

## **Access Statement for Buttermere Cottage**

We have tried to provide as much information as possible in this statement, but if you have any queries or require this information in a different format please get in touch either by email or telephone.

Crummockwater Cottages are situated in a rural location in Loweswater near Cockermouth. They are converted barns and haylofts around a courtyard.

It would be difficult to reach us without transport. There are no regular local buses and the nearest bus links are Keswick (12 miles) and Cockermouth (7 miles). The nearest train station is Penrith which is 27 miles away. Taxis are available.

### **Arrival & Car Parking Facilities**

- There is a large car parking area in the driveway to Foulsyke: it is gravelled and relatively flat
- Access to the cottage is then through a courtyard and up an incline. This is a gravelled and grassed area. Guests may take their car to the cottage door to unload and load at the beginning and end of their stay but otherwise we request that parking is in the car park: the courtyard is shared by all Foulsyke residents and is maintained as a quiet and tranquil area. However we may relax the vehicle access rule if necessary.

### **The Cottage**

The cottage is all on one level: there are no internal steps or stairs.

- Car access is approximately 2 metres away from the entrance
- The parking area is lit by an outside light with a movement sensor
- The outside light beside the entrance door is switched on from the inside of the house in the porch
- The entrance to the cottage has a small doorstep 4 cm high, 15 cm deep, 83 cm wide. The door is 83 cm wide and hinged to the right. The key hole lock is 94 cm high
- Inside the front door is a porch which can be a sitting area with two chairs and a table. There is adequate space for taking off boots etc. There are hooks behind the door for coats
- The porch opens into the main living area which is an open plan lounge/kitchen and dining area

### **Lounge, Kitchen and Dining Area**

This is a large spacious area suitable for guests using a wheelchair or other mobility aids.

- The door from the porch is half glazed and is 87 cm wide
- The sitting area is carpeted; the kitchen area has a vinyl floor

- Furniture is moveable
- A low square table in the lounge measures 120 cm across and the top is 39 cm from the floor
- There are two sofas sitting height 38 cm which are movable with padded seats and arms
- There is a television and DVD operated by remote. There is a separate radio.

### **Kitchen**

- The worktop height is standard approximately 91 cm
- Grill door is pull down and oven door side opening: the hob above is halogen at standard height
- The sink is standard height with cupboards underneath
- Standard size front loading washing machine and tumble dryer (condenser-type) are provided
- Lighting is spotlight bulbs on ceiling, with under unit lighting
- There is a fridge/ freezer and microwave
- Dining table is round with a diameter of 126 cm, height 77 cm

### **Hall**

- The internal hall is 93 cm x 148 cm and has doors from living area, to the bedroom, bathroom and airing cupboard: all doors are 74 cm wide
- Smoke alarm fitted.

### **Bedroom**

- King size bed provided
- Bed height 69 cm floor to top of mattress
- Non feather duvets and pillows provided
- Largest transfer space available to left of bed is 107cm
- Bed is moveable is more space is required at either side
- Bedside tables are 64 cm high
- There is limited space around the bedroom

### **Bathroom**

The bathroom is large (287 x 213 cm) with plenty of space to move around

- There is corner bath with handrail. Bath height is 56cm. Non slip mat is provided
- Toilet seat height 43 cm
- Space to right of toilet is 36 cm and 25cm to left
- There is a shower cubicle 90 cm x 120 cm. Free standing shower seat is available
- The wash basin is a pedestal basin height 80 cm
- Flooring is tiled with bath mats
- Good colour contrast between floor and walls. Tiles and sanitary ware are white.

## **Grounds and Gardens**

There is a small garden with level grassed area and stone flagged patio, with picnic bench just outside cottage.

## **Additional Information**

- Heating is by storage heaters throughout. There is an electric 'look alike' fire in the lounge,
- There is a pay phone in the cottage: mobile phone reception is very limited in the area
- The cottage is no smoking throughout.
- Well behaved pets and service dogs are welcome: please inform us when booking.

## **Contact Information**

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