

This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our guests/visitors.

## **Access Statement for 4 Canon Lane**

### **Introduction**

4 Canon Lane is located in the heart of the Georgian city of Chichester, within the picturesque grounds of the Cathedral's Close. The House is situated on a quiet lane within easy distance of local shops and public transport.

We offer 8 bedrooms, one of which is on the ground floor and has been fully adapted for disabled access. For breakfast we cater for varying dietary requirements when notified in advance.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please phone 01243 813586 or email [bookings@chichestercathedral.org.uk](mailto:bookings@chichestercathedral.org.uk).

### **Pre-Arrival**

- For full details and maps of how to reach us please see the contact us section of the Cathedral website. Alternatively you can plan your journey by car or public transport using [www.transportdirect.info](http://www.transportdirect.info); simply enter your postcode and ours, which is PO19 1PX to get directions.
- There is a local taxi service that has accessible taxis if required; bookings can be made through us or the companies themselves.
- Chichester train station is situated less than 5 minutes away from the house by foot.
- At the end of Canon lane there are numerous bus stops with connecting buses to nearby towns and villages.
- Canon Lane, the road leading to the house is a tarmac surface.

- The pavement on the street leading to the House is paved.
- Menus for the house can be provided in large print by prior arrangement.
- This access statement is also available in larger print on request.

### **Car Parking and Arrival**

- We offer limited free parking for our guests. The parking bays are situated opposite the House on Canon Lane which has a tarmac surface with three spaces; and to the side of the House, which has a gravel surface with two parking spaces. These spaces are allocated when the booking is confirmed.
- Entry to the House is through the front door and is accessed via a dropped curb from the road onto the pavement which has a surface of large paving stones. There are not steps to get into the house.
- This is well lit at night with a street light and a timer light in the doorway.
- We also offer a movable ramp which can assist entry to the front door.
- The front door opening width is 42inch/1065mm.
- On arrival our house warden can assist with carrying luggage.

### **Welcome Area**

- Guests are welcomed in the hallway, which is level throughout, where they are asked to check in.
- Seating is available with an upright wooden bench seating up to three people and one seat at the reception desk with arms.
- The flooring is short pile carpet throughout the ground floor apart from the Dining Room which has laminate flooring.
- The area is evenly and well lit with one chandelier and several wall uplighters.

- On arrival guests are shown the Dining Room and given a brief tour of the House.
- Guests are shown to their bedroom and shown the facilities of the room.

## **Bedrooms**

- There are 8 bedrooms which are all en suite.
- There is 1 bedroom on the ground floor with a single divan bed, with step free level access from the front door. This bedroom is fully fitted to be suitable for disabled use. The height from the floor to the mattress top is 24inch/610mm. The door opening width is 34inch, 865mm
- There are 7 bedrooms on the first floor. There are 3 bedrooms with double divan beds and 4 bedrooms with large double divan beds (2 single beds together) These 7 bedrooms can only be accessed by stairs.
- All 8 bedrooms are fitted with short pile carpet.
- The bedroom doors are marked with raised numbers.
- The rooms are lit with wall lights and a bedside lamp. Additional lighting can be requested.
- All 8 bedrooms offer widescreen televisions with remote control, subtitles, and audio description facilities. Alarm clocks with backlights are in all rooms.
- The bedroom telephones have plain, large buttons and voice amplification

## **Bathrooms, Shower-rooms & Toilets (Ensuite or Shared)**

- All rooms have en-suite bathrooms.
- The ground floor bedroom en-suite bathroom is a wet room; it is all on one level including entering it from the bedroom.
- The door opening width is 31inch/790mm.
- The WC height from the floor is 19inch/490mm; the wash basin height is 31.5inch/800mm.

- The taps on the sink are lever fittings.
- There are 2 main support rails in the washroom. One is in the shower space, and the other is beside the toilet.
- There is a shower stool beside the shower.
- The floor is a non-slip beige surface. The walls are white tiled.
- The room is well lit by a large ceiling light.

### **Public Areas - Halls, Stairs, Landings, Corridors**

- All public areas are well lit with plenty of natural light in the daytime and wall lighting in the evening.
- There is short pile carpet on the stairs, hall and landing.
- The entrance room is a large open room; the upstairs landing is wide ranging from 39-50inch/990-1270mm.
- There are 5 steps up to a landing followed by 16 steps to the first floor bedrooms; all stairs have a banister and a grab rail on the wall. The stairs are 6inches (150mm) high, 11inches (280mm) deep and 48inches 1220mm wide.

### **Public Toilet**

- Available on the ground floor are 2 uni-sex communal toilets with non-slip flooring.
- The larger of the two toilets has an emergency pull cord and a grab rail to the right and left of the toilet.
- There is level entry to the toilets.
- The toilets are well lit with wall lights, with the addition of an overhead light in the larger toilet.

### **Dining Room**

- The dining room is accessed through the entrance area to the left of the front door, with step free/level entry from the front door and the stairs.

- The door opening width is 34inch, 860mm
- The dining room layout is set up according to guest capacity and requirements.
- The seating in the room is upright padded chairs without arms.
- Lighting is natural daylight and wall lights. A freestanding uplighter is available on request.
- The floor surface is cream coloured laminate flooring.
- We are able to cater for varying dietary requirements on request. Please advise us when making a booking.
- Cooked breakfast is waitress served at the table and Continental buffet breakfast is self service.
- The tables are laid with white tablecloths and silver cutlery.
- The nearest WC is off of the entrance room to the right of the front door.

### **Garden**

- The garden is available for use and can be accessed through the Dining Room through double doors.
- It has level access with gradual slopes along the paved patio area.
- Tables and chairs are available on the patio.
- The garden area is large with a lawn sloping in some areas.

### **Additional Information**

- All further information such as fire evacuation procedures can be found in the bedrooms. These can be available in large print, on request.
- We welcome assistance dogs and can offer a garden with water and food bowls where necessary.
- Low-energy lighting is used.
- The dining room is dark maroon coloured walls which contrast with light cream laminate flooring.

- The general public areas are white walls with a dark green patterned carpet floor.
- Wireless internet is available in all rooms and public areas free of charge.
- Local doctor surgery's: West St Surgery 01243 789630; Parklands Surgery 01243 782819
- Chichester's hospital, St Richards Hospital, is a 6 minutes car journey from the House.
- The nearest shop mobility scheme operates from Chichester's East Pallant car park between 9am and 3pm on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. This is a 6 minute walk from the house.
- Nearby restaurants with wheelchair access include: Café Rouge (French); Prezzo (Italian); Smith and Western (American); The Old Cross (Public House).
- Local attractions with access include: Chichester Cathedral; Pallant House Gallery; Fishbourne Roman Palace

### **Future Plans**

- We are planning a review of our website later this year to make it more accessible, your comments are welcome to assist us with this project.

### **Contact Information**

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