



ACCESS STATEMENT

This Access Statement should be read in conjunction with the descriptions for each area of the house provided by 5 Cwmdonkin Drive Limited and on the website www.dylanthomasbirthplace.com. These will provide a more detailed description of what we can offer for all our visitors.

Dylan Thomas Birthplace & Family Home, 5 Cwmdonkin Drive is an experiential B&B and self catering experience of life in a 1914 middle class family home. There are some concessions to modern living with central heating installed and a modern gas cooker. Other facilities are 'state of the art' for 1914 including a separate kitchen, scullery and larder. There is a restored washroom but this is not intended for use as there are launderette facilities within walking distance if required.

The house is a listed building and has retained its original floor layouts

Parking

- Parking is available on-street outside the house and in the adjacent Hillside Crescent. It is possible for cars to 'double park' outside the property for dropping off and picking up.
- The parking is on tarmac surfaced areas. Car park areas are lit with sodium lighting at night.
- There are footpaths on all roads. It should be noted that Cwmdonkin Drive is a steep hill and that the footpath immediately outside the house is of the original flagstones.

Reception

- All visitors will normally be welcomed by the owners or housekeeper when they arrive during reasonable hours
- If visitors arrive after 6.00pm then arrangements will be made for collection of the keys.
- There is one step at the back of footpath and three steps at the entrance doorway with a 200mm riser which opens onto an enclosed porch.

Site Facilities and Information

- There is a rubbish area at the rear. There will be separate recycling bins for paper, plastic, cupboard, cans and glass but we envisage that visitors will generally look to 1914 standards and only use biodegradable packaging. Rubbish collection is on a Wednesday
- Telephone numbers for local taxi service, doctor, hospital, dentist, vet and hospitals are available in the housebook.
- Mobile phone reception is patchy in this area.
- Free Wifi is available in the house

Accommodation

- The accommodation is on two levels. Generally doors are in excess of 760mm wide. The ground floor is on one level and the first floor is approached on an internal flight of stairs from the hall.
- On the first floor there are two steps up to the 'best' bedroom (double) and Nancy's room (twin)
- There is level access to the separate wc, bathroom, Dylan's bedroom (small single) and DJ and Florrie's bedroom (double).
- The ground floor has the 'best' room, DJ's study, living room, kitchen, scullery and pantry.
- There is an outside wc close to the back door. This would not be suitable for wheelchair access.
- There is good colour contrast between walls, doors and floors in all areas.
- There are no televisions, video CD/DVD players but there is a wind up phonogram with 78 records, a piano and a library of pre- 1914 books in DJ's study.
- Lighting is from overhead pendant light fittings with standard lamps in living rooms. Bedrooms have overhead lights and bedside lamps. Some lightbulbs are original or reproduction 1920s light bulbs which provide a unique ambience at night.
- Kitchens and bathrooms have twist top taps.

General

- The housebook will provide further information about the services available and of walks in the local area and tours.
- Although we have tried to include as much detailed information as possible we are always happy to answer queries on any aspect of 5 Cwmdonkin Drive.