

Coble Cottage Access Statement and Facilities

Pre-Arrival. Coble Cottage is a two storey, three bedroomed self-catering, terraced cottage. The first floor is accessed by a flight of stairs. The front door has a six inch threshold and there are three steps with a handrail outside the back door.

We can be contacted by telephone on 01670 817029 or by email at stay@coblecottage.com. We are happy to post a large print version of our Access Statement to you.

There is a regular bus service available to Newcastle, Morpeth and other local towns. The main bus stop in Newbiggin is about 100 metres from the cottage. Rail connections are available at both Morpeth and Newcastle. Local shopping is available in Newbiggin, the nearest small supermarket being about 200 metres from the cottage. Newcastle city centre can be reached in 35 minutes by car and 1 hour 15 minutes by bus.

Arrival & Car Parking. Free, on road parking is available three metres from the front door of the cottage. The road and footpath are tarmaced and well lit. There is no dropped kerb. You will be met by the owner on arrival and introduced to the facilities in the cottage.

Public Areas. The property does not have a lift. The ground floor consists of an entrance lobby, lounge, dining area and kitchen.

The first floor has three bedrooms and a bathroom. The kitchen has a laminate floor, the bathroom floor is tiled and the remaining rooms are carpeted. There is no telephone in the property. The property is well lit throughout with central lighting in all rooms. The lounge area has additional wall lights and a standard light and there are bedside lights in each bedroom. Doorways have a colour contrast.

Guest Bedrooms. All three bedrooms are on the first floor which is accessed by a flight of stairs with 15 steps each 7 inches high. There is a handrail. There are two hard wired smoke alarms, one on the ground floor and one on the first floor. All bedrooms have a main central light and a bedside light, with touch lights in the main bedroom. The main bedroom has a kingsize bed and the other two bedrooms each have one single bed. Bedroom doors are colour contrasted with surrounds. Duvets are anti-allergy.

Bathroom. The cottage has one bathroom the dimensions of which are 7ft x 11ft 4". The bathroom is fully tiled with blue tiles and a white suite. It has a corner bath, a separate shower, a washbasin and a low level WC. All taps are of the twist/turn type. The bath height is 1ft 10" and the shower is on a platform 3.5" high. There is a heated towel rail. The shower has a thermostatic control and water temperature to bath and washbasin taps is controlled by the boiler thermostat located in the kitchen. The door is standard width and colour contrasted with the tiles.

Kitchen. The kitchen is on the ground floor of the property and measures 7ft 6" x 17ft 6". Taps are of a twist/turn type. Work surfaces are 3ft high. There is an electric oven with a gas hob. A microwave is located on the work surface. Crockery is stored in cupboards above the work surface. Cutlery and cookware is stored in cupboards and drawers below the work surface. The kitchen is rectangular with kitchen equipment and storage along one long and one short wall. The other long side is open to the dining room. There is one central light fitting with directional spotlights. There is additional under cupboard task lighting. Work surfaces are black and cupboards are light beech. The fridge freezer is located on the long wall next to work surfaces and cupboards. A washing machine and tumble dryer are located under the work surfaces and a dishwasher is adjacent to the sink. Work surfaces are black and kitchen units are beech. There is good colour contrast of

critical surfaces. A cordless kettle is provided.

General. Televisions in both the dining area and lounge have remote controls. The cottage is centrally heated with thermostatically controlled radiators. Once over the threshold in the property there are no further steps on the ground floor and there is ample space for movement. The lounge has a three seater leather sofa and two leather reclining chairs. The dining area has a standard height table with six chairs, all without arms. All items are moveable.

The bathroom and bedrooms are accessed by a standard staircase with handrail. There are 15 steps each 7" high. Coble Cottage is a non smoking property and is not suitable for pets.

Our welcome basket contains tea, coffee, milk, sugar, bread, butter and a cake or biscuits. There is no local shop mobility scheme. There is an equipment hire service at 47 Sycamore Street, Ashington (telephone 01670 815983). Radar toilet keys are available from local information points and the nearest public toilet is located on Newbiggin promenade. Two firms provide accessible taxis - A1 Shadow (01670 857775) and 24/7 Flanagan (01670 822245).

Outside. There is a small enclosed garden area at the rear of the property. This is accessed from the back door. There are three steps with a handrail. The area has a concrete surface which slopes slightly. The back gate has one step down onto the public footpath.

Additional Information. Ground floor evacuation is via the front or back door. First floor evacuation is through an opening window in the rear bedroom which leads onto a single storey flat roof. Coble Cottage operates a no smoking policy. There is good mobile network coverage. The owners' landline and mobile telephone contact numbers are available for both routine and emergency calls.

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