

7 Becketts Wood Upstreet | Canterbury | CT3 4DQ





Step inside 7 Becketts Wood

Location is always the key to any property and this impressive and beautifully maintained detached residence, with a stunning indoor swimming pool complex, has it all when it comes to position. Tucked away on very generous grounds, surrounded by mature trees and with views across to the Stodmarsh National Nature Reserve, it is approached via a long private drive at the end of an exclusive enclave of seven large, detached properties built in 1997 in the Upstreet Conservation Area.

Flanked by trees and shrub borders, the gravel frontage provides off road parking for a number of vehicles and leads to the pitched roof double garage with EV charger. With its interesting roof lines, cream and black design feature, dark wood window frames, covered walkway and steps down to the wood front door, the house has delightful external appeal. This continues as you cross the threshold that includes classical features such as dado rails and coved ceilings.

Walking through the arched entrance to the entrance hall you can begin to appreciate the spaciousness of the reception rooms. There is an elegant, dual aspect lounge with a charming brick chimney breast and fireplace with an open fire to enjoy on those cool winter evenings. It has French doors to the rear terrace and glazed double doors to the good sized dining room where you can entertain at least 10 to 12 family and friends.

The large, recently redecorated, dual aspect drawing room also has French doors to the terrace, while the spacious new kitchen includes an island and a plethora of stylish fitted units housing an induction hob and double ovens as well as a variety of stand-alone appliances and room for a large fridge/freezer. There is an adjacent breakfast area and a renovated utility room with laundry facilities and a door to the front garden. Also on the ground floor is a study, cloakroom and understairs storage cupboard.

Off the galleried landing on the first floor there is access to the fully boarded attic, a family bathroom with a bath and separate shower running from a new, high-pressure system, as well as five double bedrooms. These include a guest room with an en suite shower and the delightful first bedroom with a raft of attractive fitted bedroom furniture and wardrobes as well as a large en suite bathroom with a bath and shower.

Above the double garage and accessed via external wood steps is a delightful studio with a vaulted ceiling that would make an ideal office/games room or could become another bedroom if required.

There is a private patio that leads down to the rear garden and the awe-inspiring heated swimming pool complex, which is absolutely stunning. There is a very high arched pine clad ceiling with a skylight, impressive buttresses and tri-folding doors on two sides that, when open, create the impression of a partially outdoor pool that is wonderful on a warm summer's day. It also includes a cloakroom and shower/ changing room, a dehumidifier and separate access to the front terrace.

The creation of the gorgeous rear south facing garden has been a labour of love by the owners. It is surrounded by mature trees and includes a vast terrace that spans the width of the property including in front of the swimming pool. There is a large lawn that is interspersed with well-established flower and shrub beds while the orchard area includes apple, pear, cherry, quince, plum and fig trees. A decked terrace overlooks a wildlife pond and the summerhouse has its own patio so there are a variety of places to sit and enjoy the sunshine at any time of the day. A wall provides a partially hidden area with a weeping willow tree and where you will find a greenhouse and a large garden shed.









Seller Insight

We bought this house six years ago as we thought the position was ideal. It is quiet and peaceful with only private land behind us. It is very safe and secure for children and pets and the spacious property, with all the facilities available, is a superb home for entertaining. We can have music and barbecues in the garden and not disturb anyone while the swimming pool is amazing and, having the door open between the drawing room and dining room, makes it an ideal overall space for indoor entertaining. However we feel it is time for us to downsize and pass the baton on to new owners.

During our time here we worked hard to create the charming garden, along with replacing the windows and updating the interior including the brand new fitted kitchen. We also completely replaced and updated the power and heating system with 14 solar panels, a battery system and three high-efficiency heat pumps to power and heat the entire property, plus an EV charger on the drive, with very minimal running costs. Plans have also been passed for the creation of a front porch if a new owner wishes to take things further.

Upstreet includes a village shop, post office and a pub and there are other delightful villages nearby. There are wonderful walks along the river to the Stodmarsh Nature Reserve which is a site of Special Scientific Interest and you can enjoy a meal or a picnic at the Grove Ferry Inn. There is a bus stop at the end of the road that can take you to Canterbury within 10 minutes and Sturry station for the fast train to St Pancras is only a short drive.

For anyone who enjoys outdoor pursuits there are wonderful places to go fishing on the river, while the nearby Westbere Lakes offers sailing opportunities as well as fishing and clay pigeon shooting takes place at the Greenfields Shooting grounds in Sturry. The city of Canterbury with its UNESCO historic buildings, high street stores, individual shops, bars and restaurants is only about six miles.*

* These comments are the personal views of the current owner and are included as an insight into life at the property. They have not been independently verified, should not be relied on without verification and do not necessarily reflect the views of the agent.













Travel Information

By Road Sturry Station Canterbury West Station Channel Tunnel Dover Docks Gatwick Airport Charing Cross

By Train from Sturry High-Speed St Pancras Charing Cross Victoria Ashford International

By Train from Canterbury West High-Speed St. Pancras

Leisure Clubs & Facilities

Sturry Cricket Club Greenfields Shooting Westbere Frostbite Sailing Assoc Mid Kent Fisheries (Westbere) Polo Farm Sports Club Canterbury Golf Club Kingsmead Leisure Centre

4.0 miles 6.6 miles 23.2 miles 20.8 miles 84.0 miles

70.4 miles 1hr 14mins

1hr 52mins 1hr 40mins 34 mins

54 mins

01227 713894 01227 713222 01227 830272 01227 730668 01227 769159 01227 453532 01227 769818

Healthcare Island Health Kent and Canterbury Hospital Chaucer Hospital

Education

Primary Schools: Chislet Primary Kings Junior Kent College Junior St Edmunds Junior

Secondary Schools:

Simon Langton Girls Grammar Simon Langton Boys Grammar Barton Grammar King's School, Canterbury Kent College St Edmunds

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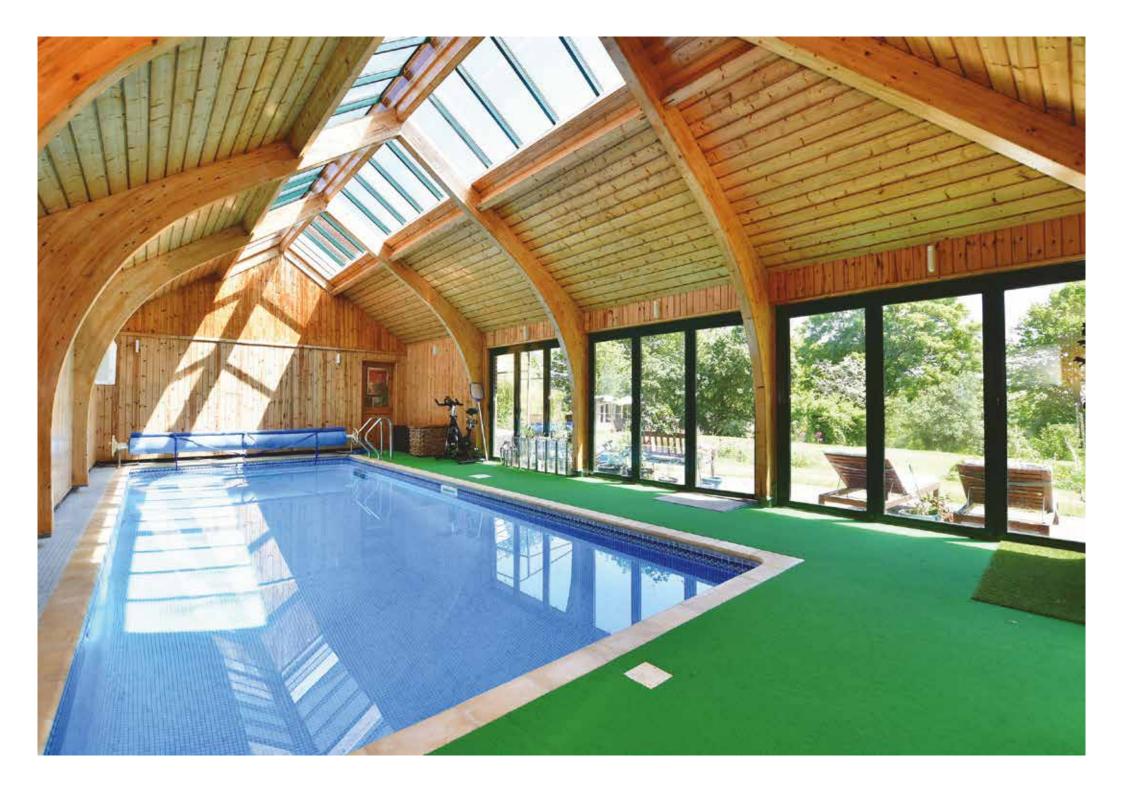
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Entertainment

Grove Ferry Inn Marlowe Theatre, Canterbury Gulbenkian Theatre Abode Hotel George and Dragon Fordwich Arms

Local Attractions/Landmarks

Wildwood Discovery Park Wingham Wild Life Park The Canterbury Tales The Beaney House Canterbury Cathedral Canterbury Heritage Museum 01227 860302 01227 787787 01227 769075 01227 766266 01227 710661 01227 710444





GROUND FLOOR

Entrance Hall Cloakroom Lounge Dining Room Studv Kitchen Area Breakfast Area Drawing Room Inner Hall/Lobby Utility Shower/Changing Room

Cloakroom Swimming Pool Pump Room

FIRST FLOOR

- Landing Bedroom 1 En Suite Bath/Shower Room Bedroom 3 Bedroom 4 Bedroom 2 En Suite Shower Room Family Bath/Shower Room Bedroom 5
- OUTSIDE

Rear Garden Summer House Front Garden Gated Driveway

OUTBUILDING GROUND FLOOR Double Garage 18'1 x 17'8 (5.52m x 5.39m)

OUTBUILDING FIRST FLOOR

Studio





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17'10 maximum x 15'5 (5.44m x 4.70m) 10'8 x 5'11 (3.25m x 1.80m) 13'3 x 11'7 (4.04m x 3.53m) 13'5 maximum x 11'7 (4.09m x 3.53m) 16'2 x 10'7 (4.93m x 3.23m) 9'7 x 6'1 (2.92m x 1.86m) 9'8 x 9'7 (2.95m x 2.92m) 17'9 x 10'0 (5.41m x 3.05m)

17'4 x 10'6 (5.29m x 3.20m)

21'9 x 13'8 (6.63m x 4.17m) 11'11 x 11'9 (3.63m x 3.58m)

8'2 x 6'8 (2.49m x 2.03m)

19'8 x 10'6 (6.00m x 3.20m)

20'2 x 16'2 (6.15m x 4.93m)

8'8 maximum x 7'5 maximum

30'0 x 12'0 (9.15m x 3.66m)

7'4 x 5'1 (2.24m x 1.55m)

8'2 x 6'3 (2.49m x 1.91m)

 $(2.64 \text{m} \times 2.26 \text{m})$

11'9 x 8'2 (3.58m x 2.49m)

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