

Access Statement

This statement describes the access, procedures and facilities at Tosson Tower Farm and our new rooms in a barn conversion opposite the main farmhouse, as they might apply to, and for the benefit of persons with disabilities.

We would wish your stay with us to be as comfortable as possible, so please do not hesitate to ask if you have any concerns about access or there is anything that would make your stay more enjoyable.

Any constructive suggestion on additions to this statement, or how our disabled access might be improved, within the house limitations, would be welcome.

Our farmhouse is a listed building and dates from the 16th Century and has many original features. It may not be practicable to make wholesale changes to our access, as this would be detrimental to the character of the property. However, we do intend to make our house as accessible as we can, in order that as many people as possible can enjoy a stay in our wonderful home in north Northumberland.

General Information

- We allow an assistance dog (with well behaved owner) in the farmhouse only.
- Breakfast is partially self-service, but by request this can be fully served.
- Mobile phone coverage in the area is patchy. The Orange or BT network provide the best coverage.
- Public transport provision in the area is limited – we keep copies of all public transport timetables. The nearest railway station is at Alnmouth, 20 miles away.
- Visitor attractions with disabled access can be found on www.tourismnortheast.co.uk
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- **Emergency actions**
- The property does currently not require a fire certificate.
- At present there are smoke detectors (audible only) on the staircase of the main house and the Barn conversion.
- . Emergency information can be communicated verbally on request.
- Please let us know if you have any concerns about procedures.

Mobility Access

1) Access to main house.

- This includes the first floor and Ground Floor entrance hall, guest's lounge and dining room/conservatory.
- We have a large car park at the front of the house surfaced with gravel. The surface is uneven in places. During the hours of darkness there are no nearby streetlights and the car park lighting is minimal.
- Customers can be dropped off within 2 metres of the front steps. Car parking is within 10 metres of the front steps.
- There are 3 steps leading into the house
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2) Accessibility within main house

a) Conservatory

Breakfast is served in the conservatory.

- The floor surface is wood.
- All table and chairs are of a universal height.

Breakfast is a mixture of table service and self-service. Please let us know if you have any specific requirements for breakfast.

c) Lounge and Entrance Hall

- The floor surfaces are carpet
- The lounge has a short pile carpet
- There is a four-piece suite in the lounge.

d) The Cheviot Room

- From the hall a flight of 9 stairs (height 16cm) leads to a half landing.
- There are 7 stairs (height 16cm) to the right leading to the front bedroom.
- The stairs are carpeted
- The twin bedroom floor surface is carpet with a sheepskin rug.
- There is a tea tray and cordless kettle in the room.
- Two standard single beds with deep mattresses.
- The floor surface within bathroom is carpet
- This room has a shower with a tray height not exceeding 22cm.
- Bathroom fittings are standard.

e) The Forest Room

- The bedroom is fitted short pile carpet.
- There is a tea tray and cordless kettle the room.
- The bed is of a standard height, and is king sized
- The floor surface within bathroom is tiled.
- This bathroom fittings are standard.

f) The Tower Room

- The bedroom is fitted with a short pile carpet.
- There is a tea tray and cordless kettle in the room.
- The bed is of a standard height, and is king sized
- The floor surface in the bathroom is tiled.
- There is an electric shower over the bath.
- Bathroom fittings are standard. (support/grab rails are yet to be fitted in the bath/shower).

g) The Rose Room – in Barn Conversion

- Down stairs bedroom
- Short piled carpet
- King sized bed of standard height
- Bathroom with tiled floor and under floor heating
- Double ended bath with central taps
- Standard bathroom fittings

h) The Moonbeam Room – in Barn Conversion

- Upstairs bedroom
- Short piled carpet
- King sized bed of standard height
- Bathroom with tiled floor and under floor heating
- Double ended bath with central taps and separate shower
- Standard bathroom fittings

I) The Courtyard Room – in The Steadings Barn Conversion

- Ground floor bedroom
- Wood flooring
- King sized “Sleigh “bed of standard height
- Bathroom with wood floor and under floor heating
- Corner bath and separate shower
- Standard bathroom fittings
- Fridge

J) The Millstream Room – in The Steadings Barn Conversion

- Ground floor bedroom
- Short pile carpet
- King sized “Sleigh “bed of standard height
- Bathroom with wood floor and under floor heating
- Corner bath and separate shower
- Standard bathroom fittings
- Fridge

There is a large lounge with wood burning stove and a courtyard garden with fishpond and fountain to enjoy during your stay in either The Steadings or Millrace B and B accommodation.

H e a r i n g I m p a i r m e n t

Accessibility for people with hearing impairment

- There is a TV and video in the lounge, and headphones are available on request.
- All rooms have a radio,
- Guests are normally shown to their rooms, and everything about the room explained to them. However, all the information about the house is contained within a folder in the room

S i g h t I m p a i r m e n t

Accessibility for people with sight impairment

- Additional lighting for all rooms is available on request.
- Guests are normally shown to their rooms, and everything about the room explained to them. All the information about the house is also contained within a folder in the room, and this can be relayed to guests as required.