



Wicken, Buckinghamshire, MK19 6BH

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**The Folly
Wicken
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£950,000

Nestled discreetly behind private hedging, this detached cottage dates back to the 18th Century, and sits serenely, where it has for hundreds of years, on a picturesque country lane surrounded on all sides by rolling fields and far reaching views.

This part stone and limewash rendered property, occupies grounds of approximately 1.4 acres, which includes a paddock of just over an acre. Originally two farm-worker cottages, extensions have been added over the years creating this unique equestrian, countryside home.

The accommodation comprises, entrance porch, sun room/entrance hall, ground floor shower room, sitting room with study area, dining room, kitchen/breakfast room, plus a utility room, boiler room and laundry room. The first floor offers four double bedrooms, with a six piece en-suite bathroom to the principal bedroom, and a family shower room.

To the exterior, the property is entered via double gates, a gravelled driveway sweeps into the plot, allowing parking for multiple vehicles. There are countryside views to all four aspects, a walled, formal garden with pond, rockeries and seating areas affording complete privacy. In addition to the cottage there is a separate stone building with two garages, loft space and two adjoining stone stables with potential for conversion (Subject to planning consent) A separate wooden stable block with its own yard and adjacent hard standing, has power, light and water connected. With miles of stunning country walks and bridleways right from the door, and London just 33 minutes away via Milton Keynes Central Station (12 mins drive), this lovely property offers exceptional country living in a truly beautiful location. This property has to be viewed to be appreciated.

- DETACHED COTTAGE
- STONE OUTBUILDINGS
- 1.4 ACRES INC PADDOCK
- 360 degrees COUNTRY VIEWS
- EXTENSIVE NETWORK WALKS AND BRIDLEWAYS FROM THE DOOR
- 33 MINUTES BY TRAIN TO CENTRAL LONDON (CMK TRAIN STATION)





Accommodation

The property is entered via a part glazed front door into the entrance porch, a further door leads into the sun room/entrance hall. From here you can access the ground floor shower room, which comprises, a low level w.c., wash hand basin and a walk-in shower. The characterful sitting room has original beams and an inglenook fireplace with a multi fuel burner set on a brick hearth. This large living space has been designed into three areas. The cosy sitting room around the fireplace, the more formal lounge entertaining area, and the raised study area which has French doors leading out on to the formal gardens. The dual aspect dining room gives access to the first floor landing via the staircase, and a door leads into the utility room with the boiler room, and laundry room beyond. Steps lead up to the kitchen/breakfast room.

The kitchen/breakfast room has been re-modeled and re-fitted. There is a range of fitted units and wooden work surfaces incorporating an integral drainer and a Belfast sink. The central island has a marble surface with additional storage units. Built-in appliances include a dishwasher, microwave, fridge/freezer and an under-counter wine/drinks fridge. The 'Stoves' Aga with a seven ring gas hob, three ovens, a grill and a plate warmer complete the appliances. Doors also give access to the outside to both the front and rear.

Stairs rise to the first floor landing from the ground floor dining room. This floor offers four double bedrooms, the principal bedroom has a vaulted ceiling, a large recessed wardrobe space plus a six piece en-suite bathroom. The three further bedrooms are served by a family shower room.

Exterior

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Cost/ Charges/ Property Information

Tenure: Freehold.

Local Authority: West Northants Council.

Council Tax Band: F.

Services - Electricity and water are connected. Drainage is via a septic tank

The heating system is oil fired to radiators.

Location - Wicken

The property sits just a mile from Wicken; a quintessential Buckinghamshire stone and thatch village with pretty cottages, a church, village pub, parish hall, tennis courts, sports field and active cricket club. Deanshanger some 1.2 miles away and provides local facilities in the form of Co-op, newsagents, chemist, fish n chip shop and chinese takeaway with more extensive shopping and leisure facilities available in the former market towns of Stony Stratford, Towcester, Buckingham and Milton Keynes.

Whittlebury Hall is a 5 mile drive and offers hotel and spa facilities along with an 36 hole golf complex. For the golfing

enthusiast, slight further afield are the three top 100 championship golf courses at Woburn which is a 16 mile drive. For the walking, cycling, riding and equine enthusiasts there is an extensive network of bridleways, footpaths and country lanes on the doorstep.

State schooling is available locally with a primary school at Wicken and progressing to Elizabeth Woodville Academy school in Deanshanger. For those looking at private schooling there are preparatory schools in the locality including Winchester House at Brackley, Swanbourne House at Swanbourne and Ackley Wood at Wicken, while public schools can be found close by at Stowe and Rugby with Oundle, Uppingham and Oakham further afield.

Whilst enjoying a rural location the property is accessible to the A5 and A43 which links to the M1 and the M40. The property is within easy reach of both Luton International and East Midlands airport with Heathrow and Birmingham are accessible in under 90 minutes. Milton Keynes is on the west coast main line with connectivity to London Euston in 33 minutes.

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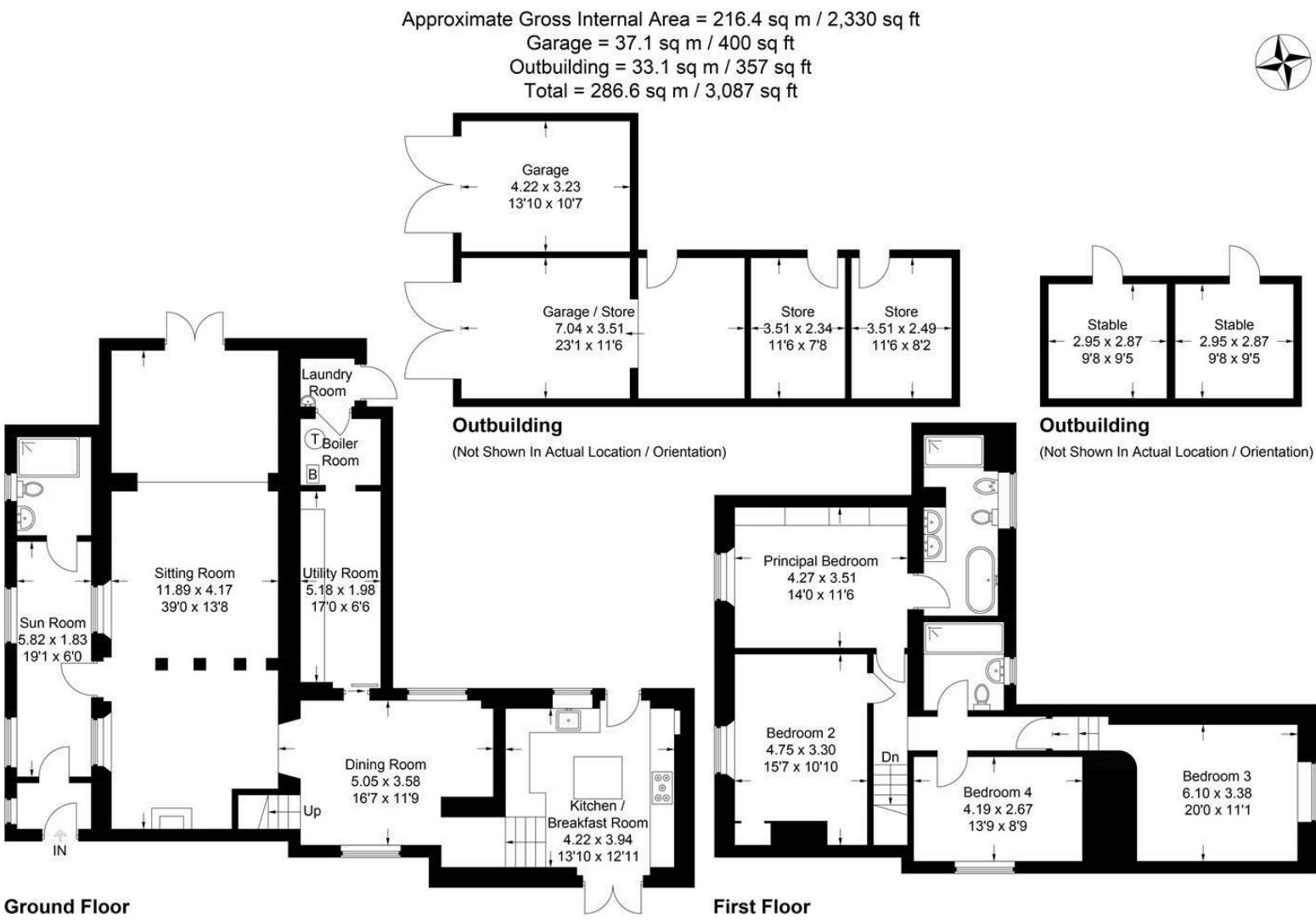
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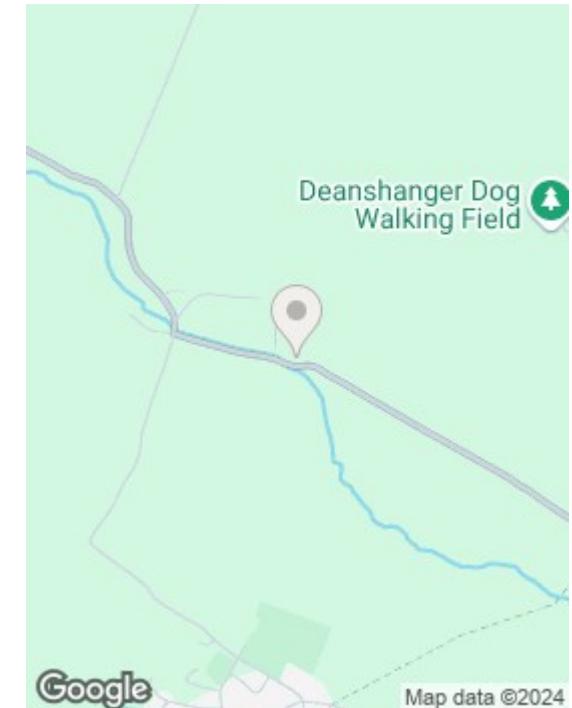
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Very energy efficient - lower running costs			
(92 plus)	A		
(81-91)	B		
(69-80)	C		
(55-68)	D		
(39-54)	E		
(21-38)	F		
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Not energy efficient - higher running costs			
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