

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 Sandford House Hotel

Introduction

Sandford House is located in the centre of Shrewsbury. Joseph Bloomfield, a famous local architect and master plasterer, built the house in 1760.

The hotel has a total of 19 bedrooms all of which are en suite. Four of these bedrooms are on the ground floor, two of the ground floor rooms have been adapted for people with limited disabilities. They have walk in showers and rail facilities, but are only suitable for disabled people who are accompanied by a carer. The hotel is built on level ground and access to the disabled rooms is via a ramp. The other 17 bedrooms are suitable for able bodied people.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries, or require any assistance, please phone 01743343829, Fax 01743231049 or email sandfordhouse@hotmail.co.uk

Pre-arrival

We are located in the town centre of Shrewsbury within easy reach of the M54 motorway, which links to the rest of the UK motorway network.

For full details and maps of how to reach please see the location and contact section of our website. Alternatively, you can plan your journey by car or public transport using www.transportdirect.info. Simply enter your postcode plus ours, SY1 1XL to get directions.

The nearest bus stop is at the end of the road, which will take you to Shrewsbury bus terminus. From there you can catch buses to all locations within the county.

Shrewsbury railway station is approximately ten minutes walk and is connected to the National Rail network.

Taxis are available at the railway station and you can book in advance by calling Access Taxis on 01743344444.

Birmingham Airport is 1 hour and 30 minutes drive. Manchester Airport is 1 hour and 30 minutes. Liverpool Airport is 1 hour drive.

For disabled guests there is a Shopmobility in the town centre.

Car parking and Arrival

We have limited parking at the hotel premises however, there is a secure parking next to the hotel, which is well lit and is on 24 hour surveillance.

Access to the property is from a level driveway, which takes you to the entrance. There are 4 steps leading up to front door, which takes you to reception. This is well lit at night. Access to the Garden Lodge is through a wide gate, which is level ground and a ramp to the ground floor rooms.

Welcome Area

Guests are welcomed in the reception area, where they check in. The floor is level throughout and carpeted. Seating is available. The area is well lit with overhead lighting and a table lamp. Assistance can be given with luggage. Upon arrival guests are provided with a town map, and information regarding restaurants and places of historical interest. There is a public payphone available for use by the guests. Once check in is complete, guests are shown around the property.

Bedrooms

The Lodge:

Our ground floor guest rooms are accessed by means of a wide gate at the side of the building. The ground is level and access is gained up a slow ramp to rooms 14 and 15, which are for limited disabled. Rooms 11 and 12 are also on the ground floor for able bodied guests. Rooms 14 and 15 can also be set as twins for a carer, but can also be used by able bodied guests.

Rooms 16, 17, 18 and 19 are accessible by one flight of stairs.

Main house:

Rooms 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 are accessible up one flight of stairs. Rooms 6, 7, 8, 9 and 10 are accessible up two flights of stairs.

All our beds are made up of 100% cotton sheets and pillowcases, covered with a duvet and a throw. The pillowcases and duvets are filled with hollow fibre, non allergenic.

All rooms have 2 bedside tables with bedside lights, a dressing table and mirror and stool. A full length mirror, wardrobe, luggage rack and a separate unit with tea and coffee making facilities.

There is also a 22" flat screen freeview, digital television and radio and also an alarm clock and hairdryer. There is a bible in each room.

Shower Rooms and Bathrooms

All bedrooms are en suite shower rooms except rooms 5 and 6, which in addition to a shower have full sized baths. Each shower room consists of a shower, wash hand basin, and above the basin is a mirror, a shelf and light with shaving point. There is a shower mat, 2 cotton bath towels and 2 cotton hand towels. Soap, shampoo and shower gel are also provided.

Public Areas-All Stairs, Landing, Corridors

All stairs and landings are well lit using a combination of ceiling, wall lights and table lamps. In the case of a power cut, emergency lighting will be on.

All hall stairs and landings are carpeted.

There are no steps to the dining room.

In the main house, there are 2 handrails for the stairs and in the lodge there is 1 handrail to the stairs.

The house is fully centrally heated throughout, but temperatures can be adjusted in each room to suit individual requirements.

There are automatic audible smoke alarms throughout the whole premises.

Public Areas-Lounge

The lounge is situated on the ground floor of the main hotel and is accessed through a large door, which is usually left open. Inside the lounge there is a large, comfortable settee and 2 large, comfortable chairs. It is well lit using a combination of side lighting. There is a 42" digital, flat screen, multi channel TV and radio. There is also a small honesty bar providing an assortment of wines, spirits, beers and soft drinks for the guests to help themselves. There is also a coffee table and a piano. There are no public toilets.

Wi-Fi is accessible in the lounge.

Dining Room

The breakfast/dining room is situated on the ground floor of the main hotel.

It is fully carpeted.

Large windows allowing plenty of light supplemented by adjustable, overhead lighting.

The dining room is fully centrally heated.

There is seating for 26 people, which consists of a combination of tables for 2 or 4.

We can cater for all dietary needs providing we have notice in advance.

Guests are greeted in the dining room, informed to help themselves to fruit and cereal and a full table service is provided.

Garden

The garden is accessed through the wide side gate, which is never locked. In the garden is a lawned area with plenty of seating and tables for the guests to use.

This is our designated smoking area, as smoking in the hotel is not permitted.

Additional Information

In case of fire-instructions are posted in a frame, on the wall in every room.

There is an information folder in each of the bedrooms giving details on all facilities.

We also have a selection of menus from local restaurants.

We have a storage facility for golfer's, cyclist's and walker's equipment.

A battery charger facility is available for motorised scooters and power golf trolleys.

We are happy to cater for special diets or particular likes or dislikes, please advise us before your arrival.

We can refrigerate prescriptions, medication and additionally store any perishable foods in our fridge for a limited period.

Hotel Details

Sandford House Hotel, St Julian's Friars, Shrewsbury SY1 1XL.

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Hours of operation: 52 weeks a year.

Local accessible taxis: Access 01743 344444

Local public transport: Arriva Buses

If you require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us

