## **Access Statement For Curlew Cottage**

## **Introduction**

Curlew Cottage is a single storey cottage - all on one level. It is one of two cottages which have been converted from old farm buildings and it is entered through a front door. We have tried to provide as much helpful information as possible in this statement but if you have any further questions please do not hesitate to call us. You will find our contact details at the end of the statement.

## **Pre-Arrival**

- Curlew Cottage is described and illustrated on our Hauxwell Grange Cottages website and in our brochure.
- Bookings can be made via email or the 'phone and will be confirmed in writing.
- The nearest mainline railway station is at Darlington, approximately 20 miles away. There are taxis at the station and the numbers 75 and 76 buses travel regularly from Tubwell Row to Galgate, Barnard Castle.
- We are happy to undertake shopping for food, so that it is ready for you on your arrival.

## **Arrival & Car Parking Facilities**

- On arrival, come directly to the front door of the house, Hauxwell Grange. We will meet you and take you down to the cottage.
- We will guide you to the car park which is 30 meters (33 yards) from Curlew Cottage, along a gently sloping path, which was re-laid with natural stone slabs in 2008.
- The approach to Curlew Cottage from the path is level and 84cms (34ins) wide.
- Help can be provided with carrying luggage to the cottage.

## Main Entrance and inner hall

- The entrance via the front door has a step, 20cms (8ins) high through an inward opening door 84cms (33ins) wide.
- A removable ramp (without a handrail) is available on request.
- The glazed hall measures 152cms (60ins) by 89cms (35ins), with a ceramic-tiled floor.
- The inner hall opens into the open sitting room through an inward opening door which may be 68.5cms (27ins) or 91cms (36ins) wide.

## **Dining Room/Sitting Room/Kitchen**

- The sitting room is open with the dining room and the kitchen and is entered from the inner hall.
- The dining table has semicircular drop leaves and with one leaf raised is 91cms wide (36ins) wide and 81cms (32ins) deep. There is a space of, say, 94cms (37ins) on one side and 58cms (23ins) on the other.
- The table is 74cms (29.25ins) high and the height beneath is 72cms (28.5ins). The support leg swings out and is in the middle of the outer edge.
- The two dining chairs have cushions and the seats are 45cms (17.75ins) high, 48cms (19ins) wide and 40cms (15.75ins) deep.
- A dining chair with arms is available on request.
- There is a leather settee in front of the wood-burning stove and two leather armchairs.
- The seat of the settee is 46cms (18ins) high, 107cms (42ins) wide and 51cms (20ins) deep.
- The seat of each armchair is 46cms (18ins) high, 46cms (18ins) wide and 51cms (20ins) deep.
- The television has Freeview and Teletext and there is a DVD player – all with remote controls. There is a good selection of DVDs.
- A Bellman loop cushion amplifier is available by arrangement for use with the television.
- There is a radio/CD player.

- A folder contains information on the cottage and local attractions.
- In the kitchen the worktop height is 91cms (35.75ins).
- The sink has a mixer tap with lever control.
- The door of the electric oven opens downwards and is below the ceramic electric hobs which are at work surface height.
- The cooker's grill is in the top of the oven.
- The freezer is set below the fridge which is at 95cms (37.5ins).
- The washer/dryer is set beneath the work surface.
- There is a cordless electric kettle.
- The microwave is on the work surface.
- The upper, wall cupboards are at a height of 137cms (54ins).
- The floor is boarded, with a rug in front of the multi-fuel stove.
- Lighting is by wall lights, down-lighting spots and supplementary table lamps and adjustable spots for reading.

## **Bedroom**

- The bedroom is entered through a sliding door which opens to 76cms (30ins).
- There are two "Sealy Sherburn" 3 foot (90 cms) single beds, 66cms (26ins) high, each with one edge against the wall and a space of 86cms (34ins) between them.
- Between the beds there is a chest of three drawers, 65cms (25.5ins) high, upon which is a table lamp.
- The wardrobe has two drawers beneath it.
- The floor is covered in sisal matting, with an optional rug between the beds.

## **Shower-room**

- The shower-room is entered through a sliding door which opens to 76cms (30ins) and has a ceramic tiled floor.
- The "Laufen" washbasin is 84cms (33ins) high and 55cms (21.5ins) wide. The mixer tap is controlled by a single lever.
- The "Matki" curved corner shower has a 23cms (9ins) step up and a sliding door opening to 46cms (18ins). There is a grab handle on the wall. A non-slip mat is provided.
- A seat for the shower is also available on request.
- The toilet seat is 42.5cms (16.75ins) high and a raised seat is available on request. There is a space of 19cms (7.5ins) one side and 30.5cms (12ins) the other.
- There is a shaver point.
- The illuminated mirror is 119cms (46.75ins) above the floor.
- The floor is ceramic tiled.

## **Outdoor Facilities**

- There is a private paved area in front of Curlew Cottage, which has both a bench and a cast-metal table and stools.
- Folding, canvas chairs are also available.
- An easy-to-operate gas barbecue is available for your sole use.
- There is access to the meadow in front of the cottages.
- There is access to the adjacent garden which has a large nature pond and a bench at its side. (For safety reasons the gate is usually kept locked but it can be opened for you at your request – we advise that children should always be accompanied by an adult).

## **Additional Information**

- Good mobile phone reception for most networks.
- Curlew Cottage is no-smoking.
- Dogs and other pets are not welcome.
- No furniture or bedding has any feathers.

## **Shop**

Naturally, there is no shop on site but there is a good selection of shops in Barnard Castle, which is 2 miles away.

# **Leisure Facilities**

There is a Leisure Centre, 2 miles away at Barnard Castle, with swimming pool, gym etc.

## Conference & Meeting Rooms, Banqueting, Clubs, Entertainment

Not relevant

## **Public Areas - General (Internal)**

Not relevant

## **Public Areas - WC**

Not relevant

## **Contact Information**

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