November 2022 CASE STUDY

## Rookhow Quaker Meeting House, Rusland

A CASE STUDY WITH SUE NICHOLLS, ROOKHOW DEVELOPMENT MANAGER.

Rookhow Quaker Meeting House is a Grade 2\* listed building in the Rusland Valley, South Lakes. The building is a place of Quaker Worship and has been for 300 years. They hold Open Days twice a month, on the 1st & 3rd Friday, allowing people to learn about Quakerism, hear about Rookhow's history and enjoy Rookhow's 12 acres of ancient oak woodland.

Sue said: "We were first made aware of Charge My Street through Cumbria Action for Sustainability (CAFS) & Cumbria CVS. We had heard about Charge My Street's work in the local community & were interested in hosting an electric vehicle chargepoint at Rookhow Quaker Meeting House and Bunkbarn"



The installation of the chargepoint was a straightforward, simple & easy process from start to finish. We would recommend a chargepoint to any overnight hospitality venue in the Lake District National Park to take part in the offer.



"We had been aware that visitors and guests were wanting to bring their EVs when staying at Rookhow. We didn't want to restrict those with EV's not coming. As Rookhow is very rural and a long way from the next charger, so we wanted to guarantee our guests a charger throughout their stay."

The chargepoints were part of the first Charge While You Sleep installations and are ready to use by guests.



## STUFF TO DO

The Bunkbarn is a popular and affordable holiday and group venue for up to 16 people.

Rookhow is a member of the Independent Hostels UK, the largest network of hostels and bunkhouses in England, Scotland and Wales.

"IT'LL BE GOOD TO STAY AT ROOKHOW AND KNOW WE CAN CHARGE OUR CAR OVERNIGHT RATHER THAN HAVE TO GO OUT IN THE DAY TO CHARGE IT AND HAVE TO WAIT." (GUEST)

## **COMMUNITY FOCUS**

"Rookhow is hired out to families or large groups for activities and holidays. But most of the time, we are hosting Forest Schools Training courses, local youth groups, yoga retreats and therapeutic groups, benefitting from our 12 acres of woodland. Rookhow's charitable Retreat Away Fund has helped subsidy stays for over 300 individuals with mental health difficulties.





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