



River Bourne Community Farm

Hire of the Farm's Facilities

The Straw Bale Room

The **straw bale room** was completed in 2012 with the financial support of Natural England. The straw bale walls are self supporting under a cedar shingle roof and covered in 3 layers of lime render. The building is used for teaching during the day but is **available to hire** at weekends, in the evenings and during school holiday periods.



The straw bale room measures 11.6 x 7.5m and has a capacity of 100 standing. It is a very suitable venue for talks, events, workshops, activities, and meetings having tables, chairs, interactive screen and projector and tea making facilities.

It is also a great space for small events such as christenings and children's parties.



A typical **children's party** at the farm consists of 2 hours hire of the room plus setting up and taking down time, a farm leader to take the party guests around the farm to look at and feed the animals, and a tractor trailer ride (weather permitting).

The Large Barn

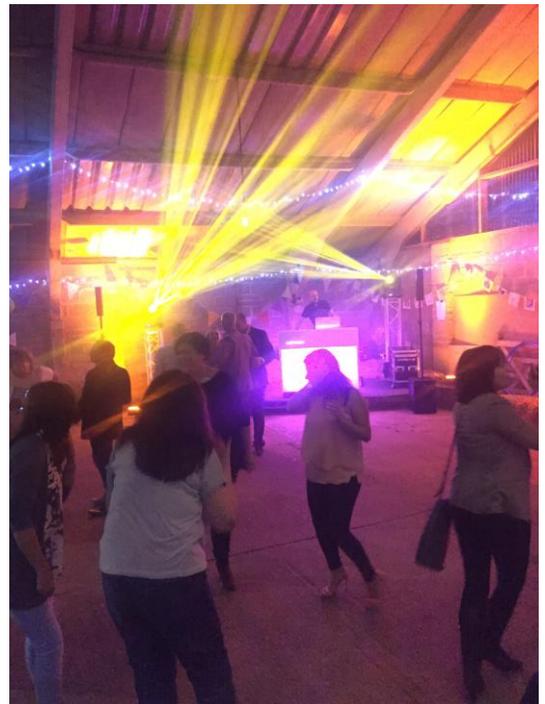
The large barn is a fantastic entertaining space being 225sqm and a having a capacity of 200 standing. With on site toilets, a large car park and outdoor space it is a very popular choice for parties and work outings such as barn dances and also for wedding receptions.



Set up for a barn dance



The barn at night





Weddings at the farm

The farm is the perfect venue for wedding receptions and blessings. Hirings are for three days to allow for setting up and decorating the day before and clearing up the day after. Hire includes use of the large barn and straw bale room, outdoor space to the front and side of the barn and access to the farmyard.



The barn can accommodate up to 120 seated guests. Basic tables and chairs are available or hirers have the option of hiring in tables and chairs. Car parking and toilets are available on site. A paying bar is provided free of charge to the hirer. The farm also offers catering. Tractor trailer rides are available on request.

Hiring of the farm's facilities raises around £10K in profit per annum. This figure is expected to rise in 2019 as the farm invests in improvements and marketing of the venue.