

This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our guests/visitors.

Access Statement for Shamrock Cottage, Scarisbrick, Nr. Ormskirk, Lancashire. A self-catering holiday cottage.



Introduction

Shamrock Cottage is ideal for those who want a truly memorable self-catering holiday, a peaceful location, with views across farmland yet only ten minutes from the vibrant shops and entertainment of Southport. We are a detached cottage, set back down a farm track in level farmland surrounding.

Shamrock Cottage sleeps up to 4 people and has 1 bedroom and a sofa bed for alternative sleeping. The cottage is a converted outbuilding used originally for food storage/pig raising and as accommodation for Irish labourers who traditionally came to assist with harvest. It was converted in 2003 and maintains a four star self-catering standard as assessed annually by VisitEngland.com.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01704 880513 or email enquiries@shamrock-cottage.co.uk.

Pre-Arrival

- The nearest bus stop is 1.5 miles from the cottage along a slight incline for approx. half a mile.- ask the driver for the stop at St. Elizabeth's Church. There is a shelter with seating on one side (to Ormskirk, not to Southport). All buses can accommodate one wheelchair. For further timetable details please contact Arrivabus travel line on 0871 200 2233 or go to Arrivabus.co.uk
- Our nearest public transport is the Northern Rail train line from Manchester to Southport with Bescar Lane Train station only half a mile away. The walk to the station is all flat, however approximately one third of it does not have a footpath. For train times please call 0845 000 0125 or go to www.Northernrail.org (timetables are available in the cottage)
- The track leading from the lane to the cottage is uneven and has a slight incline.
- A local company Castletown Homecare supply equipment for hire in Southport , Telephone 01704 532 567
- The nearest Shopmobility is 4 miles away in Tulketh Street Southport, Tel. 01704 546654.
- We can arrange for shopping to be delivered in time for your arrival, please let us know your requirements when booking. Alternatively, you can place an order directly with the local farm shop, which is 1 mile away. Tel. The Farm 01704 894889 or see their website www.thefarmburscough.co.uk
- This Access Statement for Shamrock cottage is available in larger print on request.

Key Collection, Welcome and Car Parking

- The key can be collected from the owner's property, 'The Stables' which is next door to Shamrock Cottage.

- Parking is available for 2/3 cars on the driveway in front of Shamrock Cottage, extra parking or for visitors to you whilst staying in the cottage is available in the yard to the front of the owner's property, ten meters from Shamrock cottage.
- Shamrock cottage driveway is gravelled, the area between the owner's property and the cottage is cobbled and the yard area providing additional parking is rough, uneven surface.
- This area is well lit at night by dusk to dawn sensor lights.

Entrance to Property

- The front door is 940mm/34 ins wide.
- There are 2 steps to the front door.
- The floor covering inside the entrance is the ceramic tiled surface of the kitchen.

Halls, Stairs, Landings, Passageways

- There is no entrance hall, access is straight into the kitchen. Stairs and landings are well lit using ceiling lights, switches are immediately on the right as you step into the kitchen.
- The stairs are 760 mm/30 ins wide.
- The floor covering is short pile carpet.
- The staircase to the first floor has 12 steps. Being a small cottage staircase, it is quite steep there is a handrail on part of one side.

Sitting Room/Lounge



- The sitting room/lounge is situated on the first floor with entry from the staircase mentioned above.
- The door opening to the lounge is 790 mm/31 ins.
- The room has a two, two seater sofas one of which is a sofa bed, together with a low nest of coffee tables and other side tables of varying heights.
- Furniture can be moved.
- There is a widescreen digital television with remote control, subtitles, and a DVD player.
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- Lighting is natural daylight with two ceiling velux windows as well as two standard windows. There are additional table lamps and a movable standard lamp.
- The flooring is short pile fitted carpet.

Kitchen



- The kitchen is situated on the ground floor.
- The door opening to the kitchen from the adjacent bedroom is 690 mm/27 ins wide.
- The door of the oven drops down and the handle is 230mm/9 ins above the floor. The hob is 930mm/36.6ins above the floor.
- Worktop and sink are 950mm/37ins above the floor.
- Fridge freezer available, highest shelf in fridge 400mm/16 ins and lowest drawer in fridge is 22mm/9ins.
- There are both a washing machine and a tumble dryer both of which are front loading.
- The table provided is 720mm/ 28ins from floor to the lowest point of the table surface (under space). There are four upright chairs with no arms or cushions. The table has one central pedestal leg. There is free space around one half of the table.
- Glasses and crockery can be moved from wall cupboards to

lower cupboards, if required, please request this when booking.

- Large cutlery and utensils and cordless kettle rotating 360 degrees.
- The kitchen is evenly lit with halogen spotlights in the centre of the ceiling. There is additional light from the cooker hood, over the hob.
- Flooring is ceramic tiles.
- There is a wall mounted fire blanket, 1540mm/61ins from the floor and a portable fire extinguisher.

Bedrooms and Sleeping Areas



- There is 1 bedroom with a zip link double bed, on the ground floor, with step free level access from the kitchen. There is a narrow amount of space down either side of the bed, 400mm/16ins.
- When used as twin beds, there is 800mm/32ins of space in between.
- A sofa bed for use by a personal assistant/carer or friend/family member is available in the first floor living room.

- The height of all beds from the top of the mattress to the floor is 610mm/24ins.
- Lighting is natural daylight and at night by overhead lighting or bedside lamps.
- The bedroom offers good colour contrast between the floor, walls and doors, short pile carpet and non-feather bedding.

Bathroom

- The door opening to the bathroom on the first floor is 720mm/28ins wide.
- It has the a central light, a lever tap and vinyl flooring.
- There is a large shower cubicle measuring 1150mm/45ins wide and 760mm/30ins deep with a sliding door which opens to a width on 560mm/22ins. There is a step up of 220mm/9ins into the shower tray.
- The sink is 820mm/32ins from the floor.
- There is a freestanding and wall mounted towel rail.

Garden

- We have a paved patio area which can be accessed from the kitchen by one step. A hardwood table & chairs are available on the patio.
- The garden area is 12000mm/39ft and 5700mm/19ft wide with a level lawn continuing from the patio and flower beds.

Additional Information

- Assistance dogs are welcome.

- All areas in the cottage have good colour contrast between the floor, doors and walls. Generally, doors and doorframes are pine wood and walls are light in colour.
- The mobile phone reception can be poor.
- The nearest General Hospital with an A&E unit and walk in NHS is 4 miles away and the nearest Doctor's surgery is 3 miles away. Further information is in the welcome folder.
- There is also a list of nearby attractions and details of their Access Statements for information, where available.

Contact Information

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Hours Of Operation: Open all year round.

Local Carers: Care Staff Solutions 01704 544007

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Local Accessible Taxi: All White Taxis Southport 01704 537777

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