



Spike Island
Baconsthorpe Road | Hempstead | Norfolk | NR25 6LD

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In the sought-after and popular village of Hempstead approximately two and a half miles from the thriving market town of Holt, this beautifully presented detached property is surrounded by the most stunning countryside.

Set back from the road and accessed through bespoke gates at the end of a forty-yard drive, privacy is guaranteed.

This sumptuous home boasts four bedrooms with a spacious kitchen/breakfast room with an adjacent garden room offering fabulous views of the garden.

Outside there is a garage and also a newly built cart shed and a shingled driveway with off-street parking for two vehicles.



KEY FEATURES

- A Superb Detached Chalet Bungalow in the Village of Hempstead near Holt
- Four Bedrooms; Three Bath/Shower Rooms
- The Principal Bedroom benefits from an En-Suite Bathroom and a Dressing Room
- Kitchen/Breakfast Room and Living Area with Adjoining Garden Room/Dining Room
- Generous Sitting Room with Adjoining Music Room
- Landscaped Gardens with Summerhouse and Patio
- Large Gravel Driveway with Integral Garage and Detached Carport
- The Accommodation extends to 2,493sq.ft
- Energy Rating: E

On first entering Spike Island, one is greeted by the grand and elegant entrance hall, a fitting entrance to the property and one that makes a distinctive statement. Within this hall is a staircase leading to the first floor, access into the integrated garage, and the entrance to the wonderful kitchen/breakfast room which is at the heart of this house.

A Slice of Elegance

The kitchen features an island, integrated appliances, spacious pantry-style cupboards and granite worktops. "The very generous kitchen and garden room are amongst our favourite rooms," the present owners said. "Dining in the garden room is an extremely enjoyable experience. Surrounded by the many oak windows, you can look out onto the attractive garden which we have carefully planted to ensure it is in bloom for much of the year. And, for us, the jewel in the crown is the very generously proportioned sitting room which leads into the music room – it is the most handsome and elegant room." The combination of the music room with the sitting room makes for a warm and relaxing living area with the benefit of a wall-mounted electric fire during the colder months. Stepping from the kitchen/breakfast room, an inner hall leads to a double bedroom and a bathroom, and at the end of this hall the gorgeous principal bedroom suite can be found, replete with its own dressing room and a generously sized bathroom.





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Exploring Upstairs

Accommodation on the floor above comprises two additional double bedrooms and a family bathroom. "We have had these rooms completely redecorated with neutral colours," the owners said.

The Outside

"As soon as we moved in, we ordered bespoke gates which are approximately 18ft wide and made of sapele hardwood. They have given us complete privacy and security – it means we are totally enclosed and as high security as you could have," the owners explained. "We also ordered the construction of a cart shed which means we have the attached garage, the adjacent cart shed and two parking spaces in our enclosed driveway." The property is surrounded by established landscaped gardens on all sides that extend to just under 0.3 of an acre (stms) with boundaries that provide a wonderfully private environment. The shaped lawns are bordered by colourful beds and a selection of mature shrubs and trees. "We keep a plant diary and have carefully selected over thirty varieties of plants that are in bloom from January to September, so ensuring that the front garden is attractive." Outside there is also a large terraced area perfect for al fresco dining and entertaining, and a wonderful timber-built summer house.

Historic Hempstead

Surrounded by wonderful countryside, Hempstead is recorded in the Domesday Book as being an outlier of the large manor of Holt. The name itself is likely to be derived from 'the homestead', although there is evidence to suggest that it means 'place where hemp is grown' from the Old English. In the fifteenth century, the Stapleton family held the manor of Hempstead which passed to the Calthorpe family until the 1570s. The local church, All Saints, is unusual in that the apse has a thatched roof while the main part of the roof is pantile. It has been written that as one approaches the church from the east, the first sight of its thatched round apse is as pretty as if Hansel and Gretel were imprisoned inside. The parish of Hempstead holds a church fête every summer and is currently the most successful in the benefice of Matlaske, a benefice containing ten parishes under the jurisdiction of the diocese of Norwich. One is spoilt for peaceful walks in the area, and less than a mile away Baconsthorpe Castle can be found, an English heritage site and the remains of a fifteenth century manor house once owned by the Heydon family, a prominent Norfolk dynasty, for several generations.





























INFORMATION



On The Doorstep

“For anyone who knows and lives in North Norfolk, it speaks for itself,” the owners said when discussing the locale. “We are 2.5 miles from Holt town which is an award-winning and thriving historic country town, and one road – Hempstead Road – takes us directly there. For those that favour the coast, we are just 6 miles from Sheringham and 10 miles from the seaside town of Cromer.” These are short seventeen-minute and twenty-minute drives, and Weybourne is a similar distance and popular for its walks and the Dun Cow public house.

How Far Is It To?

The cathedral city of Norwich is approximately 23 miles by car, where there is a large array of cultural and leisure facilities, including Chantry Place shopping centre, bars, restaurants, theatres and cinemas. It is also home to the University of East Anglia. Norwich has a main line station to London Liverpool Street with an approximate journey time of 1 hour 50 mins, also providing commuter trains to Cambridge. There is an international airport to the north side of the city which offers a range of destinations via Schiphol Airport plus direct flights internally and to European destinations. There is also access to most major trunk roads. From the A11 Newmarket Road, Cambridge lies approximately 60 miles to the south-west and Newmarket 47 miles.

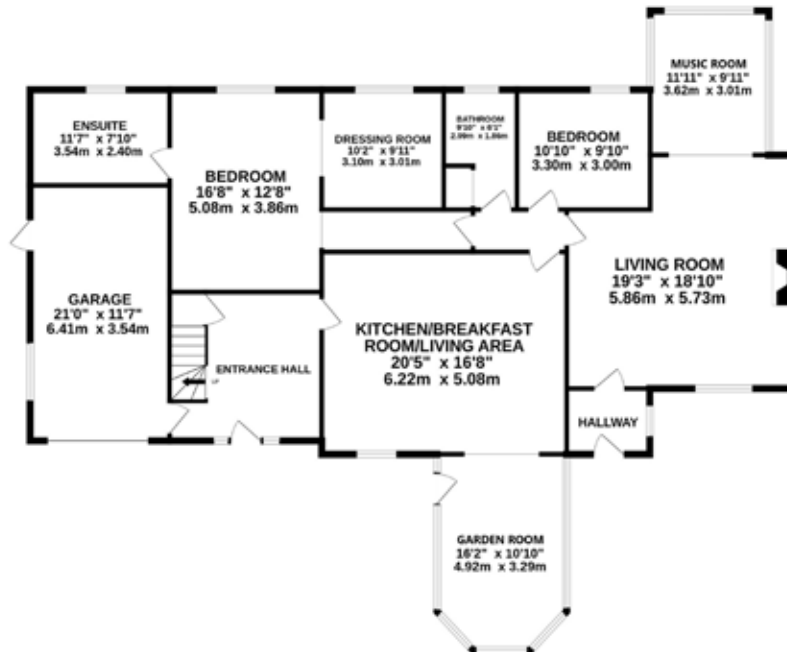
Directions

Leave our office in Fakenham and head out on the A148 towards Cromer and Holt. At the roundabout take the 1st exit and stay on the A148. Turn right onto Hempstead road and the property will be found on the right hand side.

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North Norfolk District Council - Council Tax Band D
Freehold

GROUND FLOOR
2027 sq.ft. (188.3 sq.m.) approx.

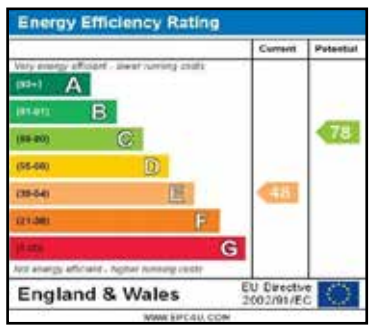


1ST FLOOR
467 sq.ft. (43.3 sq.m.) approx.



TOTAL FLOOR AREA: 2493 sq.ft. (231.6 sq.m.) approx.

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