

Access Statement for Hoolet Cottage

Introduction

Hoolet is the right hand cottage of two formed by the conversion of a single storey barn in the grounds of, and some 30 metres from, The Priory. The building is timber clad with a tiled roof and is set at the end of a traditional apple orchard.

Pre-Arrival

- We have a website which describes both cottages briefly and has a good number of photos both of the cottages and the surrounds. The cottages also feature on several other sites, all with links to our own site.
- Enquiries can be made by email, phone, fax or by letter. Bookings are made by completing and returning a booking form, either electronically or by post. Directions and details of useful shops etc are sent out on confirmation of bookings.
- Deliveries prior to arrival can be arranged with the Forest Food, a co-operative gathering together and delivering local food (see www.forest-food.co.uk, or Tesco.
- There is a shop mobility scheme in Gloucester city.

Arrival & Car Parking Facilities

• Access to the cottage is via a farm track which may be bumpy but is firm. Don't leave the track if the ground is wet as the adjacent fields get very soggy. In front of the cottage is a graveled car park with a paved path across a small lawn to the front door. There is a 220mm step into the cottage and we have a removable ramp which can be installed if desired. The car park and garden is lit by a PIR light.

Main Entrance, Reception & Ticketing Area

- Access to the cottage is by a French window and leads into the sitting room.
 - The floors in the living room, bedrooms and kitchen are tiled and at the same level. Next to the door is a large recessed door mat.
 - The door to the left leads to the bedroom with a Zip and Link super king size double bed.

Public Areas - Hall, Stairs, Landing, Corridors etc

- Not applicable

Public Areas - Sitting room, lounges, lobbies etc

- The sitting room is light and airy and has a sofa, flat screen TV, DVD player, a wood burner and a dining table with 2 chairs . If required, a chair with arms can be provided.
- Lighting in the room consists of a central pendant light, 2 wall lights and a small table light.
- In the middle of the room there is a rubber backed anti slip rug of sufficiently contrasting colour to the floor for it to be easily seen.
- The walls are magnolia and the skirting boards, doors architraves etc are all of a contrasting Old Pine colour.

Public WCs

- Not applicable

Restaurant / Dining Room, Bar & Bar area, Take Away & Cafe

- Not applicable

Laundry

- The Laundry room is at the rear of the building and is approached by 2 steps, 200 deep. The floor is painted red and the walls are bare cement. Lighting is from a roof light and at night by a central pendant light.
- Both the washing machine and the condensing tumble drier are front loading and on the floor. Full instructions for all laundry facilities are held in a file on top of the machines.
- There is a pulley airer for drying clothes and an iron and ironing board are stored here.
- The laundry room also houses the heat pump, hot water tank and a notice board on which are displayed

current notices, poster and points of local interest.

Shop

- Not available

Treatment room/s

- Not available

Leisure Facilities

- Not available

Outdoor Facilities

- Access to the apple orchard to the front is via a kissing gate which is approached by 2 stone steps - the gate is not wide enough to accommodate a wheel chair.
- Access to the edge of the river is through The Priory Gardens and, while not on a made up path, is accessible by wheelchair except after very wet conditions. There is a small step in front of The Priory and a ramp is available if needed.

Conference & Meeting Rooms, Banqueting

- Not available

Clubs & Entertainment

- Not available

Bedrooms & Sleeping Areas

- The door from the sitting room is inward opening right hinged and is 740 mm wide. The bed is a zip and link bed giving either 2 standard size single beds or one super-king double bed. There is also a dressing table, a pine chest of drawers and a built-in corner wardrobe. The total usable space between the sides of the bed/s and the side wall and side of the door is 900mm. The clear space at the foot of the bed is 660mm. 2 white rugs are provided with non slip mats beneath, one on each side of the bed in the double bed configuration
- General lighting is by 2 pendant lights, with table lamps on each bedside locker.

Bathroom, Shower-room & WC [Ensuite or Shared]

- The bathroom is accessed by a door 640mm wide opening into the bathroom. On the left is the bath (1510 x 550mm) with a shower over and a 740mm hinged shower screen adjacent. Along the back wall is a basin and in the right hand corner the WC. The shower is controlled by the bath taps, which like those of the basin, are lever taps.
- Lighting is by a central bulkhead light and a strip light over the mirror and shelf opposite the bath.

Self-Catering Kitchen

- The type kitchen area is at the back of the sitting room. A work top with hob and single stainless steel sink and drainer set in extends across the entire back wall. Beneath the work surface are the dishwasher, the fridge, the oven and various storage cupboards. On the wall, 400mm above this work surface are 2 wall cupboards and a cooker hood.
- A micro wave is situated at the far left hand side of the work surface.
- The work surface is 900mm high and 600mm wide. All cupboard doors are outward opening.
- Lighting is by a window and velux window and by 2 pendant lights and a strip light beneath the wall cupboards.
- The walls are magnolia, the work surface is dark grey and the tiles above are white.

Grounds and Gardens

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Additional Information

- The cottage is strictly non smoking. Smoking is permitted outside only.
- Fire and smoke alarms are fitted in the sitting room and battery powered smoke alarm is fitted in the bedroom. Alarms are checked before each visit.
- Most mobile phone networks operate in the building, particularly Vodafone. Others appear to work better from the drive.

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Local carers:

An up to date list can be obtained from the Community and Adult Care Directorate of the County Council – 01452 426868

Local equipment hire companies:

Red Cross House
Units 6 & 7 Wheatstone Court
Waterwells Business Park
Davy Way
Quedgeley
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GL2 2AQ

Telephone 01452 726 660

Local public transport numbers:

Stage Coach. Tel. 01452 418630 (Timetables Tel 0870 6082608)

Local accessible taxi numbers:

Future Plans

- Plan to provide cottage with wifi internet service

Contact Telephone and Email Address

We welcome your feedback to help us continually improve if you have any comments please phone 01594516260 or email rigc@onetel.com