

National Trust Cottages Accessibility Guide

Park Cottage
Cragside
Rothbury
Morpeth
Ref: 017006



Introduction

- Park Cottage is a three bedroom cottage on two floors, including one ground floor double bedroom and bathroom with bath, shower and WC
- Located in the formal gardens of Cragside with separate private entrance
- Change of level within ground floor – one step down into sitting room and one step down in the hall to the foot of the stairs and the dining room
- Park Cottage adjoins Garden Cottage and shares the parking area, garden & laundry room

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
- Bring torch if arriving in the dark, as there are no street lights



Approach

- The cottage is located in the southerly part of the Cragside Estate and is just off the road which runs past the entrance to Cragside.

Arrival & Parking Facilities

- High wooden gates at entrance to cottage with metal-hinged opener at top
- Parking outside the cottage on a level deep gravel surface



Getting in (and out) of the cottage

- One stone step from gravel to front door 103mm
- One stone step into porch 107mm
- Clear open width of door is 700mm
- One step up from porch into house 160mm
- Clear open width of door is 840mm
- 90-degree turn immediately inside front door to bedroom (to left) and entrance parlour (to right)



Getting around the cottage

- Ground floor is level within front door to double bedroom, bathroom entrance hall and kitchen. One 1500mm step down into sitting room and one 140mm step down to foot of stairs and to dining room
- Flooring is mixture of fitted carpets, parquet floor with rugs and vinyl in the kitchen and bathroom areas
- Circulation space around the ground floor is good

- Circulation space around the first floor is reasonable
- 17 stairs to first floor with banister rail to left side (ascending)

Entrance Parlour

- To right as entering front door (ground floor bedroom and bathroom is to left)
- Door width into parlour 700mm
- Double sofa seat height 440mm
- 2 armchairs seat height 380mm
- Door width to rest of cottage 700mm
- 2 ceiling mounted lights and 1 table lamp

Kitchen



- Kitchen is a mixture of free-standing units, a table and some built-in cupboards
- Height of worktop 900mm
- Free standing electric cooker
- Microwave, dishwasher, fridge, separate freezer, toaster and cordless kettle
- Mixer tap
- Four overhead lights
- Kitchen table – table height 800mm, clear space underneath 630mm (main table) 790mm (on side extensions)
- 6 wooden chairs seat height 460mm
- Door width 800mm
- Door width to laundry 770mm (shared area)
- 4 ceiling mounted lights

Dining Room



- Large room with wooden table and six dining chairs
- Table height 750mm with 630mm clear space underneath
- 6 Wooden chairs with upholstered seats – seat height 430mm
- 1 Ceiling mounted light in central location

Sitting Room



- Step down into Sitting Room 150mm
- Door into Sitting Room 800mm wide
- 2 x two-seater sofas, seat height 460mm
- 2 x Wing back armchairs, seat height 520mm and 470mm
- 1 ceiling mounted light, 2 standard lamps & 1 table lamp

Double Bedroom



- Spacious and light room with generous circulation space
- Door width 870mm
- King size bed – 1503mm x 1890mm, mattress height 700mm and is Medium/Firm
- Bedside cabinets either side with table lamps either side
- 2 overhead lights in central locations
- Free-standing furniture includes wardrobe, chair and dressing table

Bathroom (Ground Floor)



- Free standing cast iron bath – 1850mm long, 600mm high and 770mm wide
- WC seat height 430mm
- Wash hand basin 800mm high
- Shower cubicle as a 210mm step into it – door opening width 500mm

Bathroom (1st Floor)



- WC, basin and bath with shower over
- WC seat height 440mm
- Bath is 1680mm long, 550mm high and 690mm wide with small integral grab rails either side
- Wash hand basin is 800mm high
- Recessed spot lights overhead

Twin Bedroom



- 2 Single beds 920mm wide, 1890mm long, mattress height 550mm (firm mattresses)
- 2 Wall lights above beds
- Central ceiling light and 1 table lamp
- Both beds against the walls with a central aisle between
- Chest of drawers

Double Bedroom



- 2 steps down from landing 1020mm and 900mm
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- Bed in centre of room with bedside tables & lamps at each side
- 1 Central ceiling light

Laundry Room



- This is shared with the cottage next door and has a washing machine and tumble dryer
- Two approaches (internal and external)
- Level access through from kitchen
- 3 steps down if approached from outside (uneven worn stone steps with average height of 150mm)

Garden



- There is a shared lawn area at the side of the cottage that is shared with Garden Cottage

Additional Information



- Assistance dogs are welcome at all our cottages
- 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.

Facilities at all cottages

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

- Chair with armrests
- Good reading light
- Large handle vegetable peeler
- Easy tin opener
- 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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