



The Thatched Cottage  
Chignal Road | Chignal Smealey | Chelmsford | Essex | CM1 4SZ



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A delightful detached character cottage (un-Listed), full of charm and individuality, with a detached outbuilding to the front and a further purpose-built annex set within beautifully landscaped gardens. The Thatched Cottage enjoys a highly desirable semi-rural setting in Chignal Smealey, surrounded by, and overlooking, open countryside creating a perfect balance of rural tranquillity and convenience. The location provides easy access to Chelmsford City Centre, offering mainline rail services into central London and also excellent road connections.

Step inside to discover stylish interiors that perfectly blend character with a high standard of décor throughout. Period features include feature fireplaces with woodburning stoves, wood floors and exposed beams—most notably a stunning vaulted ceiling in the central family/dining room.

The main reception room, an impressive 23ft x 20ft, flows seamlessly into the family/dining room, from which a ground floor bathroom is accessed. A light-filled garden room with an atrium roof and bi-folding doors creates the ideal entertaining space, complete with a bar area at one end and direct access to a sun terrace, perfect for summer gatherings or peaceful relaxation. The kitchen is fitted with traditional Shaker-style units, including a feature display dresser, breakfast bar, fitted range cooker, built-in ovens, generous storage and a tiled floor—blending practicality with timeless design.

Upstairs, the principal bedroom benefits from a walk-in shower room and built-in wardrobes. The second and third bedrooms also feature fitted wardrobes, ensuring ample storage throughout. In addition, there is access to a versatile loft room, currently arranged as a home office.

























Outside, the intricate and beautifully maintained thatched roof continues over the detached outbuilding, which incorporates a kitchenette and separate bathroom—ideal for guest accommodation or independent living.

A gated entrance opens onto a gravelled driveway, with meandering pathways leading through the landscaped gardens. These include lawns, an ornamental pond and a variety of seating areas from which to enjoy the tranquil views over open countryside.

At the far end of the garden lies a purpose-built detached annexe, fully serviced and thoughtfully designed with two bedroom areas, a shower room and open-plan living/kitchen space.

The location is perfect for semi-rural family life with the surrounding open countryside offering leisurely walks, with Hylands Park within easy reach, Writtle Village and Chelmsford city centre within just a 5-10 minute drive, with its multitude of shops, restaurants and recreational facilities including rail services and renowned Grammar Schools and private schools. Felsted School is just under 10 miles distant. Road links offer easy access to the A12 which in turns leads to the M11 and M25.















TOTAL FLOOR AREA: 2775.5 sq.ft. (257.9 sq.m.) approx.

Council Tax Band: G  
Tenure: Freehold

Score	Energy rating	Current	Potential
92+	A		
81-91	B		
69-80	C		
55-68	D		57 D
39-54	E	54 E	
21-38	F		
1-20	G		



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