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## Offers in excess of £500,000

An exceptional opportunity awaits with this substantial fourbedroom country bungalow, positioned within a magnificent plot spanning approximately 1.2 acres and surrounded by the serene ambiance of the Wyre Forest Nature Reserve.

### **Key features**

- Best offers invited
- Substantial country bungalow
- Magnificent 1.2 acre plot
- Outstanding setting within the Wyre Forest
- Four double bedrooms
- Large cloakroom
- Detached double garage
- Mature wraparound gardens
- Wooden stable/barn
- Gated driveway parking

Freehold / 1,595 sq ft





This presents an enticing chance to acquire a spacious country bungalow nestled within mature grounds of around 1.2 acres, directly adjoining the Wyre Forest Nature Reserve. The property, exuding traditional charm with its original section believed to date back to the inter-war period, awaits a discerning buyer. Requiring general updating, this residence offers a compelling prospect for renovation and customisation.

Previous extensions have significantly enlarged the original living space, comprising four well-proportioned bedrooms, a family bathroom, a large cloakroom, two living rooms and a sizeable dining kitchen. The interior layout is thoughtfully arranged, with living areas at one end and bedrooms and a bathroom at the other. The adjacency of the kitchen to one of the living rooms facilitates the creation of a large open-plan contemporary space, if desired.

Positioned centrally within the plot, the property enjoys a tranquil setting, surrounded by well-stocked mature gardens and generous grassed areas. The expansive grounds are ideal for gardening and offer space for animals, with an extensive wooden barn located at the rear.

#### The Entrance

Accessed from Dowles Road via a long gated driveway, leading to a parking area beside the bungalow and a double garage. The detached garage, accessed through double wooden doors, is equipped with power, lighting and overhead storage. The bungalow is entered through a side porch into an L-shaped hallway, which provides access to the bedrooms at one end and living areas at the other.









#### The Sitting Room

The spacious bay-fronted sitting room offers delightful views of the gardens and surrounding woodland and is enhanced by an open fireplace with a brick surround, decorative ceiling beams and wall lights. A doorway leads to the lounge at the front of the bungalow.

#### The Dining Room

Adjacent to the living room, the dining room is filled with natural light streaming through a large picture window. Features include a brick fireplace with a wood-burning stove and a sliding glass serving hatch which connects to the kitchen. There is an opportunity here to merge this room with the kitchen for a seamless open-plan layout.









#### The Kitchen

Bright and spacious, the kitchen includes wall and base units and work surfaces incorporating an inset sink drainer, a double oven and ample space for appliances. A large picture window looks out onto the gardens, which are accessed through a substantial rear porch.







### The Bedrooms

The four bedrooms offer ample space for double beds. Two bedrooms feature washbasins, while another includes a shower area that could be converted into an en-suite.





#### The Bathroom

A spacious family bathroom with a corner shower cubicle, panelled bath, tiled walls, pedestal washbasin and low-level WC completes the accommodation.



#### The Gardens and Grounds

The grounds of this property are truly remarkable, offering a tranquil and idyllic retreat spanning approximately 1.2 acres and encircling the bungalow from all sides. Seamlessly blending with the mature woodland beyond, the gardens provide a captivating backdrop that evolves with the seasons.







Bursting with diversity, the gardens boast a rich array of mature plants, trees and flowering perennials including Camellias, Snowdrops, Yuccas, many Rose bushes and a wide variety of flowering bulbs and shrubs. Generous lawns grace the front, sides and rear of the property, complemented by a secluded patio and summerhouse. A gate to the rear boundary provides direct access to the Wyre Forest, with multiple bridleways being just yards away, perfect for leisurely walks, cycling and horse riding.



Tucked away in one corner at the rear of the plot, a substantial wooden barn/stable offers versatile space suitable for storage or animal shelter. Adjacent to the stable, you will find a large wooden shed providing ample storage and two greenhouses to suit the keen gardener.



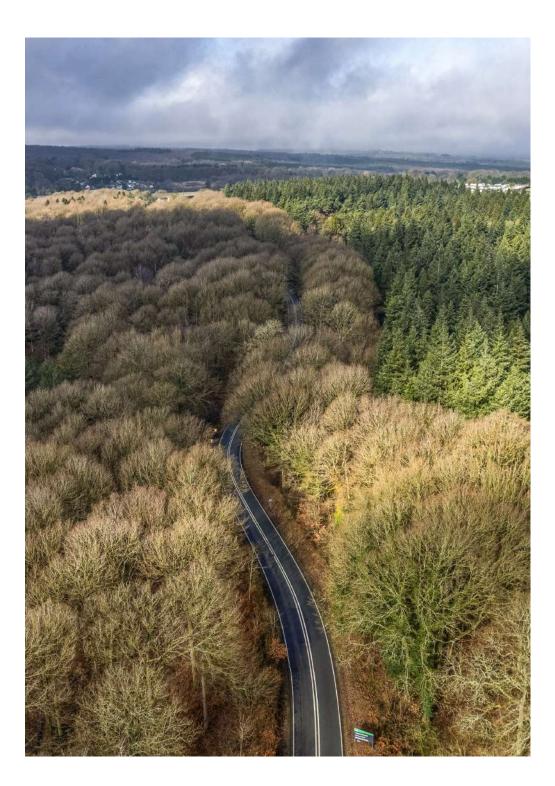
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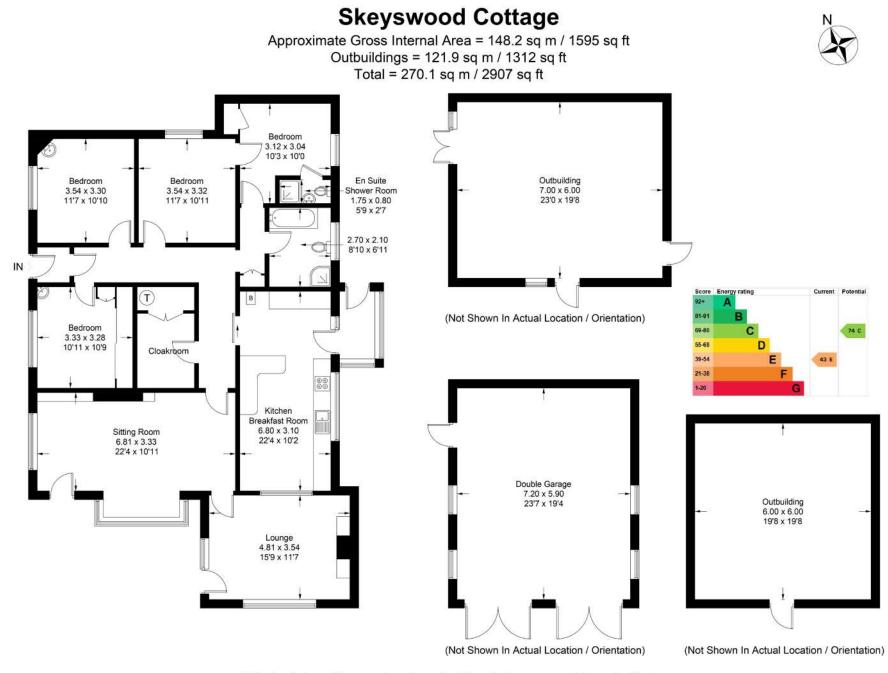
Mains electricity, water and drainage. Oil central heating. Broadband is available at this property. **Council Tax** - Band E

#### Location

Skeyswood Cottage enjoys an idyllic rural location on the outskirts of Bewdley, appealing to nature enthusiasts and those seeking a peaceful countryside retreat. Nestled within expansive mature grounds adjoining the Wyre Forest Nature Reserve, England's largest protected woodland, the bungalow is perfectly situated. Immediate access to this extensive woodland spanning over 6,000 acres is via a gate from the property's grounds, offering outdoor enthusiasts countless trails leading to neighbouring Arley or down to Bewdley town along the river Severn or Dowles Brook. Despite its rural ambiance, this location is well-connected, with Bewdley town just 1.8 miles away, easily reachable on foot via the forest or along the river. Nearby villages such as Button Oak and Arley feature charming country pubs, enhancing the local atmosphere. Arley is also home to the picturesque Severn Valley Steam Railway, a delightful stopover on the journey from Bewdley to Bridgnorth.

The historic riverside town of Bewdley itself offers a vibrant destination with a charming waterfront and winding period streets lined with pubs, restaurants and shops. Conveniently located amenities such as a number of wellknown popular supermarkets cater to everyday needs, while numerous sporting clubs including tennis, rowing, cricket, golf and bowling add to the town's appeal.





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