

### **Accessibility Guide for The Laughing Seagull**

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#### Welcome

At The Laughing Seagull we want to make your stay as enjoyable as possible. We are committed to providing an accurate description of our facilities, giving you the confidence to book the cottage if you consider it suitable for your individual needs.

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• The TVs (bedroom and living room) have subtitles.

# **Visual**

The walls and the doors have high colour contrast.

### **Getting here**

11 Broad Road Seahouses NE68 7UP

# Travel by public transport

- You can get to The Laughing Seagull by bus and train.
- The nearest bus stop is in North Sunderland Broad Road. The bus stop is 187 feet / 57 meters from The Laughing Seagull.
- The nearest train station is Alnmouth. The train station is 15.1 miles / 24.3 km from The Laughing Seagull.

# Travel by taxi

- You can get a taxi with Park's Taxi Hire by calling 07739 802250. The taxi company has a wheelchair accessible vehicle.
- You can get a taxi with Knights Taxi Alnmouth 01665 714555 (useful for journeys from Alnmouth Station). The taxi company has a wheelchair accessible vehicle.

# Parking

- We have a gravel parking area to the front of the property. Parking is free.
- There is ample room in the parking area for unloading and manoeuvring.
- From the parking area there is a gateway which is 1040mm wide



Parking space to the front of the property

### **Arrival**

# Path to main entrance

- The path is 1180mm wide.
- The path is 6 meters from the gate to the front door.
- The path has a very gentle slope to the front entrance to alleviate the need for a step.

# **Main entrance**

- The front doorstep has a threshold of 70mm high.
- The door is 230mm wide.
- The main door is right hand side hung and manual.
- There is a step down of 80mm into the entrance hall with vinyl flooring.



Path to front door

# **Getting around inside**

#### **Visual Impairment - General Information**

• We have high colour contrast between walls and doors.



Colour contrasting door.

#### **Access to upstairs**

- There is a staircase straight ahead from the front entrance to access to the upstairs of the property.
- The width of the stairs is 790mm with a handrail on the left-hand side.
- There are 11 steps with an individual lift of 200mm and a depth of 230mm.
- There is then a left turn on the stairs with 2 further steps with a lift of 180mm and a depth of 230mm. The width of this section is 920mm. There is no handrail for this small section.
- The stairs are carpeted.



Photo of staircase



#### **Bedrooms**

- Both bedrooms have windows.
- Bedrooms have ceiling lights, bedside lamps and natural daylight.
- We can remove bedside tables and chairs to improve accessibility.
- The bedrooms are both upstairs and both carpeted.

#### **△** Master Bedroom

- The bedroom door is 740mm wide. There is 1500mm to the right-hand side of the bed and 510mm to the left-hand side.
- The king size bedframe is wooden. The bed is 550mm high to the top of the mattress. There is 260mm under the bed.
- The clothes rail is in a built-in wardrobe and is 1780mm high.
- There is ample additional storage on shelving in a built-in wardrobe and in a chest of drawers (max 790 mm high) and bedside table (max 600mm high).
- The TV in the master bedroom has subtitles and a remote control.
- There is a chair available for sitting.





# Twin Bedroom

- The bedroom door is 740mm wide.
- The two single wooden beds are against the two walls of the bedroom with a space of 900mm between them. The beds are both 490mm high to the top of the mattress. There is 220mm under each bed.
- The wardrobe contains a clothes rail at 1510mm high and a chest of drawers at a max height of 560mm.
- There are two bedside tables at a height of 620mm each.
- There is a chair available for sitting.



Photo of twin bedroom



- The Shower room door is 640mm wide and has vinyl flooring.
- There is a level access walk in shower (small lip of 25mm) The side entrance into the shower is 610mm wide to the end of the shower tray.
- The wall mounted shower controls are at a height of 1180mm. The shower head can be lowered to 1550mm from the floor if required.
- The direction of transfer onto the toilet is to the front and right-hand side only. There is 1500mm in front of the toilet, to the door and 680mm to the side. The toilet seat is 430mm high.
- The basin is 865mm high. The taps are lever operated. There is no space under the basin due to a bathroom cabinet.
- A non-slip mat is available.





Photos of shower room and shower cubicle

# Kitchen

- We have an open plan kitchen and lounge area.
- From the main entrance to the kitchen, there is level access. The door is 780mm wide.
- A work surface (breakfast bar) is available with clear under space and available at a height of 920mm.
- The hob and sink are both at a height of 920mm but with no clear under space.
- The oven is at a low level between 300mm and 755mm.
- The table and plates have high colour contrast.
- The crockery, cutlery, utensils, glassware, pans, and ovenware are all kept in base level kitchen drawer or units or worktop.
- The microwave, kettle, toaster, and coffee machine are all kept on a worktop at a height of 920mm.
- The washing machine and dishwasher are both situated at a base level height within the kitchen area.
- Breakfast stools are provided for use at the breakfast bar at a height of 710mm.
- The kitchen area has vinyl flooring.





Kitchen

#### **Lounge**

- The lounge area is open plan with the kitchen.
- There is one sofa, seat 430mm from floor and an armchair, seat 385mm from floor.
- The TV in the lounge has subtitles and a remote control.
- Music/radio can be listened to via the TV or a portable Bluetooth speaker.
- The lounge area is carpeted.
- The lounge has rear patio doors with an opening of 760mm and a step height of 80mm leading to a conservatory.



Lounge

### Conservatory

- The conservatory is used as a dining area and for additional seating.
- The dining table is extendable and at a height of 770mm.
- The dining wooden bench with a seat height of 480mm at the front of the table and a monk's bench with a seat height of 510mm to the top of cushion at the rear of the dining table. Additional occasional folding chairs with back support are also available at a seat height of 450mm.
- A rocking chair is also available in the conservatory with a seat height of 440mm.
- Doors leading into the rear garden from the conservatory are 750mm wide and have an initial step up of 70mm over the threshold before a step down outside of 180mm.



# **Getting around outside**

#### Front garden

- The front garden is level and flagged with a garden bench with a seat height of 480mm.
- The garden is enclosed with a wall and fencing.



Front garden photo

#### Rear Garden

- From the step down from the Conservatory door there is a level area of decking (no seating) before 2 decked steps leading into a graveled rear garden. The steps have a max drop of 200mm.
- The decked area is 1970mm wide and steps are 1270mm wide.
- The garden is then level to the garden table and chairs.
- The table is 710mm high with clear under space 680mm from floor to table edge.
- The chairs have a seat height of 430mm and width of 470mm.
- The rear gate leading to a pathway is 890mm wide.
- The rear garden is fully enclosed with fencing.





Back garden

# **Additional Information**

- You can hire mobility equipment from Northeast Mobility Solutions, 11 Walkergate Berwick-Upon-Tweed, TD15 1DB Tel no: 01289 331 055.
  - Email customercare@nemobility.co.uk
- Guest information files in cottage give details of local services and emergency contacts.
- Mobile phone reception is variable depending on your network.
- This is a non-smoking property

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