

Opening Times 2009

9th April to 19th April

Open National Mills Weekend
9th & 10th May

22nd May to 6th September

Wednesday to Sunday

10.30am to 1pm

2pm - 4.30pm

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School Party Visits

1. Please note that arrangements for school visits should have to be made with prior arrangement with Lytham Heritage Group. The Group will try to accommodate you on the day requested but only if this is convenient for the volunteer guides. The hours for visiting are 10.30am to 1pm or 2pm to 4pm.
2. The volunteer guides, are members of Lytham Heritage group who will welcome you, aim to make each visit interesting, rewarding and suited to the needs of the particular group. To help them achieve these objectives, we request that each leader should identify the needs of their group. We recommend that party organisers discuss the visit with the Heritage Group prior to the visit.

For group visit application forms please contact:

Fylde Borough Council at
listening@fylde.gov.uk or
01253 658658

Contact Details for the Windmill

Lytham Windmill
Visitor & Travel Information Centre
Town Hall
Lytham St. Annes
FY8 1LW

Windmill Phone (Seasonal):

01253 794879

St. Annes Visitor & Travel Information:
01253 658443

Email: touristinformation@fylde.gov.uk

Lytham Windmill

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Museum



Groups and school party visits welcome by prior arrangement. For visitors with special needs it would be advisable to discuss your visit with the Heritage Group as this site may be unsuitable for people with disabilities.

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Lytham Windmill

Windmills have featured in Lytham's history for hundreds of years. In 1805 Richard Cookson sought and obtained a lease from the Squire for a plot of land on which to build a 'windy milne'.

Later, in 1860 when the prestigious houses in the Lytham area were being built the residents looked upon the Windmill as an "industrial nuisance"!

On the 2nd January 1919 a tremendous gale turned the sails despite the powerful brake and sparks ignited the woodwork. The windmill was quickly ravaged by fire with the interior being entirely gutted.

The Windmill remained derelict until 1921 when it was given by the Squire to the Lytham Urban District Council.



In 1989 the Windmill was restored by Fylde Borough Council and opened to the public who can still come and see it today. It is a permanent and iconic symbol on the Lytham landscape overlooking the green and the sea beyond.



Lytham Windmill is run in partnership with Fylde Borough Council and the Lytham Heritage Group.

The Windmill is situated on Lytham Green and is open to the public during the summer season and entry is always free of charge.

Donation boxes are available for anyone wishing to make a donation to the Heritage Group with all funds used to make improvements to the Windmill and support the volunteers that work there.

If you want to volunteer to help out then contact Fylde Borough Council on 01253 658658 in the first instance and they will put in touch with a member of the Heritage Group.

A Tourist Information Point

The Windmill acts as a Tourist Information point during the season and houses exhibitions and displays which are organised by the Lytham Heritage Group, these include explanations of the milling processes and a history of this grade II listed building. The basement has a tableaux of life in Victorian Lytham beautifully recreated. A visit to the Windmill is always an education for everyone.



Heritage Exhibition - Family life in early 1900s



The Clifton Family