# **ACCESS STATEMENT**

The Wheelhouse Little Porth St. Mary's Isles of Scilly TR21 OJG



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## **General Information**

• Rooms: 9 (3 singles, 2 twins, 4 doubles)

• Maximum capacity: 17 Residential guests

- Heated communal lounge/breakfast room
- Wireless internet in lounge
- Ground floor WC
- Garden/patio
- We do not take young children or pets. Please contact us if you have an assistance dog to discuss arrangements.

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The Wheelhouse is a two-storey guest house with nine en-suite rooms. Five rooms are located on the ground floor, although there is no level access to the building thus limiting disabled access. If you have any queries or require any assistance, please telephone 01720 422719 or email info@thewheelhosuescilly.co.uk

## **Arriving at The Wheelhouse**

The Wheelhouse is located in Hugh Town on St. Mary's, the largest of the five inhabited islands that comprise the Isles of Scilly. The Islands are reached by helicopter, plane or boat. All helicopter and plane flights are met by minibuses that will drop passengers off by the Wheelhouse. Accessible transit is possible by prior arrangement. When arriving by boat all appropriately addressed luggage will be delivered directly to The Wheelhouse by Island Carriers for a small charge (£1.25 for 2012 season). The Wheelhouse is just a short walk from the main quay. Taxi transfers can be arranged in advance.

We are in close proximity to Hugh Town's shops, restaurants, cafes, galleries and the main quay, from where the passenger boats arrive and depart.

The Wheelhouse is accessed from a gently sloping tarmac road leading to Porthcressa beach. The path to the front door is concrete and has a slight incline. The doorframe has an 80mm high step which must be stepped over. The doorframe is 740mm wide. A mobility scooter can be parked and charged on the front path – mobility scooters are available for hire on St. Mary's, please contact us

for further details. Golf buggies are also available for hire on St. Mary's, again please contact us for details.

We offer to take your luggage to and from your room.

## **Communal areas**

All communal areas are carpeted. Directly in front of the main entrance is the door to the lounge/dining room. This is a 760mm wide fire door. The lounge area is available for use at any time and has armchair seating for 11 people and a selection of local interest books. Rooms 6 & 7 are located up a flight of 12 steps accessed from the lounge. The steps are each approximately 200mm high. There is a minimum head clearance of 1600mm on this staircase.

To the right of the entrance hall is the corridor leading to rooms 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 8 & 9 and the downstairs WC. There are two steps up to the corridor, 130mm and 117mm high respectively. Ground floor rooms 1, 2 & 3 and the WC are accessed from this section of corridor at ground floor level. The door to the WC is some 610mm wide. Rooms 4 and 5 are up a flight of 13 stairs, each approximately 210mm high. The staircase is 760m wide. The corridor then goes through an open doorway, some 560mm wide. Room 9 is accessed from this corridor. Room 8 is at a right hand turn at the end of the corridor. There is a step down, which is raised by 42mm and steps down 155mm. Room 8 is opposite the rear fire exit.

The breakfast buffet table is 740mm high. All hot food and drink is served by table service.

## The rooms

#### Room 1

Ground floor twin with en-suite shower. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

## Room 2

Ground floor double with en-suite shower. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

## Room 3

Ground floor double with en-suite shower. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

#### Room 4

First floor small double with en-suite bath and shower attachment. Side of bath is 550mm high. Has a fire escape exit on to first floor terrace, which has spiral stair to ground level. Headroom restricted adjacent to bed due to slope of ceiling. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

## Room 5

First floor double with en-suite bath and shower. Side of bath is 430mm high. Has a fire escape exit on to first floor terrace, which has spiral stair to ground level. Headroom marginally restricted adjacent to bed due to slope of ceiling. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

## Room 6

First floor double with en-suite shower. Has a fire escape exit on to first floor terrace, which has spiral stair to ground level. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

## Room 7

First floor double with en-suite shower. Has a fire escape exit on to first floor terrace, which has spiral stair to ground level. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

#### Room 8

Ground floor single/twin with en-suite shower. There is a large step, 235mm, up to the shower room. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

## Room 9

Ground floor single with en-suite shower. Electric heater. Carpet in room, lino in en-suite.

If you require further details about any of our rooms and have any queries at all, please contact us by telephone 01720 422 719 or email <a href="mailto:info@thewheelhosuescilly.co.uk">info@thewheelhosuescilly.co.uk</a>

## Garden/patio

The patio is available for use by residents at all times. Cream teas and cakes are also served to non-residents here. The patio is accessed above the front path, up a 190mm high step. It is constructed of concrete and has an even surface. There are three tables on the patio.

The garden is available for use by residents. The garden is located facing the beach. To access the garden you must leave the guest house and head down the concrete public highway for a few metres, which has a slight down slope. There is a small step of 20mm to reach the garden gate. The gate is some 2200mm wide and operated by a bolt into the ground on the inside of the gate. The other side of the gate is a concrete area with some pot plants on it. There is a 230mm step up to the lawn area.

## Fire safety

Strictly a non smoking guest house. Fire alarm system with sounders in each guest room and main communal rooms that is tested on a weekly basis. Emergency lighting system that is tested weekly. Fire exits in all upstairs rooms that lead on to the first floor terrace, with a spiral staircase to ground level. The spiral staircase has 14 steps, each 182mm high, and is 650mm wide. There is a fire exit opposite room 8. Fire doors to prevent spread of fire. Each guest room has information about fire exit routes.