## Stock Hill Stud Langham • Dorset

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Langham Lane, Gillingham, Dorset, SP8 5NT

Gillingham 1.5 miles • Salisbury 26 miles Bath and Poole 31 miles London Waterloo train 2 hours (Distances & times approximate)

## An outstanding equestrian property in a beautiful parkland setting

- Tranquil North Dorset countryside near the Somerset
  and Wiltshire border
  - An area with a rich equine heritage
  - A substantial 5-bedroom principal residence
  - Interior fitted out to a high specification
    - Integral groom's annexe
    - Sweeping tree lined entrance drive
- Excellent range of outbuildings suitable for a variety of uses
- Currently 18 stables, 2 barns, horse walker and an exercise ring
  - 12 paddocks enclosed in post and rail fencing and mature hedgerows
  - Productive and free draining loam soil over limestone bedrock with a small stream

## In total 26.50 acres (10.72 hectares)

For Sale by Private Treaty as a whole Freehold with Vacant Possession on completion













## Introduction

Stock Hill Stud is an outstanding equestrian property located in a pocket of North Dorset which enjoys free draining yet productive loam over limestone soil which is perfectly suited to equestrian use. Stock Hill shared close connections with the National Stud in the 1980's and 90's when it was based at Sandley 2 miles away.

Under the current owner the house interior has been fitted out to a high specification and further equestrian facilities have been added and upgraded which now serve to provide an excellently equipped property ready for immediate residential or commercial equestrian use.

## Situation

Stock Hill Stud is situated in glorious Dorset open countryside close to the border of Somerset and Wiltshire. Situated off Langham Lane, a quiet country road betwixt the hamlet of Langham and Gillingham town, the property benefits from a rural location yet is close to local amenities.

Gillingham offers a range of facilities including a Waitrose supermarket, leisure centre and mainline railway station (Waterloo 2 hours). The A303 10 minutes away provides excellent east-west road links. The area is renowned for its schooling with Port Regis, Sandroyd, Bruton and Sherborne Schools all within 30 minutes and the highly regarded Gillingham secondary state school under 2 miles away.

Whilst no public rights of way cross the property, there is a good network of quiet country lanes and bridleways on the doorstep for riding, walking and cycling.

## The House

Sitting in the centre of the property, the south facing house is surrounded by lawned gardens and a gravelled courtyard. The property was constructed in 1984 of reconstituted stone elevations under a tiled roof, the windows are high quality stone mullion surrounds with inset double glazing and the summer-room has a slate roof.

The extremely generously proportioned rooms offer

good ceiling heights and provide a total of 4,610 sq.ft of accommodation which has been fitted out to a high specification. Interior finishes include a mix of stone slate and oak panel flooring, floor to ceiling stone tiled walls and ceiling spotlights in many ground floor rooms. The living room enjoys a brick surround fireplace with inset woodburner whilst the garden room is a particular feature enjoying a triple aspect looking out over the lawn to the front paddocks, a tear drop woodburner and vent control system. The kitchen has fully fitted solid timber cupboards with granite worksurfaces, integral Neff ovens, induction hob and dishwasher. On the first floor a noteworthy wide double landing gives access to the large bedrooms which extend over the flat and double garage.

## Please see floorplan for accommodation and measurements.

## The Flat

Forming the north-wing ground floor is a self-contained 1-bedroom annexe currently used as groom's accommodation. Beyond this is a double garage.

## **House Grounds**

In front of the house is a lawned garden and patio, a large greenhouse and a number of specimen mature broadleaf and conifer trees.

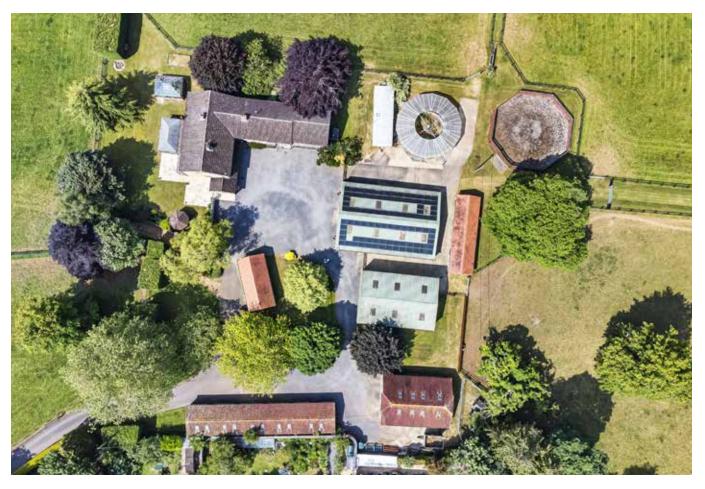
## The Approach

A tree lined tarmac surfaced drive leads to the heart of the property where is splits in two to a gravelled courtyard for the house and stables and a second part to the other outbuildings. **Note:** The first part of the drive from the highway is shared with The Coach House next door.

## The Stables and Barns

Six outbuildings provide for 18 purpose-built stables in total, a general fodder and machinery barn and a garage/workshop with loft over. See floor plan. The outbuildings combined cover over 7,600 sq.ft (700 sq.m).

All outbuildings were erected to the highest specification for their purpose. Some have attractive stone cladding elevations with tiled roofs and many of the stables are  $15' \times 14'$  boxes.







## House = 4610 sq ft / 428.2 sq m Garage = 382 sq ft / 35.4 sq m

For identification only - Not to scale

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The stabling is easily monitored from the house. There is also a covered horse walker, an octagonal exercise ring and an old mobile home included.

## The Land

The land is a particular feature. Predominantly level with some gentle slopes down to Stock Water, the land retains the parkland character of the original Stock Hill Estate. The soil is a fertile and free draining loam over Corallian limestone. Divided into 12 paddocks by well-maintained post and rail fencing and tall hedgerows there are also a number of mature broadleaf parkland trees dotted around providing good shade for stock. There are also 2 timber field shelters. Currently all in permanent pasture managed for horses the land is equally suited to livestock, arable and horticultural uses. At the northern end of the land is a stream, a water meadow and a gate onto a bridleway known as Stock Lane.

## Planning

Consent was granted in 1983, application no. 2/1983/0472 to erect a dwelling and self-contained annexe. subject to a condition "the occupation of the dwelling shall be by a person solely or mainly working, or last working, in the locality in agriculture or forestry". In 1992, application no. 2/1992/0605, the condition was varied to include "or engaged in the supervision of horses".

## Services

Mains water and electricity to the house and buildings. Oil fired central heating. Private drainage. Solar panels on the stable barn roof supply the property. Water troughs to all paddocks.

## Local Authority Rates

Dorset Council.

Council Tax Bands: House - G. Annexe - A.

The Stud Farm is assessed for Business Rates. Rateable Value: £1,700. Small Business Rate Relief may reduce the amount payable to £0.



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HAY / EQUIPMENT BARN

45' (13.72) x 30' (9.14)

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OFFICE

27' (8.23)

x 12'10 (3.91)

GARAGE / BARN

26'4(8.02) x 26' (7.93)





**OUTBUILDING 6** 

## Designations

No public rights of way. The property is not in a National Landscape Area (AONB), Nitrate Vulnerable Zone or SSSI.

## **Machinery and Equipment**

The machinery and equipment on the property is available by negotiation. We reserve the right to hold a dispersal sale on the property post completion.

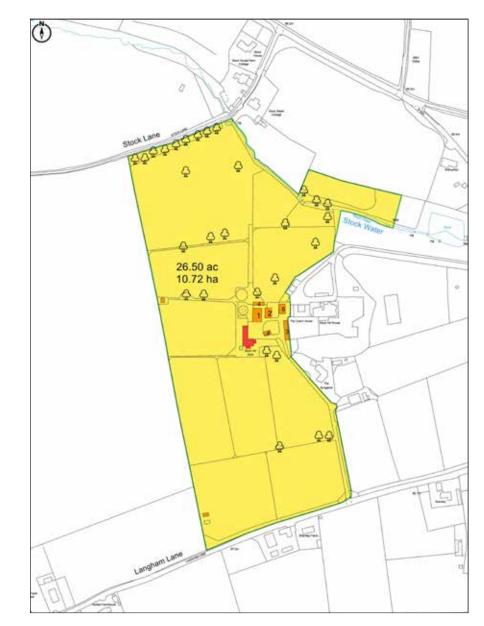
## Directions

The entrance is off Langham Lane west of Gillingham signed Buckhorn Weston. **What3words** ///pats.unicorns.shrubbery

## Viewing

Strictly by appointment with the sole agents Symonds and Sampson LLP. Further information, if required, is available from Andrew Tuffin or Will Cairns on 01258 472244.

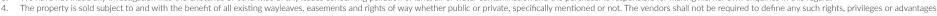




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