

## **ACCESS STATEMENT FOR THE BEAMSLEY PROJECT COTTAGE**

### **INTRODUCTION**

The Beamsley Project is situated on the side of the A59 Skipton to Harrogate Road about one mile from the roundabout with the B6160 at Bolton Bridge. Access is directly from the east carriageway. The Cottage was the Chapel Keeper's residence and was built about 1856. The building has been modified for people with disabilities but may not provide full access for all disabilities.

### **PRE-ARRIVAL**

Although the X59 Harrogate to Skipton bus passes the gate there is no official bus stop and stopping on the busy road is difficult. The nearest railway stations are: Skipton (7 miles) with a good service to Leeds and Bradford and westwards to Morecambe and along the Settle-Carlisle railway to Carlisle.

Ilkley (6 miles) with a good service to Leeds and Bradford.

There are taxis at both stations and the cost of a single journey to the Beamsley Project is about £10.

We can provide details of taxi companies.

Our location means that use of a vehicle is essential.

The nearest shops are in Addingham (4 miles) and there are supermarkets in Ilkley and Skipton.

We have a no pets policy with the exception of registered assistance dogs.

### **ARRIVAL AND CAR PARKING**

To ensure that your accommodation is ready we ask that you do not arrive before 2pm. If you are unable to arrive by 4pm please let us know your anticipated time of arrival so that we can make arrangements for staff to be on site. Should you be delayed please let us know.

Access from the A59 is direct but on a slight slope. There is a double gated entrance.

There is ample parking for cars, minibuses and a coach.

The distance from the car park to the Cottage is about 10 metres.

The car park is hard surfaced as are the footpaths.

The car park and entrances are lit at dusk and the lighting is sensor controlled.

The rear door to the Cottage is accessed from a covered setting down area.

The covered setting down area is 2.33m high and 3.5m wide. There is a slight slope.

The Cottage has fire sensors and emergency lights on the stairs, landing and ground floor corridor.

### **ENTRANCE**

There is a short hard surfaced path from the car park to the front door with a slight gradient. There are no steps en route.

Threshold 15mm

Front door clear opening 730 mm. Door opens inwards.

Entrance lobby 1100mm x 775 mm with access to the lounge and the dining kitchen.

Lever action door handles throughout..

### **KITCHEN DINING ROOM**

Small and compact with level access from the front lobby. No steps.

Door clear opening 770mm.

Table with 640mm/720mm clear under space. Table risers are available.

Moveable seating throughout.  
Adjustable height sink and cooker hob.  
Base of oven 650mm from floor.  
Cordless kettle.  
Wall cupboards not accessible from wheelchair.  
Microwave 1 metre from floor.  
Floor texture is non-slip flooring.  
Dishwasher at wheel chair height.  
Washing machine at wheelchair height but dryer is stacked on top of washing machine.  
Fridge freezer accessible.  
Electric light switches and power points at waist height.  
Large handled cutlery is available.  
Fire door with closing mechanism.

## **LOUNGE**

Level access from front lobby and rear door along short corridor. Corridor is 1640mm wide.  
Door clear opening 770mm.  
Payphone with T-switch symbol.  
TV and DVD with remote control.  
Floor texture carpet.  
Stannah through the floor wheel chair lift provides access from lounge to bedroom.  
Door clear opening 675mm. Internal space 1150mm x 675mm  
NB Some users may not be able to use the lift because of the size of their wheelchairs.  
Fire door with closing mechanism to rear corridor.

## **GROUND FLOOR TOILET**

Closo mat wash and dry toilet. Transfer from right.  
'Pressalit' support rails for WC.  
Washbasin height adjustable.  
Emergency alarm pull.  
Floor non slip.

## **BEDROOMS**

All have fire doors with closing mechanisms.  
3 twin bedded rooms on 1<sup>st</sup> floor. All carpeted.  
Access by staircase with handrails to both sides. Carpeted stairs.  
Access by wheelchair lift from lounge into one bedroom.  
Accessible bedroom with alarm pull.  
Electrically operated profiling bed with sensory foam mattress and cot sides.  
Wardrobe handles 680mm from ground. Hanging rail 1080 mm from ground.  
Bedside lamps but no master switch for main light by the beds.  
Low mirrors and waist height power sockets.  
Height of beds 540mm with 190mm space under beds for mobile hoists.  
Door clear opening 780mm

## **SHOWER ROOM**

Access by corridor on first floor. Corridor 1040mm wide no steps.  
Door clear opening 780mm. Unobstructed space clear of door swing 1500mm x 1500mm.  
Door handle 1000m from floor.  
Light switch pull cord 550mm from floor.

Adjustable height washbasin.  
Limited lateral transfer to toilet angled transfer possible..  
Height of WC 440mm  
'Pressalit' horizontal support rail on transfer side only.  
Toilet paper within easy reach.  
Level access shower.  
Shower wheelchairs available.  
Shower controls 900mm from ground.  
Shaving point and mirror light not accessible from wheelchair.  
Emergency pull alarm.

## **GARDEN**

There are level gardens at the front of the Cottage. These are shared with the main Centre.

There are paved or tarmacadamed paths.

There are benches and picnic tables with wheelchair access.

There is a double gate from the garden and a single pedestrian gate.

## **FURTHER INFORMATION**

The fire sensors and fire fighting equipment is checked regularly. The sensors and emergency lights are serviced every three months and the fire fighting equipment is serviced annually.

The electrical equipment is tested annually.

The lifting equipment is serviced and tested at six monthly intervals.

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Open all year but repairs and renovations normally carried out in January.

The Beamsley Project is a Registered Charity

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