



## **The White House ❖ Tonbridge ❖ Kent ❖ TN11 0AE**

An elegant and spacious house originating from the 18<sup>th</sup> century with exceptional and versatile accommodation, set in established gardens of just under 1.5 acres, which adjoin open farmland.

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- ❖ A beautiful 18th Century home with later additions, incorporating an oast roundel.
- ❖ Elegant period features throughout, including multi-paned and sash windows, painted panel doors, picture rails, dado rails and ceiling coving.
- ❖ Impressive 36 foot kitchen/diner with double AGA.
- ❖ Five lovely reception rooms with stylish drawing room.
- ❖ Sophisticated, double aspect master bedroom with superb en suite.
- ❖ Seven further bedrooms and four bathrooms.
- ❖ Pantry, boot room, utility room and laundry room.
- ❖ Excellent versatile ancillary accommodation.
- ❖ Heated swimming pool, summerhouse and pool house.
- ❖ Gated entrance and double garage with automatic doors.
- ❖ Landscaped south-westerly facing gardens with views over adjoining farmland.
- ❖ Tonbridge mainline station just 2.5 miles distant.

## DESCRIPTION

The White House is a beautiful property presented in a sophisticated and elegant fashion with well-proportioned accommodation arranged over two floors, together with substantial attics. The house dates in part from the early 18<sup>th</sup> century, incorporating an oast roundel and adjoining brick barn, wrapped in a Georgian façade with substantial Victorian additions. This wonderful family residence includes 8 bedrooms, 5 reception rooms, a striking 36 foot kitchen/diner, together with a pantry, boot room, laundry room and utility room. The versatile accommodation also includes a self-contained annexe and an additional au pair suite, each accessible from the main house as well as via dedicated external front doors. The spacious grounds are a most attractive backdrop, with a heated swimming pool, summerhouse and pool house. Mature trees and landscaped gardens surround the house, with lovely lawned areas interspersed by well stocked beds and borders. The total area of the house and gardens is just under 1.5 acres.



- ❖ A striking feature of the elegant entrance hallway, with its wonderfully crafted staircase to the upper floors, is a glass covered well, stylishly lit by key lighting.
- ❖ The elegant double-aspect drawing room offers two attractive bay windows, each with window seats and storage, an imposing fireplace, together with an extensive range of book shelves and fitted units.
- ❖ The sitting room has a wood burning stove and an attractive outlook to the front of the house.
- ❖ The lovely oast roundel is currently used as a study and is accessible from the entrance hallway and the kitchen/diner.
- ❖ The kitchen/dining room is an impressive space with high ceilings and is fitted with a comprehensive range of bespoke cabinetry and granite work surfaces. It offers a 4-oven electric Aga and other integrated appliances, and has a wonderful fireplace with a cast iron grate.
- ❖ There is also a large pantry, a boot room, utility room, laundry room and generous storage areas.
- ❖ Two separate staircases service the first floor. The striking double aspect master bedroom has exposed ceiling beams and modern vertical radiators, together with extensive fitted wardrobes.
- ❖ The contemporary en suite features a walk-in shower, WC and wall-mounted his and hers wash basins.
- ❖ There are 7 further bedrooms, one of which is located in the roundel, some retaining their original cast iron fireplaces and all providing generous fitted cupboards.
- ❖ There are 4 bathrooms serving these bedrooms.
- ❖ A fitted study is located on the first floor, with exposed ceiling beams.
- ❖ The generously proportioned attics feature an oxeye window in the gable and are accessed by their own staircase.
- ❖ A large solar PV system is discreetly installed on the roof.







### THE ANNEXE

- ❖ A front door leads to the hall with access to the bedroom and well appointed separate shower room. The sitting room has a gas fireplace and heated stone flooring which extends to the kitchen, fitted with cupboards by Chalon. There is a 4 oven gas Aga with 2 hot plates and electric companion and dishwasher. The adjoining breakfast room has direct access to the rear terrace and gardens.

### GARDENS AND GROUNDS

- ❖ The White House is approached via an electrically-operated 5-bar gate and a sweeping gravelled driveway with extensive parking.
- ❖ Attractive landscaped gardens with mature trees surround the house. The front garden has an ornamental pond, lawns and attractive rockery with spring bulbs, a variety of alpines and flowering shrubs.

- ❖ To the rear of the property is an extensive paved terrace with brick barbeque area and steps to the lawn interspersed by well stocked beds and borders, a weeping willow and mature ash, beech and oak trees.

### SWIMMING POOL

- ❖ The White House has a large heated swimming pool with an electric cover.
- ❖ The south facing pool area has a paved surround with plenty of socialising and relaxing space and has the added benefit of a summer house and a separate pool house.

### OUTBUILDINGS

- ❖ A double garage with automatic doors
- ❖ Tandem garage.
- ❖ Summerhouse.
- ❖ Pool house.
- ❖ Log Store.











### **THE AREA**

The White House occupies an attractive setting adjoining farmland, yet is within easy reach of local amenities. The charming village of Hadlow is only 5 minutes' drive away and offers everything you might need on a daily basis including a farm shop, bakery, chemist and post office. The market town of Tonbridge is 2.5 miles from the property and has two large supermarkets, other high street retailers and a multitude of pubs and restaurants. The vibrant spa town of Tunbridge Wells is just over 7 miles distant and the impressive, award-winning Bluewater Shopping Centre is within 40 minutes' drive. If you want to escape to the lovely south coast, then the beaches can be reached within an hour.

### **TRANSPORT LINKS**

The White House is only 2.5 miles from Tonbridge Mainline Rail Station, which offers fast and frequent services to London Bridge, London Cannon Street, London Waterloo and London Charing Cross. The station offers daily, weekly, monthly or annual parking options.

The national motorway network is easily accessible via the A21, which is only 3 miles distant, offering links to Gatwick and Heathrow airports. Ashford and Ebbsfleet International stations can both be reached within 45 minutes and offer high speed services to London and the Continent, and the Channel Tunnel is approximately an hour's drive from the property.

### **EDUCATION**

The property is conveniently located for many first-rate state primary and secondary schools in the locality, including those within the sought-after Kent Grammar system at secondary level.

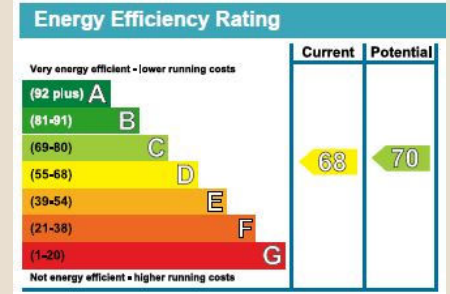
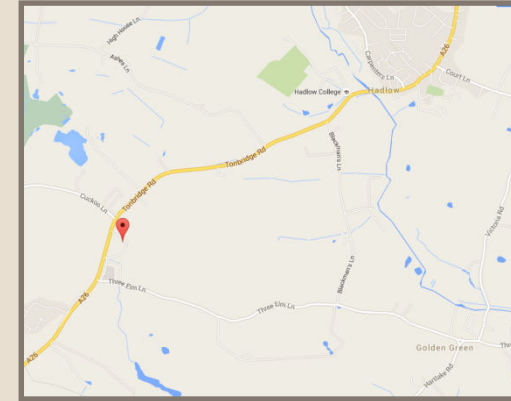
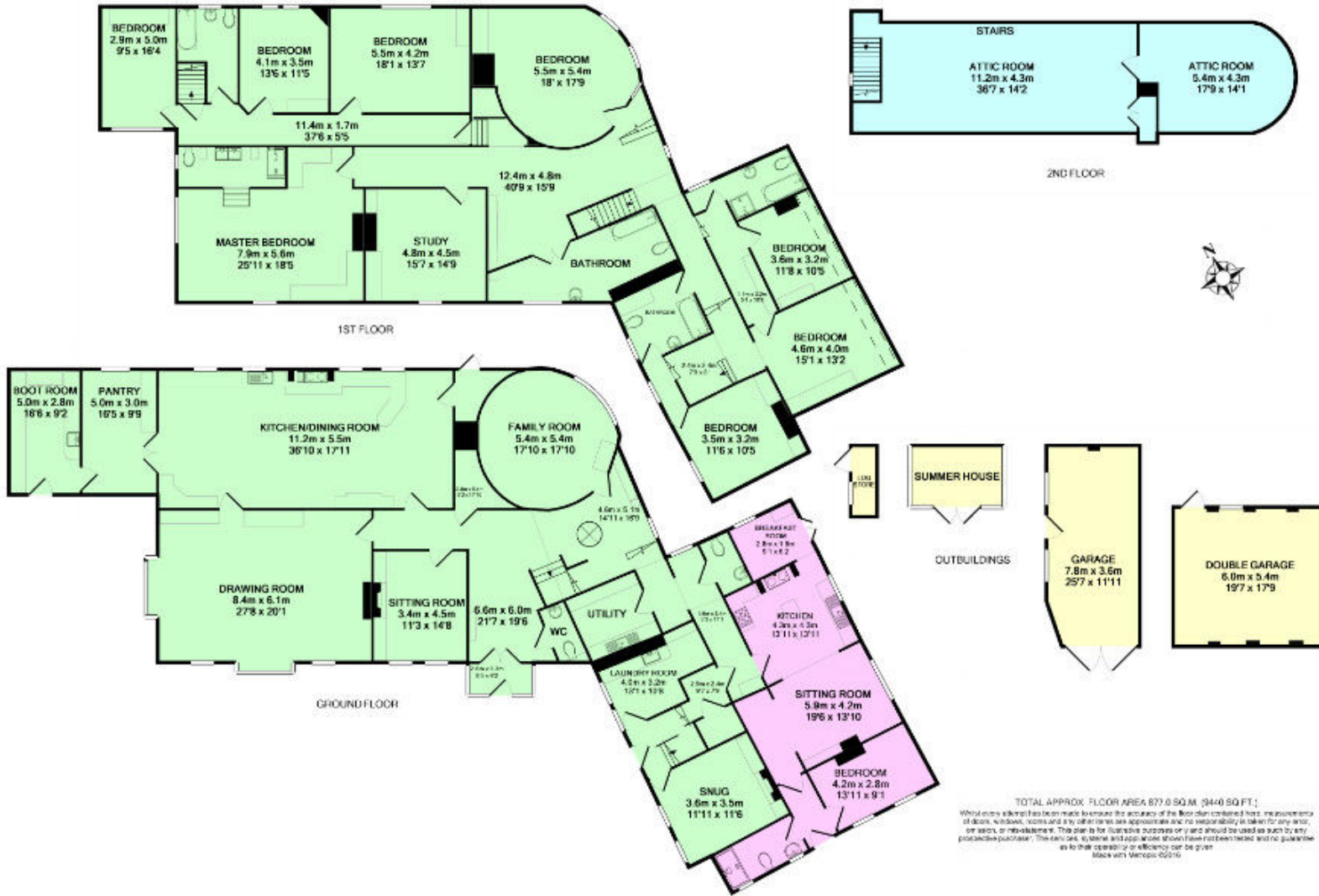
Within the independent sector, Sutton Valence, The Schools at Somerhill, Hilden Grange, Hilden Oaks, Tonbridge School and Sevenoaks School all offer excellent Preparatory and Secondary schooling options and are easily accessible.

### **LEISURE FACILITIES**

There are several leisure options in the area. Tonbridge School Leisure Centre, Poulton Wood Golf Club and squash courts are both within 5 minutes' drive. Tonbridge also offers an indoor and outdoor swimming complex, the Angel Leisure Centre and a range of sporting clubs including rugby, football, baseball, swimming and sailing. The prestigious Nizels Golf and Fitness Centre in Hildenborough can be reached within 15 minutes and offers an array of facilities.

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