



IT'S ALL YOURS: The keys to an eco-friendly village hall partially built of straw have been handed over to the board of trustees. The relatively low key event – a formal opening ceremony will be held later this month – saw representatives of contractors John Youngs meet with the trustees to mark the practical completion of the building at Neatishead. The New Victory Hall is a £510,000

energy efficient building which is the culmination of more than 10 years of fundraising by the local community.

Donations of around half the cost have been secured, including cash from the Big Lottery Fund.

● Doreen Neave is pictured right with the “honesty window” which shows part of the straw bale used in the construction.

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