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# FERNHILL FARM

## ECO CONFERENCING

### Conferences and Events at Fernhill Farm

Welcome to our award winning regenerative eco-farm, offering a tranquil location for your event.

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If you are planning a meeting, conference, or other corporate event it can be a challenge to find a venue which meets all your needs, and doesn't feel like being back in the office. At Fernhill Farm we offer a relaxed alternative venue in beautiful surroundings, with plenty of space for thinking outside the box.

Fernhill Farm is situated in the middle of the historic Natural Landscape, a designated Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) on the Mendip Hills in the South West of England. Located just 15 miles from the city of Bristol, 10 miles from Bristol Airport and 20 miles from Bath. Fernhill is easily accessible.

It's an all-grassland farm with orchards, woodlands, hedges, and limestone walls that create a diverse range of field boundaries, making this a safe haven for both livestock and wildlife. Renewable energy installations ensure we can offer a carbon-conscious experience.

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## Conference Facilities Overview:

Large main conference Hall for up to 100 delegates

- Three breakout spaces.
  - Countryside location with access for delegates to farm walks and fresh air
  - Guided farm tours to educate about our regenerative farming practices.
  - A short drive to Bristol Airport and Bristol city centre.
  - Seasonal menus sourced locally and from our farm produce.
  - Environmentally sustainable with eco-features; dedicated to enhancing the environment
  - Bespoke selection of on-site team building and staff well-being activities available on request - farm tours, craft workshops, orienteering, onsite games etc
  - Free wireless internet access in all meeting areas
  - Free car parking for approximately 100 vehicles - no emission taxes
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As a conference or business away day choice, you can help reduce your businesses carbon footprint by choosing Fernhill.

Here is some information on the buildings eco credentials:

- Underfloor heating throughout from homegrown logs and willow used to fuel our 170 kw log boiler.
  - The central heating system is topped up by hot water from the sun by our solar thermal heating system.
  - Rain water is harvested from roofs to flush toilets and supply chlorine-free grey water to the poly tunnel and livestock drinking troughs.
  - All waste water is pumped to the on-site chemical-free water purification system known as the Water Ecological Treatment (WET) system .
  - The WET system grows willow wands for weaving, kindling and firewood and is a British Crayfish Conservation Site
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With a large main conference hall, suited to large meetings and presentations of up to 100 people, the space can also be set up for smaller groupings around tables. There are three additional and adaptable break out spaces. A large dining area, covered outdoor spaces, and hard-track access to outdoor courtyard and fields. We can also offer outside seating arrangements with stunning views of the Mendip countryside. Fernhill Farm is real and rustic whilst offering a unique and secluded venue for day and residential meetings, conferences, team-building activities, training days and corporate events.

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## Hive Hall

Situated inside The Horseshoe Barns, a 17th Century Grade II listed cow shed in a semi-circular design now refurbished into a unique venue for a variety of uses. These Eco Barns are furnished with rustic charm, utilising reclaimed timbers, home-grown wood from the farm and wool insulation. There is a wholesome blend of natural materials to create a homely space for your group to escape the rigours of everyday life.



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## Wren Cottage ( Breakout space 1 )

Wren cottage is so named as it is where the wrens would nest before the barns were brought back from their previous dereliction. Decked out in typical Fernhill Farm style with wool and reclaimed wood furnishings, this is a perfect den for a breakout space for up to 8 people. It can be set with either a formal office table and chairs or informal seating.



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## The Bar ( Break out Space 2 )

A cosy seating area that can be set with table and chairs or left as a sofa area depending on your needs.



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## The Dining Room - Break out Space 3 or Dinning Room.

A Large dining space that can also be designed as a breakout space or medium sized conference room for up to 40 people.



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## Delegate Packages and Rates



### Half day Delegate rate (4 hours) £25 +VAT PER PERSON

- Main meeting room hire
- Free Wi-Fi, projector and screen
- Tea and coffee on arrival
- Mid-morning tea and coffee with regenerative meat treats, Fruit and flapjack.
- Free on-site parking



### Full Day Delegate rate (8 hours) £50 +VAT PER PERSON

- Main meeting room hire
- Free Wi-Fi
- Tea and coffee on arrival
- Mid-morning tea and coffee with regenerative meat treats, Fruit and flapjack.
- Freshly cooked hot or cold buffets.
- Afternoon tea and coffee
- Free onsite parking

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## Audio Visual Equipment

Video Projector 1800 Lumen - £60 for first day  
£40 per day thereafter  
Includes vga, composite, svhs cables, and DVD player,  
with stereo sound output via in-house presentation PA.

Hi-def/power projector prices on request.

Projection Screens- Front projection 7.5ft x 5.7ft - £25 for first day  
£10 per day thereafter  
Front & rear fastfold screen - £50 for first day  
Size as above £20 per day thereafter

AV Engineer- (7hr day rate) - £150

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## Food & Drink

At Fernhill we are an award winning, verified regenerative live stock farm so our meats, personal chef for the day so menus can be tailored to your needs and dietary requirements. Fresh greens and herbs from our polytunnel. Orchard apples

### Example mid morning snacks (choose two/three)

- Fernhill farms saddleback pork and sage sausage rolls
- Apricot, sunflower and choc flapjack
- Thai pork panko crispy bombs with thai dip
- Sage, thyme, white wine Fernhill crispy pork bomb with mustard mayonnaise
- Luxury brownie
- Pecan and white chocolate cookie
- Chocolate nut and shortbread slice

### Example Lunch Menu (choose on) Veggie/vegan and Dietary requirements on request

- Fernhill farm's delicious slow cooked lamb in shawarma spices served with a pitta, tabouleh, Tzatziki, Tomato, cucumber and red onion with sumac and hot sauce
- Fernhill farm's Thai beef stir fry with aubergine, sesame and soy greens, fragrant rice, Thai crackers, Thai vinaigrette
- Fernhill farm's classic angus beef lasagne. With a dressed green leaf, tomato and mozzarella salad, garlic bread and green beans
- Fernhill farm's pork, chorizo smoked paprika, red wine and olive stew with patatas bravas and a red pepper tomato and couscous salad

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## **Activities and Team Building.**

*Great for team building and stress busting!*

*Whether your meeting is a relaxed affair or charged with energy, a team challenge/experience can be useful in many ways. It's a great way to break the ice and help people relax with each other, building bridges, pulling teams together, and generally bringing out the best in people. It can also be a welcome change after a few hours of brainstorming.*

*The following options are available either with our own staff, or with recommended associates who will visit the farm;*

**Sheep Shearing** – *with our own Andy Wear. Try your hand at either traditional or modern methods, under his expert tuition and supervision. Please inquire.*

**Aardvark Endeavours** - *www.aardvarkendeavours.com have Archery and a Zip Wire here onsite, and also offer other activities nearby e.g. caving, canoeing, abseiling. Please see their website for more details and contact them directly with your enquiries.*

**Go Wild with Adrian Boots** – *Adrian's unique activities are inspiring, thought provoking, and motivational - wild food foraging and bush tucker trials, bow and arrow making, archery competitions, bushcraft including fire lighting, shelter building, crafts, whittling, wild food & bush bows.*

*Please contact him directly on 01761 463356.*

**Creative Crafts** – *Wonderful willow weaving using materials grown at Fernhill Farm, and spinning/weaving wool from our own sheep. Learn and experience these wonderful traditional practices with us here. Please inquire.*

**Falconry** – *Sharandys Birds of Prey www.sharandysbirdsofprey.com offer to join you here at Fernhill Farm, so you can experience the thrill and awe of meeting and handling these magnificent birds of prey.*

*Please see their website for details and contact them directly.*

**Farm Tours** - *For an interesting break from your meeting, walk the land and buildings with Andy and learn about the remarkable history of Fernhill Farm, along with a brief outline of future farming practices and our eco-barns/management of resources – the WET system, log boiler, solar thermal etc. Please inquire.*

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## How To Find Us

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<https://www.fernhill-farm.co.uk/conferences>



Fernhill Farm is situated on the mendips, off the B3134 near to the Castle of Comfort pub. Or a short drive up from Compton Martin.

### From Bristol:

Take the A37 south and go through Pensford. At the roundabout, turn right onto the A368 towards Bishops Sutton. Continue past Chew Valley Lake to West Harp tree village. Approx half a mile after West Harptree turn left up Harptree Hill. At the top turn right onto Evergreen lane and then take the first right onto Ewe Lane. The Farm entrance is on the right after a mile.

### From Bath:

Take the A39 through Newton St Loe, taking the second exit (past The Globe pub). Continue straight through Marksbury and continue onto the A368 (the right hand side of the petrol station after the traffic lights). At the roundabout, take the second exit towards Bishop Sutton. After Bishops Sutton continue past Chew Valley Lake to West Harp tree village. Approx half a mile after West Harptree turn left up Harptree Hill. At the top turn right onto Evergreen lane and then take the first right onto Ewe Lane. The Farm entrance is on the right after a mile.

There is ample parking on arrival.

### Taxis:

Arrow Cars from Airport - 01275 475000

Chew Cars - 07831 858765 / 07871 488133

### Mini Buses:

P + R minibuses. Shepton Mallet - 07828984699





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