

Access Statement For 3, Sea Breeze Cottages, Brighstone, Isle of Wight

Introduction

Our self catering cottage is one of eight similar, modern (built in 2001) properties. We welcome the opportunity to discuss the facilities with perspective visitors and aim to be able to welcome as wide a diversity of guests as possible. If you have a query which isn't answered here please do contact us.

Pre-Arrival

We have a comprehensive website, showing floor plans and photographs of all the rooms. It is written in large, clear font.

Bookings and enquiries can be made directly via the website by email, or by telephone or letter.

All guests are provided with map directions to the cottage, on request we can also supply written directions in large and/or dyslexia friendly font.

The nearest bus stop is 30m from the cottage (limited service in winter).

The nearest railway station is in Shanklin, approximately 10 miles away.

We can provide a basic pack of shopping on arrival (subject to prior arrangement) or major supermarkets will deliver an internet order.

We can provide information in large print.

The nearest RADAR toilet is in Post Office Lane, Newport, 7 miles away.

This access statement is available on our website and in the Information File in the cottage.

Arrival and Car Parking Facilities

There is a private car park to the side and rear of the properties with ample, unallocated spaces 25m away and an unloading bay 15m from the property.

The car park is flat and gravelled.

The approach to the entrance of the cottage is via a level 1m wide pathway and a ramp (all flat paving slabs).

Main Entrance

The front door leads straight into the open plan lounge diner. Arrangements for access to the keys are made prior to our guests' arrival. The door is 80cm wide, hinged on the right and there is a 4cm threshold. The keyhole lock is 80cm high.

There is a light switch on the inside of the left hand side of the door.

There is a large mat inset into the floor inside the front door. The wood laminate floor is of contrasting colour.

On the dining room table is the Information File for the cottage.

Lounge Diner

This room is open plan with an opening on the right hand side through to the kitchen.

There is wood laminate floor throughout with two wool rugs which can be easily removed if necessary.

All the furniture in this room is fully moveable giving ample free space wherever it is required.

All furniture and cushions are non feather.

The rectangular dining table is 134cm long, 75cm wide and 75cm high. It has legs at each corner and an under table height of 64cm.

There are four dining chairs with no arms and another wicker chair with arms available in the lounge area.

In the lounge area there are also two double sofas, both of which are armed.

There is a television and a DVD/CD/radio, both of which have a remote control.

The ceiling fire alarm is linked to another on the upstairs landing so that both will sound in the event of fire.

Self Catering Kitchen

The door opening through from the lounge diner is 80cm wide, with a fire extinguisher and fire blanket on the right hand side of the door frame.

The height of the worktops and the sink is 92cm with cupboards underneath.

The oven door is drop down and accessible from the right hand side and front. The lowest shelf is 50cm from the floor.

The dishwasher door is drop down and is accessible from both the left hand side and the front.

The solid plate electric hob is 95cm high.

In the fridge freezer the highest fridge shelf is 60cm and the highest freezer shelf is 110cm.

There is at least 120cm of free space between all furniture and worktops.

The flooring is wood laminate.

The kitchen is well lit with spotlights.

Laundry

There is no separate laundry but there is a standard sized front loading washer dryer in the kitchen.

Bathroom and WC

The bathroom is accessed via a door from a separate area off the lounge diner. The door is 78cm wide.

There is a bath with a flexible power shower over. The bath height is 54cm and it has integral grip rails on both sides.

The toilet seat height is 40cm and there is no available space on either side.

The pedestal basin is 85cm high.

Available free space is 120cm by 70cm.

There is a release mechanism on the outside of the door lock.

The flooring is wood laminate.

Upstairs

There is one step up to a landing 80cm by 80cm, then a wide corner stair onto the staircase proper of eleven stairs to a top landing 80cm by 80cm. Each stair is 20cm high.

There is a handrail on the left hand side.

The flooring is short pile wool mix carpet.

The stairs and landings are well lit by spotlights.

Bedroom 1

Accessed from the top landing via a 70cm wide door which is hinged on the left.

This room has a double bed which is 200cm long, 140cm wide and 48cm high.

There are non feather duvets and pillows provided and all sheets, duvet covers and pillows are cotton.

The largest transfer space available on either side of the bed is 60cms, but the bed is movable if more space is required to one side if specified before arrival.

The largest free space available is 140cm by 120cm.

There is a small balcony accessed via a double glazed door 120cm wide with a threshold 15cm high.

The flooring is short pile wool mix carpet.

Lighting is by overhead pendant and bedside reading lamps.

This room has a wicker chair with arms.

Bedroom 2

Accessed from the top landing via a 70cm wide door which is hinged on the right.

This room has two single beds which are 200cm long, 76cm wide and 52cm high.

The widest space next to a bed is 150cm.

The flooring and lighting are as for bedroom 1 and this room also has a chair with arms.

Grounds and Patio

The cottage has its own private walled and gated patio to the front of the property, which has garden furniture and an outside light. The patio has a level, paved surface and some sea views.

To the rear of all the properties is a communal area of flat grass with downland views. It is accessed via the car park.

Additional Information

There is good mobile 'phone reception at the cottage.

The accommodation is non smoking.

Assistance dogs are very welcome – please inform us on booking.

Contact Information

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Local carers: Care Watch 537440, Carefirst 290718, D Care 863288, Wight Homecare 813000

Local equipment hire Companies: Coastal Mobility 533500, Island Mobility 530000, Dorcas Mobility Services 402209, Toogood Mobility 528784

Local public transport: Southern Vectis Buses 523831, Islandline Trains 0845 6050600, Red Funnel Ferries 0844 8449988, Wightlink Ferries 0871 3761000, Hovertravel 811000

Local accessible taxis: Wight Knight Cars 533335

Future Plans

We will be updating our Information File in larger print and a dyslexia friendly format. (Winter 2009/10)

We are hoping to provide all the information available on our website in a "listening book" form to be sent on request. (Winter 2009/10)

We welcome your feedback to help us continuously improve. If you have any comments please contact us via any of the routes above.