

## National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide



### St Oswald's Cottage

Address: St Cuthbert's Square, Holy Island, Berwick Upon Tweed, Northumberland, TD15 2SP

Ref: 017010

### Introduction

St Oswald's Cottage is a spacious single storey cottage on Holy Island, with views to Lindisfarne Castle. It was designed by Sir Edwin Lutyens and is L-shaped with the key reception rooms facing onto the garden looking towards the castle.

The cottage is single storey consisting of both front door (level access) rear door (one step) access from the garden, kitchen/dining area, sitting room, two bathrooms, two double bedrooms (one which converts into twin beds as required) and one single bedroom with level access throughout.

The driveway is adequate for two cars.

Heating is provided by electric panel heaters and a multi-fuel stove in the sitting room.

### Pre-Arrival

- Please view our website for location details.
- Directions are provided with the booking.
- Please bring a torch if you are arriving in the dark as there are no streetlights here.

## **Approach**

The cottage is the last house on the right-hand side of the road heading towards the Lindisfarne Castle.

## **Arrival & Parking Facilities**

The gravel driveway for parking is located to the right of the cottage. There is adequate parking for two cars. The approach to the rear door (and key box) is along an 850mm brick path via the main garden. There is a step here to get into the kitchen. The step-free entrance to the cottage is via the garden gate at the front and through the front door. The key box is to the left of the back door.

## **Getting in (and out) of the cottage**

Rear Entrance:

- There is a 230mm high step into the back door.
- The door is 950mm wide.
- The door opens straight into the kitchen/dining room.

Front Entrance:

- The front door is approached from the front gate and has level access.
- The front gate is 1070mm wide, the path is 850mm wide and the front door is 870mm wide with a 30mm metal rain bar at the threshold.

## **Getting around the cottage**

The cottage is on one level (bungalow). The width of the doorways ranges from 690mm to 950mm. All the bedroom doors and doors to sitting room and kitchen are 820-840mm wide except for the door to the single bedroom which is 690mm wide. The corridors are 840 - 1000mm wide. There are fitted carpets throughout and vinyl flooring in the bathrooms and kitchen.

## Ground Floor

### Sitting Room



- East facing and located between the kitchen and corridor.
- 820mm wide doors at both ends.
- Large room with multi-fuel stove and views over garden and out towards Lindisfarne Castle.
- x 2 two-seater sofas with seat heights of 280mm
- Ceiling light, x 2 standard lamps and reading lamp.

### Diner/kitchen



- East facing and located just within the back door adjacent to the Sitting Room.

- The kitchen equipment includes a washer/dryer, dishwasher, fridge/freezer, microwave, and electric cooker.
- The worktop height is 930mm.
- The sink has cross top taps.
- There is 1250mm turning space between the units and the dining table.
- The wooden table is 785mm high with 780mm knee clearance underneath.
- The three dining chairs are foam and fabric, with backrest and have a seat height of 460mm.
- The dining bench is made of wood and is 450mm high and 410mm wide.
- The room has spotlights and lights under the wall units.
- The door into the sitting room from here is 820mm wide.

## Bedrooms

### Green Bedroom – Single



- Door to bedroom is 690mm wide.
- Metal framed bed 1900mm long x 1000mm wide x 670mm high
- 380mm clearance under bed.
- Bedside light, ceiling light and freestanding wardrobe.

## Garden Bedroom – Super King



- Door is 840mm wide.
- Double divan bed 2000mm wide x 1800mm long x 600mm high. The bed is zip-linked and can be made into a twin if required.
- 50mm clearance under bed.
- Ceiling light and reading lamps either side of the bed.
- Free-standing wardrobe, chest of drawers and locked linen trunk.
- View over garden and over towards the castle.

## Gable Bedroom – Double



- Spacious room (2700mm x 2760mm) with 830mm wide door.
- Metal framed bed is 2000mm long x 1800mm wide x 600mm high.
- 300mm clearance under bed.
- Ceiling light, 2x bedside lights, side lamp.
- Dressing table, wardrobe, large chest of drawers and bedside tables.



## Bathrooms

### Shower Room



- Bathroom door is 690mm wide
- Bathroom comprises lavatory, basin, and open-ended shower enclosure with electric shower
- The WC is 435mm high
- The basin is 800mm high
- The shower enclosure is 1200mm long x 650mm wide
- The shower tray is 30mm high

### Bathroom with roll-top bath



- Spacious room (2700mm x 2760mm) with 690mm wide door and slight lip at threshold.
- Bathroom comprises lavatory, basin and bath with shower attachment on taps.
- The WC is 435mm high.
- The basin is 790mm high.
- The bath is 650mm high x 1650mm long x 750mm wide.

## Laundry Room

There is no Laundry Room at this property.

## Garden



- Large garden at rear mainly laid with grass with shrubs and plants round the edges.
- Views towards to Lindisfarne Castle
- Garden table with 6 chairs. Table is 740mm high with 735mm knee clearance underneath. Chairs are 470mm high.
- Caretaker Shed.

## Front Garden – west facing

- Front garden is laid with lawn.
- Entry is via a gate.
- 800mm brick path to the front door.

## Additional Information

- Dogs are welcome at this cottage.
- In the event of a fire, it is the responsibility of the guests to evacuate themselves. Vibrating fire/smoke detectors are available if requested at time of booking. Please contact us if you have any other specific access requirements in this respect.
- We change appliances and furniture when required, the information may show a previous presentation

## Facilities at all cottages

The National Trust aims to expand the list of accessible /equipment/items available at each cottage and these may include

- Cordless kettle
- Hollowfibre bedding
- Chair with armrests

- Good reading light
- Large handle vegetable peeler
- Easy tin opener
- Non-slip mat for bath/shower
- Non-slip place mat
- Easy jar opener
- Information in alternative formats (on request)

Please note that we cannot guarantee that all items will be available at the time of your visit.

Please enquire at the time of booking regarding any particular requests.

## **Specialist equipment**

Other specialist equipment such as wheelchairs, bath seats, toilet frames etc may be available for loan or purchase from the local Red Cross loan centre. Please check this out before booking the Cottage and contact us if you require further information. <http://www.redcross.org.uk/standard.asp?id=89425>

## **Future Plans to improve Access to National Trust Holiday Accommodation**

We are currently in the process of writing accessibility guides for all our holiday cottages and bunkhouses and improving access over time for all our guests. All feedback is very helpful in informing us of ways in which we can improve access. We welcome any comments or ideas from you about access at this cottage and thank you for taking the time to do this. Please do this in the most convenient way for you. See contact details below or information on website.

## **About the Accessibility Guide**

This Accessibility Guide is intended to provide key information about the accommodation that may be particularly relevant to guests with disabilities. Please contact us prior to booking if you would like information that is more specific and we will be happy to oblige.

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