

Trust

**South West** 

# To let

1 West Lodge, Sherborne, GL54 3DT *E*750 per calendar month



A one-bedroom cottage located on the outskirts of the picturesque village of Sherborne. The property has a lounge, small kitchen, one double bedroom and upstairs bathroom. There is also a small courtyard, outbuildings and off road parking. The property is available now, unfurnished. Pets will be considered. \*\*\* The National Trust is in the process of challenging the Council Tax band of this property (E) but the outcome cannot be guaranteed \*\*\*



















# The Location

1 West Lodge is located on the outskirts of the village of Sherborne which forms part of the National Trusts' Sherborne Estate. Sherborne lies within the Cotswold Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and offers amenities including a shop and outreach post office, social club, primary school and church. Further amenities are available in the nearby centres of Northleach (approx. 4 miles), Burford (approx. 8 miles) and Cirencester (approx. 13 miles). This property is part of Sherborne Park Estate that came to the Trust in 1987, which includes Lodge Park, a rare 17th century hunting lodge. The Estate comprises around 4,100 acres of rolling Cotswold countryside. For information about volunteering opportunities and events please call 01451 844130, or email lodgepark@nationaltrust.org.uk.



### Directions

For users of satellite navigation, please use the postcode GL54 3DT.

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#### **The National Trust**

The National Trust is Europe's leading conservation charity, and is committed to preserving special places for ever, for everyone. The Trust depends on the income it generates from its rental properties, and it could not deliver its core objectives without the support of its thousands of tenants and volunteers.

The successful tenant will receive Tenant-Custodian membership of the National Trust which entitles them to free access to Trust properties across England and Wales.

# **The Property**

### **Ground Floor**

### **Entrance Lobby**

Leads in to lounge and stairs to first floor.

### Lounge

Features include log burner, storage cupboards and a redundant old sink unit (not plumbed in)

### Kitchen

Split over two areas, one with length of base cupboards with space for tenant own cooker and under counter fridge/freezer. The other area has a sink and understairs storage space.

### Outbuildings

There are some small outbuildings, the closest of which to the back door has plumbing for the tenants own washing machine.

### **First Floor**

### Bedroom 1

Double bedroom with cast iron fireplace (non working).

### Bathroom

A spacious bathroom with 3-piece white suite, comprises bath with shower over, WC and wash hand basin. Heated ladder towel rail.

### Outside

As well as the outbuildings, there is a small patio area with gate access to the road to take out the bins. There is also a parking space across the road in a parking area shared with the neighbouring cottage

### **Outgoings and Services**

The property benefits from mains electricity, water and sewerage supplies. Heating is provided by Quantum storage heaters. Tenants are to provide their own cooker, washing machine and fridge/freezer.

TV and Internet connection must be organised by the tenant.

The tenant is responsible for all outgoings relating to the property.

### **Council Tax**

The tenant is to pay Council Tax. The property is in Band E for Council Tax and is payable to Cotswold District Council. **Please note, the NT is in the process of challenging the Council Tax band for this property, however the outcome cannot be guaranteed.** 

#### **Energy Performance Certificate**

An Energy Performance Certificate is available for this property in accordance with the Energy Performance of Buildings Regulations.



# The Tenancy

### Term

The property is available to let under an Assured Shorthold Tenancy for an initial term of 6 months, after which there could be an opportunity for the term to be extended.

#### Rent

The prospective tenant is asked to pay *E*750 per calendar month. The rent is to be payable by Direct Debit monthly in advance with the first payment being made on the commencement of the tenancy.

### **Rent reviews**

The National Trust carries out rent reviews of the property every two years to open market value.

### Deposit

The Tenant will not be required to pay a deposit or a holding deposit

### Insurance

The National Trust will be responsible for insuring the building, but the Tenant will be responsible for insuring the contents

### **Repairing Responsibilities (Summary)**

The Trust will be responsible for repairs to the structure, exterior of the building, installations for the supply of services, external decoration.

The Tenant will be responsible for internal repairs and decoration, garden, fences, drives, the cost of servicing appliances.

### **Sub Letting**

The property shall be occupied as a single private residence only. There will be no right to assign, sub-let or part with possession for the whole or any part of the premises.

### Pets

Tenants must seek the landlord's permission for any animals or birds to be kept at the property.

#### **National Trust tenants**

As a tenant of the National Trust, you'll receive a free 'tenant pass' throughout the duration of your tenancy. This means that you, your children (under 18) and one other adult can visit the places we care for, for free. You'll also receive a National Trust Handbook to help you plan your days out, a copy of the National Trust Magazine and a free parking permit for when you visit us. It's important to know that the income we make from the places we let plays an essential role in funding our conservation work. It protects nature, beauty and history for generations to come.

We're keen to build long-lasting tenant-landlord relationships that bring stability and longevity to your plans and ours. We know that tenants have high expectations of their National Trust rental property, but we also expect them to look after the property as if we were looking after it. That's because being a National Trust tenant means looking after a piece of history. It means being a custodian of a building. And it means helping to protect it for the next generation.

### **Viewings and Further Information**

### Viewings

Viewings strictly by appointment only.

Contact kathryn.alsbury@nationaltrust.org.uk for more information.

### GDPR

Our full Privacy Policy can be found online at https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/features/privacy-policy

As a Tenant of the National Trust, we will use your personal information to fulfil our contract with you. This may include, but is not limited to, sending you rental invoices, tenant and landlord correspondence, and contacting you with information about issues or activities relating to your lease. We will not pass your details to third parties except where you have provided explicit consent or where we need to do so in order to fulfil our legal or landlord responsibilities, for example if we need to send your address or contact details to a maintenance contractor so they can carry out repairs, or where we are required to liaise with Council Tax departments or Utilities companies at the beginning or end of a Tenancy.

For further information about being a National Trust tenant, you can visit us online at www.nationaltrust.org.uk/tenants

### Tenant Fees Act 2019 – National Trust Permitted Payments Schedule – 1st June 2019

Permitted Payment	Notes
Deposits	Whilst the receipt of a deposit is a permitted payment under the Tenant Fees Act 2019, for organisational reasons, <b>we do not</b> currently take deposits or holding deposits for our residential lettings.
The Rent	The agreed rent for the property is a permitted payment and payable as per the terms of the Tenancy.
Utilities (Water, Gas, Electricity, Septic Tank)	Tenant/s will be responsible for the payment of Utilities.
	Where forming part of the letting and as set out in the Tenancy agreement, we may recharge a utility supply to a residential property, including the proportional element of any standing charges and VAT if appropriate. Where properties are not connected to mains drainage, we may recharge the proportional costs of emptying the septic tank to the Tenant/s.
	In line with the Tenant Fees Act 2019, we may also add an administration charge for Water at £5 per annum for a property without a meter and £10 for a property with a meter.
Council Tax	Tenant/s will be responsible for the payment of council tax.
	Although these situations are uncommon, we may pay these and recharge these costs to Tenants where appropriate.
Telecoms/Broadband	Tenant/s will be responsible for the payment of their supply of communication costs such as Telecoms and Broadband.
	The sub-recharging of communications costs such as telephone and broadband are a permitted payment under the Tenant Fees Act 2019, although these situations are uncommon we may recharge these costs to Tenants where appropriate.
Fee for Variation of Tenancy	When requested by the Tenant/s, capped at £50, or reasonable costs incurred if higher as permitted by the Tenant Fees Act 2019.
Early Termination of Tenancy	Where the Tenant/s request the tenancy is terminated early, we may ask the Tenant/s to pay the costs associated with re-advertising the property. The Rent will remain payable until a new Tenancy commences.
	The costs charged will not exceed the loss or reasonable costs incurred by the Trust.
Default Charges	We may charge interest on late rental payments at the rate set out in Schedule 1, paragraph 4(5) of the Tenant Fees Act 2019