

National Trust Bunkhouse Accessibility Guide

**Exmoor Bunkhouse
Countisbury Hill
Lynmouth
Devon**

South West Region

Cottage Ref: GSW004



Introduction

- Just inland from the dramatic coast around Foreland Point and set back 15m from the main coastal road, Exmoor Bunkhouse is a detached, traditional stone and slate-built property
- It is heated by a central heating system' LPG boiler and a solar thermal array
- There is a small grassed area to the side and rear the property

The accommodation comprises the following:

Ground Floor

- The front door opens into a passage way (width 700mm). From the passage way there is a kitchen, communal living area with stairs to first floor, separate toilet and shower facilities

First floor

- Three bunk rooms, one room with 2 bunk beds and 2 rooms with 8 bunk beds, a combined shower and toilet facility

Pre-Arrival

- See the main webpage for booking and location details.
- Please contact us prior to booking if you have any specific access requirements
- Directions provided with booking

Approach

From the main coastal road which is steep and winding; off the coastal road, the property can be found behind a stone wall with a small metal access gate

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- There is parking on the opposite side of the main coastal road; area shared with local residents
- Care must be taken when walking from the car park and crossing the main road for both traffic and the kerb stones on each side
- The access gate is opened by a spring-loaded sliding bolt
- The key safe is to the left of the metal entrance gate fixed to the stone wall. It is operated by a combination lock mechanism. A torch is recommended, especially if arriving in the dark, as the numbers on the lock can be difficult to see
- There is a PIR sensor above the front door



Entrance route



Steps to front door



Ramp way route

Getting in (and out) of the bunkhouse

- There are 2 stone steps and a small 40mm threshold to enter the bunkhouse
- The light switch is on the right hand (as entering) side on the wall
- Alternative rampway to fire exit door to communal living room



Main passage way



Alternative exit and main passage way

Getting around the bunkhouse

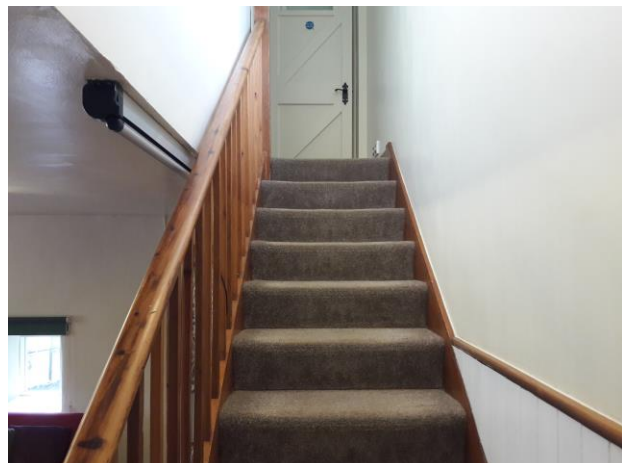
- Level access throughout the ground floor
- Floor coverings are a mix of wood, vinyl and some carpets upstairs
- Stairs are carpeted and there is a handrail to the left-hand side

Ground floor:

- Connecting passageway (width 700mm), kitchen, communal living room, toilets, showers

First floor

- Stairs with 14 steps, each 180mm, with wooden handrail on left hand side leading to landing corridor



Kitchen:

- Height of worktops is 900mm.
- Metal sink with twist taps
- Two slot-in electric cookers each with oven, grill and hob and 4 heat spots
- Strip lighting
- Under counter fridges and separate freezer



Communal Living Room

- Two wooden tables. One with benches and one with a mix of chairs and fixed seating
- Large table is 10' x 3.3'; small table is 7.6' long by 2'.6"
- Two-seater sofa with cushions
- 6 x spot lights above large table
- Emergency exit route with an external ramp to main road



View towards fire exit



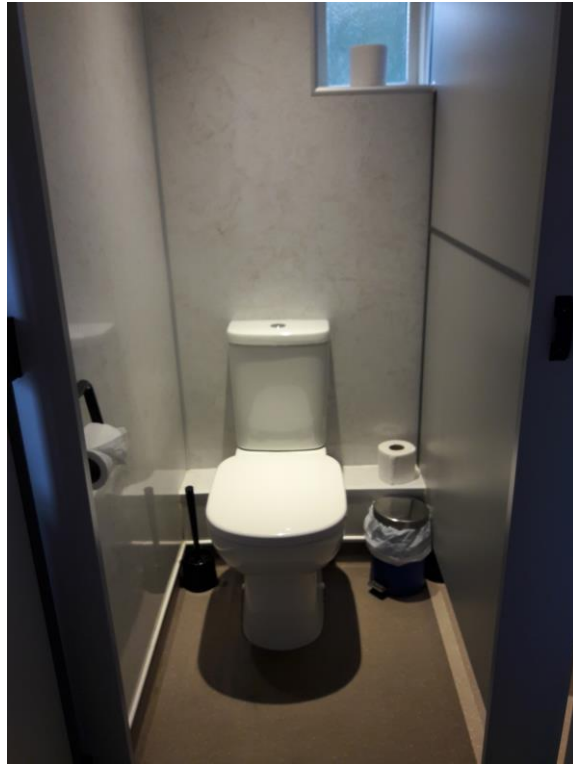
Towards kitchen and main exit

Ground floor toilet and showers

- Two toilets, seat height is 420mm
- Two level access, adjustable height showers with lever controls
- Wash area with three hand basins, 2 with twist taps



Level access shower



Upstairs

Bunk Room 1

- Two bunk beds
- Height lower bunk is 640mm; upper bunk is 1430mm. A fixed ladder
- Ceiling light
- Carpeted floor



Bunk Room 2

- Four pairs of bunk beds. Lower 600mm; upper 1460mm. Fixed ladder
- Fire exit with 4 external steps
- Ceiling light
- Wood floor



Bunk Room 3

- Four pairs of bunk beds. Lower 640mm; upper 1130mm. Fixed ladder
- Fire exit with 6 external steps
- Ceiling light
- Wood floor



Toilets and Showers:

- Two low threshold (230mm) step-in showers
- Two toilets – set height 410mm
- Two hand basins with twist taps
- Spot lighting
- Vinyl floor





Garden:

- Grassed area to side and rear of the bunkhouse
- BBQ near access gate
- Some outdoor seating



Additional Information

- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our properties
- 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
- Mobile telephone signal is very unreliable at Countisbury Hill and depends on your network.

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 Bunkhouse and contact us if you require further information.

<http://www.redcross.org.uk/standard.asp?id=89425>

Future Plans to improve Access to NT Holiday Properties

- We are currently in the process of writing accessibility guides for all our holiday properties 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 to all our properties. We welcome any comments or ideas from you about access at this property 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 bunkhouse 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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