

## PERIWINKLE COTTAGE – 17 OLD WAY – STOGUMBER – ACCESS STATEMENT

**LOCATION** – on the edge of Stogumber village, the village is hilly.

Old Way is near the bottom of Ash Beer Hill, which is a gradient of about 30 degrees where the cars can park on the road side. There are only buildings on the left side of the road; on the other side is a steep bank, hedging and fields.

**FROM THE ROAD TO THE COTTAGE GATE** – The cottage is approached via a foot path, being 45 meters from the road to the cottage gate. The foot path has a rough surface composed of 20mm gravel chippings, with a hand rail on the left side for approximately 15 meters leading from the road. The path is on a slight gradient from the road access to the corner, it then turns to the right and levels out.

**FROM THE COTTAGE GATE TO THE COTTAGE** – The garden gate can be fastened back against the fence to make the carrying of suit cases, bags etc easier. A small wheel barrow is provided in the guests shed if required. From the garden gate there is a slab path leading down a slight gradient towards the cottage. The path then turns to the right, drops down one step to a level pathway. This pathway leads to the 5 steps – hand rail on the right – which takes you down to a flat patio area outside the cottage.

**THE COTTAGE** – The ground floor is on the level. There are stairs (gentle not steep) leading up to the first floor area, these stairs curve round to the left where they meet the landing. There is a hand rail on the left and a banister around the stair well. The ceiling on the ground floor is low – anyone over six feet tall needs to be aware there is a central beam.

The first floor is on the level, and the ceilings are much higher. A step is provided to assist getting into and out of the bath/shower. A suction hand grip is also provided if required. The taps are all lever action. Grips are provided for difficult lids. The kettle is cordless. TV/DVD has a remote control system. Flooring on the ground floor is tiled, carpeting on the stairs, landing and in the bedroom. Cushioned flooring in the bathroom. There is a night light on the landing that can be switched on/off by guests if required.

**GARDEN AND SUMMERHOUSE** – Both gardens are on a slope. The second lawned garden is accessed via a slab path (uneven surface), and the summerhouse/patio via one step up. The patio area is enclosed within a picket fence with gate. Guests need to be aware that the patio surface is slightly uneven. Due to the elevated position of the summerhouse, guests can enjoy panoramic views of the village and rural countryside.