

Owletts Access Statement

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Introduction

1. This Charles II house is an extraordinary example of a Kent country home. As you wander round the house you will see the architectural influences of its most famous owner, architect Sir Herbert Baker. The show rooms are on two floors, ground and first floor, via a staircase. There is also a garden which is accessible via a mixture of paved, grass and gravel paths.
2. Mobile phone reception is limited across the site. In an emergency, please make contact on the phone number above as soon as you are able.
3. Dogs on short leads are welcome in the gardens. Assistance dogs are also welcome in the house.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

4. The property is sign posted from the main approach road – The Street, Cobham.
5. Free parking is available on site - there is a small car park on a grass surface which is 150 metres from the house.
6. There is no transfer vehicle but there is a drop-off point immediately outside the house for those with walking difficulties. Please note there are two steps up to the front door – no handrail.
7. Wheelchair access is around the back of the house - please ask at the main entrance.

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8. A toilet is available at the property in an outbuilding. It is not adapted and is accessed via two steps.
9. A more accessible toilet is available in the house, upon request at the tenants' discretion.



Above: Non-accessible toilet



Right: Entrance to the house

House

10. The house is 150metres from the car park.
11. The paths to the house are a mix of gravel, stone and grass.
12. The house is accessed via two steps to the entrance - the steps are 30cm in height.
13. The entrance door is manual and 120cm wide.
14. Wheelchair access is via an alternative door which is 120cm wide – please ask at the main entrance.
15. There is no room for powered wheelchairs or powered mobility vehicles inside the house.
16. The ground floor is on one level.
17. Access to the first floor is via a staircase with bannisters - there is no lift.
18. Due to the age of the house, there is a low doorway into the Library which is 182cm high.
19. There are seats for visitors to use around the house.
20. There are normally volunteers in each room.

Catering

21. Limited self-service catering is provided by the tenants in an outbuilding next to the house, accessed via the gardens – seating is available outside.
22. There are limited facilities for those with special needs or disabilities.

Garden

- 23. Paths are gravel, cobbles, paving and grass and there is a small gradient to some of the paths.
- 24. There are some steps – these do not have handrails.
- 25. There are seats in the garden.
- 26. There is an unfenced pond in the garden.



Above: there is a mixture of gravel paths and steps in the garden

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