



The development of Bowland Fresh milk has secured the future of many family farms in the area, as well as helped to protect the beautiful Bowland landscape for future generations to enjoy. A similar scheme has been developed for locally produced meat called 'Bowland Forest Foods'. Please look out for both brands when you shop and help support local farmers.



including an early Friends Meeting House and Quaker burial ground containing headstones from the 19th and early 20th centuries. The graveyard is managed to encourage biodiversity, and a bench is available for passers by to sit and reflect. About one third of the buildings within Newton village are listed. Land holdings within the village are mentioned in wills for members of the de Knoll family and it is likely that the village dates from the post-conquest period as there is no mention of it in historical records until the 13th century, where it is listed as Newton - a name that means 'new settlement'. In 2000 Lancaster University undertook a field study where they found watercourses and a trackway to the south of the village dating back to the 16th century.

The small village of Dunsop Bridge can be found in a glorious setting of Bowland fells, streams and rivers. It is officially recognised as the village closest to the centre of the British Isles and in 1992 British Telecom installed their 100,000th payphone on the village green to celebrate this. The area is still a farming community at heart and the farms and houses are mostly owned by United Utilities or the Duchy of Lancaster Estate. The latter was purchased from the Towneley family in 1939. The Towneley family left a lasting impression on the village; chiefly the building of St Hubert's RC church on the Trough road. This was

The success of the local lead mining in the nineteenth century resulted in a further increase in the size of Dunsop, and more recently houses were built for forestry and water board employees. There is now a more diverse array of occupations but villagers retain a strong sense of community. The neighbouring village of Newton-in-Bowland is surrounded by small fields enclosed by dry stone walls and woodland. Stone cottages in this conservation area village are meticulously cared for and stand above the River Hodder. Some of these properties arose from religious dissent

## History of Newton

# FOREST OF BOWLAND

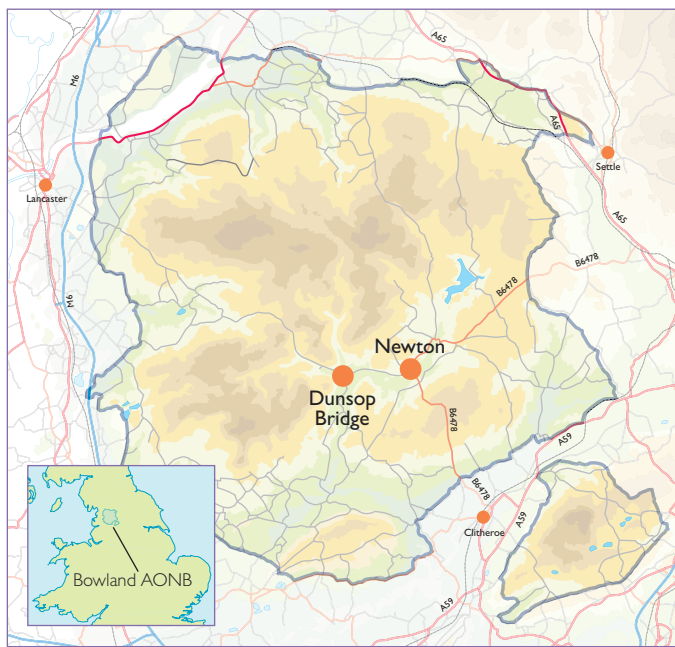
## Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty

The Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) is a nationally protected landscape and internationally important for its heather moorland, blanket bog and rare birds. It is the first protected area in England to be awarded the European Charter for Sustainable Tourism in Protected Areas. The Charter approach ensures that organisations, local people and businesses are working together to protect the area, whilst at the same time increasing opportunities for visitors to discover and enjoy its special qualities. Sustainable tourism aims to make a low impact on the environment and local culture, while encouraging better income, employment and conservation of the very landscape upon which our tourism is based. For more information regarding the Forest of Bowland AONB, visit the website at [www.forestofbowland.com](http://www.forestofbowland.com) or ring **01772 534709** for an information leaflet. The businesses featured here are part of the local economy which supports this special landscape - please support them with your custom and enjoy your stay!

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## How to find us

**Public Transport:** The B10 bus that travels from Clitheroe to Settle via Slaidburn stops at both Newton and Dunsop Bridge. For more details call Traveline on **0871 200 22 33**. There are rail connections at Settle and Clitheroe.



**By Road:** Newton is on the B6478 approximately 7 miles north of Clitheroe. Dunsop Bridge is just less than 3 miles to the east of Newton on an unclassified road.



## WELCOME TO DUNSOP BRIDGE AND NEWTON

Local Information, Attractions, Activities and Accommodation

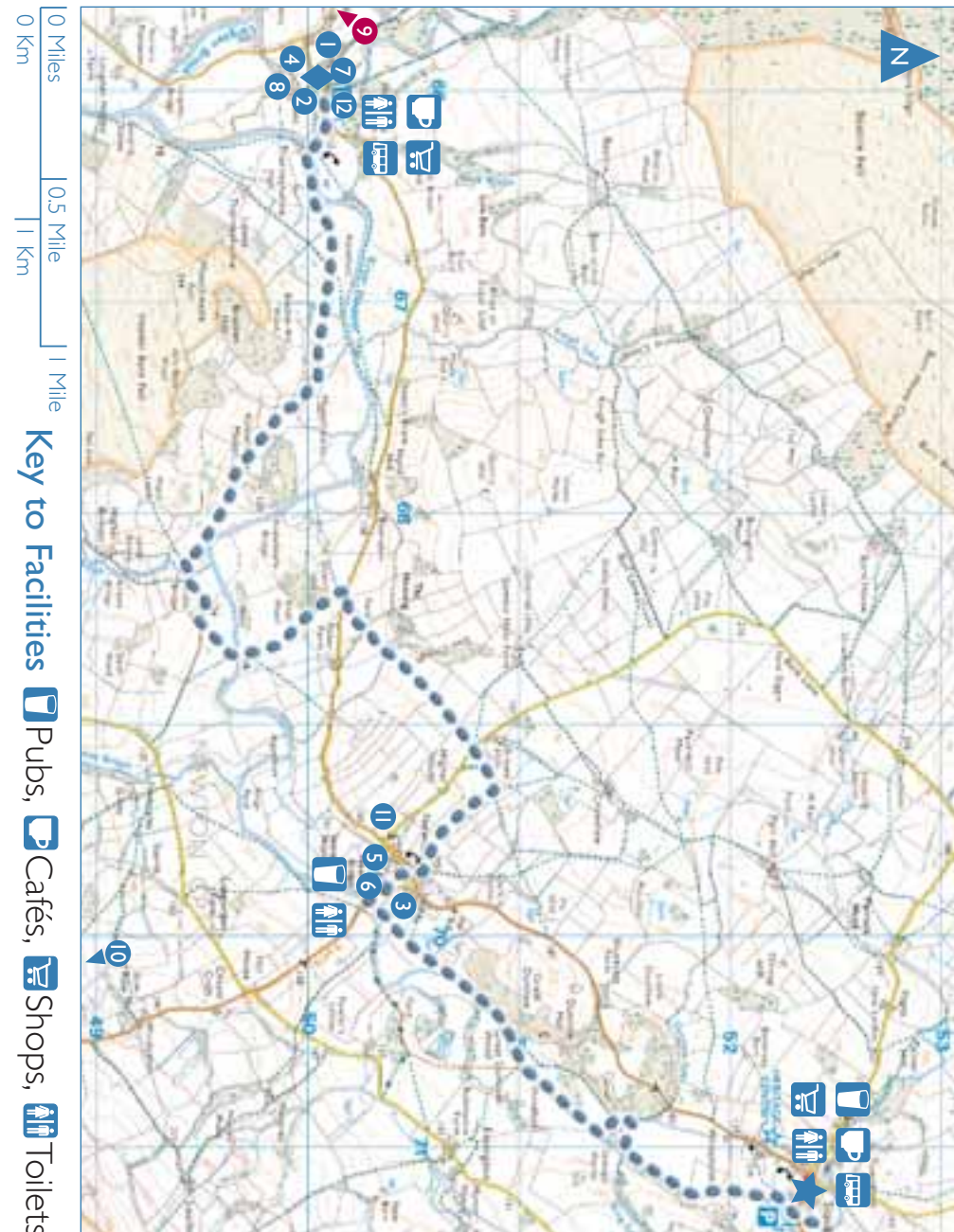




## Walk along the river Hodder

The walk detailed below is best followed using Ordnance Survey Explorer Map OL 41 'Forest of Bowland and Ribblesdale'. The Start Point ★ is in **Slaidburn, (SD 7142 5239)** There is a bus service: **B10 from Clitheroe and Settle**. The End Point ◆ is in **Dunsop Bridge (SD 6601 5014)** The bus service from there is: **B10 to Clitheroe, Slaidburn and Settle** (cut off point at Newton, also served by B10). It is 5.5 miles (9km) and takes approximately 3 hours to complete. The Terrain consists of tracks, fields and roads, gates and some stiles and some short ascents. It can be wet under foot.

A detailed description of this walk and many others can be downloaded from [www.forestofbowland.com](http://www.forestofbowland.com)



### Dunsop Bridge Village Hall teas 1



Trough Road, Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BG  
Tel: 01200 448349

Delightful teas are served on Sundays in the summer and the proceeds support local organisations. Come and relax, have a chat, a cuppa and sample villager's home baking after a walk or a visit to the nearby church. The hall is also available for hire. There's a meeting room, kitchen and main hall.

### Leedham's Garage 2



Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BB  
Tel: 01200 448237

You will need to fill up with fuel sometime on your visit so please support your local garage. We are facing the village green so watch out for ducks! Attended service available at no extra charge. Full range of motoring essentials and snacks and drinks also available.

Open Mon to Fri 9am to 3.20pm and 5pm to 6pm - school hols open right through. Sat and Sun 9am to 5pm.

### Hydes Farm Holiday Cottages 3



Hydes Farm, Newton-in-Bowland, Clitheroe, BB7 3DY  
Tel: 01200 446353

Visit Britain ~~~ Rating

Two recently converted self-catering cottages. Ideally situated for walking, cycling, bird watching and fishing etc. Own off road parking in the centre of one of the prettiest villages in the Hodder valley. All bedding and towels included.

### John Clarke - Artist 4



John Clarke - animal portrait and wildlife artist  
Root House, Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BB  
Tel: 01200 448214

Web: [www.johnclarkefinearts.co.uk](http://www.johnclarkefinearts.co.uk)

John Clarke, a gamekeeper turned artist, undertakes equine and dog portrait commissions in addition to producing his detailed wildlife studies. John has a selection of signed limited edition prints for sale with a bespoke picture framing service on offer.

Visitors always welcome but please phone first.

### Newton Village Hall auctions 5



Newton Village Hall auctions  
Newton-in-Bowland, Clitheroe, BB7 3DZ  
Tel: 01772 784177 or 01200 446095

There are regular auctions of antiques, furniture and rural by-gones held in the village hall. The tea and cakes made and sold by the locals make it worth coming to the sale even if you're only looking!

Thursday is sale day but phone to check, as they are every few weeks.

### Parkers Arms 6



Newton-in-Bowland, Clitheroe, BB7 3DY  
Tel: 01200 446236  
Web: [www.parkersarms.co.uk](http://www.parkersarms.co.uk)

A new venture by the award winning Weezos team. Indulge in the very best of modern British cooking using the finest local produce in one of the most truly majestic settings, with stupendous Hodder river and valley views from our extensive beer garden in the summer; and roaring log fires in the winter.

### Puddleducks 7



Puddleducks cafe, village store and post office  
Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BB  
Tel: 01200 448 241  
Web: [www.puddleduckstearooms.co.uk](http://www.puddleduckstearooms.co.uk)

Everything in the tearooms is homemade using the best local produce where possible - pies, cakes etc. When the tearooms are closed, refreshments are available through the shop. We have interesting gifts and local maps and guides.

Opening hours - shop 8am to 5pm 7 days a week, tearoom 9am to 4.30pm Wed to Sun. Hours are extended in the summer.

### Root House Bed and Breakfast 8



Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BB  
Tel: 01200 448214  
Web: [www.roothouse.co.uk](http://www.roothouse.co.uk)  
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Recently renovated traditional Bowland farmhouse where original features have been carefully restored. You will stay in a spacious room with views of the river Hodder across open fields with a backdrop of heather topped Bowland hills. The large en-suite bathroom features both a full sized bath and separate shower.

### St Hubert's Church 9



Trough Road, Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BG  
Tel: 01200 448231

Our church is small but magnificent with a medieval font from nearby Burholme. Stained glass windows made by Capronnier of Brussels show St Hubert as a huntsman accompanied by a stag. A painting of Derby winner Kettle drum can be found on the richly decorated apse. For this and other stories, please visit us!

### Stonefold Holiday Cottage 10



Slaidburn Road, Newton-in-Bowland, Clitheroe, BB7 3DL  
Tel: 07966 582834  
Web: [www.stonefoldholidaycottage.co.uk](http://www.stonefoldholidaycottage.co.uk)

Visit Britain ~~~~ Rating

Set in open moorland with spectacular views of the Hodder Valley and ideal for walking, bird watching and mountain biking. The cottage, which is equipped to a very high standard sleeps 5 - one double, one twin and a single room plus cot. Disabled facilities.

### Wayside self catering 11



Newton in Bowland, Clitheroe, BB7 3DZ  
Tel: 01200 446287  
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A well equipped detached house with superb views. 4 Bedrooms, 2 shower rooms and bathroom on the 1st floor. There is one bedroom and ensuite toilet with disabled facilities and wet room on the ground floor. There is a log-burning stove in the lounge and linen, towels and heating are all inclusive.

### Wood End Farm Bed and Breakfast 12



Dunsop Bridge, Clitheroe, BB7 3BE  
Tel: 01200 448223  
Visit Britain ~~~~ Rating

We have a large, spacious, 17th century house with beautifully appointed rooms on a working farm on the Duchy of Lancaster estate. Guest lounge with colour TV and large garden. Ideal for walkers, cyclists, birdwatchers and users of the North Lancashire Bridleway. Stabling for horses available.