the 1700s. George Romney expert Alex Kidson, will be delving into the early career of the local artist and his connections to Sizergh.

- **Thursday 18 September: 18:00-19:30**
- **Friday 19 September: 18:00-19:30**

Pre-booking required: Gina Tawn 015395 69816

gina.tawn@nationaltrust.org.uk

Max no of people per tour: 20

Est. tour duration: 1 hours 15 minutes

Access: We regret that this event is not wheelchair accessible.



## **New Sedgewick Gunpowder Works Tour**

Sedgewick, Kendal, Cumbria, LA8 0JZ

Discover the remains of the new Sedgewick gunpowder works. Explore the history of the site, stories of its workers and impacts on the surrounding area. You will see the strongest parts of the site's architecture that have stood the test of time.

- **Friday 12 September: 11:00 & 14:00**
- **Sunday 14 September: 11:00 & 14:00**

Pre-booking required - please call Sizergh reception on 015395 60951

Max no of people per tour: 16

Est. tour duration: 2 hours

Access: Unfortunately this walk is not suitable for wheelchair users, as some paths may be muddy and uneven.

Please use postcode for Sizergh Castle, LA8 8DZ. Take a right before entering the main gate at Sizergh down Nannypie Lane and underneath the A591.

Go past the turn for Low Sizergh Barn and follow the lane to its end. Take a left at the T-junction. From here there will be signs for parking. Follow the road approximately 500 metres. Parking will be on the left after the house by some large barns.

## **Unwind the History of the Bobbin at Stott Park Bobbin Mill**

Low Stott Park, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 8AX

At the height of the industrial revolution this little mill turned out somewhere in the region of a quarter of a million bobbins per week. Come along to find out more about the people who worked here and to see the lathes in action.

- **Thursday 18 September: Tours at 10:30, 11:30, 14:00, 15:00**

Pre-booking required via [lucy.ronald@english-heritage.org.uk](mailto:lucy.ronald@english-heritage.org.uk) or

[www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stott-park-bobbin-mill](http://www.english-heritage.org.uk/visit/places/stott-park-bobbin-mill)

Max no of people per tour: 20

Est. tour duration: 45 mins

Access: Disabled parking is available in the lower car park. The floor of the old mill is cobbled and uneven. A section of the tour involves climbing a flight of steps - a member of the team will be available to explain the upper floor if you are not able to go up the stairs.

Contact: Lucy Ronald 07353 892197

## **Roxy Cinema, Ulverston - Behind the Scenes Tour**

Brogden Street, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 7AH

A chance to see behind the scenes at Ulverston's iconic, art-deco Roxy Cinema. Enjoy guided tours of the projection box with an explanation of how the films were projected "back in the day", with demonstrations using 35mm projector. Vintage film clips, ads and trailers will be shown.

- **Saturday 13 September: 10:00-13:30**

Pre-booking not required

Max no of people per tour: 12

Est. tour duration: 1 hour

Access: The cinema is situated upstairs and there is no disabled access at the present time.



## Rookhow

Rookhow Quaker Meeting House, Colton, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 8LA  
Visit this Grade II\* listed 300 year old Quaker Meeting House and see how we have improved energy efficiency with air source heat pumps and underfloor heating, whilst being sensitive to the building's history.

- **Friday 19 September: 10:00-16:00**  
- with a Quaker Meeting for Worship 12:30-13:00 (all welcome)

Pre-booking preferred: Please contact Sue Nicholls 07377 971783 / [contactrookhow@gmail.com](mailto:contactrookhow@gmail.com) if you wish to join us for the day so we can make enough cakes! Bring a packed lunch if you like.

Max no of people per tour: 30

Est. tour duration: 1 hour

[www.rookhow.org.uk/about-us](http://www.rookhow.org.uk/about-us)



## Backbarrow Ironworks Heritage Trust

Ironworks Road, Ulverston, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 8RF

Backbarrow Ironworks is one of the first built [1711] in the North of England continuing for over 250 years until 1965. This amazingly long period of iron production represents the best illustration of iron smelting technology development nationally.

- **Sunday 14 September: 11:00 & 13:00**

Pre-booking required, please email [richard@alistairsanderson.com](mailto:richard@alistairsanderson.com)

Max no of people per tour: 15

Est. tour duration: 1 hour

Access: Old industrial site, rough ground, high doorways on two levels with long flight of stairs. hence access is restricted to those fully mobile and as above not suitable for young children or pets. No toilet. Strong shoes or boots essential.

Contact on the day: Richard Sanderson 07772 960093



## Newland Charcoal Iron Furnace

Furnace Cottage, Newland, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 7QG

The site contains the remains of the Newland Charcoal Iron Furnace, an 18th-century water-powered blast furnace used for around 150 years to produce Pig Iron. Guided tours around the furnace remains and the surrounding hamlet are provided throughout the day.

- **Saturday 13 September: 10:00-17:00**
- **Sunday 14 September: 10:00-16:00**
- **Saturday 20 September: 10:00-17:00**
- **Sunday 21 September: 10:00-16:00**

Pre-booking not required

Access: Some of the site and tour route is available to wheelchair users.

Parking is limited to about 6 vehicles.

Contact on the day: Dr David Robson 07821 350848



## Born from the Local Landscape - Gleaston Water Mill

Gleaston, Ulverston, Cumbria, LA12 0QH

Join us for a talk about the construction and changes to the mill from the 14th century onwards. Look at the design and structure of the mill building - its infrastructure and sources of materials.

- **Wednesday 17 September: 11:15 and 14:15**
- **Thursday 18 September: 11:15 and 14:15**
- **Friday 19 September: 11:15 and 14:15**

Max no of people per tour: 20

Est. tour duration: 45 mins

Access: Ground floor uneven, steep flight of stairs to first floor.

Contact for the day: Vicky Brereton 01229 869244

[www.watermill.co.uk](http://www.watermill.co.uk)



## Dalton Castle

Market Place, Dalton-in-Furness, Cumbria, LA15 8AX

One of the oldest properties cared for by the National Trust in the North, with over 650 years of history. Formerly the manorial courthouse of Furness Abbey, the castle continued as a courthouse for over 300 years after the dissolution of the abbey in 1537.

- **Saturday 20 September: 14:00 - 17:00**

Pre-booking not required

Access: Access from the street is up two wide steps. Unfortunately the Great Hall is accessed via a large three-stage staircase.

Contact on day: 015395 60951

## MORE TO DISCOVER!

To find out even more about the district's fascinating heritage, why not visit one of the district's fantastic Museums and Heritage Centres?

Entry charges may be applicable - please visit [www.lancasterandmorecambebay.com](http://www.lancasterandmorecambebay.com) for details.

### **Lancaster City Museum and King's Own Royal Regiment Museum**

Market Square, Lancaster, LA1 1HT

Discover more about the City of Lancaster, one of England's Heritage Cities, from the pre-historic era, through to today. The immersive galleries are packed with objects and stories for you to explore the history of this wonderful city and its people.

The Regimental Museum, housed within Lancaster City Museum, tells the story of the King's Own, or 4th Regiment of Foot, from 1680 to modern times including the First and Second World War.

Open Monday, Tuesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 10:30-16:00

Tickets £5 (free to local residents). Museums multipass available.

### **Lancaster Maritime Museum**

St George's Quay, Lancaster, LA1 1RB

Using sound, smells, reconstructions and audiovisuals, Lancaster Maritime Museum covers the maritime trade of Lancaster, the history of the port, the Lancaster Canal and the fishing industry of the Lune Estuary and Morecambe Bay.

Open Monday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday: 12:00-16:00

Tickets £5 (free to local residents). Museums multipass available.

### **Morecambe Heritage Centre**

Unit 29, Arndale Centre, Market Street, Morecambe, LA4 5DH

Illustrating Morecambe's rich heritage through temporary and permanent exhibitions of archaeology and architecture, coastline and bay, tourism and entertainment, and the people and families that make Morecambe so special.

Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays: 11:00-16:00

### **Heysham Heritage Centre**

Main Street, Heysham, LA3 2RW

This 17th-Century longhouse houses all of Heysham's fascinating history, superbly captured in its displays and exhibitions.

Please check opening times before visiting: 01524 853465.

### **Carnforth Station Heritage Centre**

Warton Road, Carnforth, LA5 9TR,

This extensive heritage centre tells not only the story of the making of the film Brief Encounter, which was filmed on location here, but delves into the history and heritage of Carnforth, its workers and its families.

Open Monday-Saturday: 12:00-16:00

### **Morecambe Winter Gardens**

109 Marine Road, Morecambe, LA4 4BU

Come and tour this fascinating theatre which has played host to many famous stars of stage and screen: George Formby, Gracie Fields, Vera Lynn, the Who and the Rolling Stones to name but a few!

Open weekends: 12:00-16:00

### **Leighton Hall**

Warton, near Carnforth, LA5 9ST

The ancestral home of the world-renowned Gillow furniture family, Leighton Hall is still lived in today and is no stuffy museum – there aren't any roped-off areas here!

Open Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday: 13:30-17:30

Gardens: £5.50-£8, Hall Tour and Gardens: £8-£13

To find out more about Lancaster and Morecambe Bay:

[www.lancasterandmorecambebay.com](http://www.lancasterandmorecambebay.com)

**LANCASTER +  
MORECAMBE BAY**

Heritage Open Days is England's largest festival of history and culture, and over ten days in September, venues across the district will throw open their doors for FREE, inviting you to come and discover hidden places, peek behind the scenes and try out new experiences. England's contribution to the European Heritage Days scheme and co-ordinated today by the National Trust with support from players of the People's Postcode Lottery, it's known as 'the local national festival'.

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This year the festival focuses on Architecture, not just buildings, and bridges - but gardens and greenhouses, beehives and batboxes, railways and rollercoasters too - anything which is built, by humans or by animals! We look forward to discovering more about the structures that surround us - there are so many stories to tell, celebrating the makers, the menders, the materials and more!



We hope you'll join us (12 - 21 September)  
to celebrate the unique heritage of  
Lancaster and Morecambe Bay!  
[www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)

**Please Note:** This leaflet highlights various events and activities across Lancaster and Morecambe Bay. For a full list of Heritage Open Day events across the country and for some local events that registered after the production of this leaflet visit [www.heritageopendays.org.uk](http://www.heritageopendays.org.uk)

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