



The Dairy House
Kirkdale | Loose | Maidstone | Kent | ME15 0EA

Seller Insight



When the present owners viewed The Dairy House, they knew they had found a unique and very special home. They were initially attracted by the charming house nestling in its beautiful location, the wraparound garden with a natural stream running through it, the established vegetable patch and herb garden, plus useful outbuildings and a large yard. They also sensed the welcoming ambience in the house which, promised a delightful lifestyle. The owners say they have loved their time here.

They were fascinated by The Dairy Houses' long and fascinating history which began in the late sixteenth century when the building started life as a three storey ragstone and timber store for the village flour mill. It was expanded in the mid eighteenth century when the central part became the miller's house, and in eighteen hundred became two cottages. By nineteen thirteen it had become the village dairy where the Dip well in the garden kept the milk churns cold, and finally, in the nineteen fifties, the fantastic private home that it is today. The owners feel privileged to have been a part of the long history of The Dairy House.

The original features blend seamlessly with the sophistications of twenty first century living and since moving in, the owners have fully rewired the house, installed a central heating system and kitchen, and decorated throughout.

The owners say the Dairy House is a warm and welcoming home with a choice of rooms for family relaxation and entertaining. The Garden Room with its open fireplace and entrance into the kitchen is the central hub of the house: and everywhere there are charming reminders of the past. When the family settle in the cosy snug, they can recall that at one time the house was known as The Rose Inn, when the room was the bar of the beer house. It remains the perfect place for entertaining, and the owners have fond memories of events in the house and garden.

The garden is a delight, where the soothing sounds of the babbling stream and bird song, are all you hear. It is a beautiful and tranquil oasis where you can sit and savour the natural beauty that surrounds you. Uninterrupted countryside views and the church spire add to the feeling of being miles from anywhere.

Picturesque Loose is a community minded village with several clubs and societies meeting in the Loose Parish Pavilion. Each year the village hosts traditional activities such as Morris Dancing and a Duck Race. There are excellent primary and secondary schools nearby, shops for everyday needs and a good pub, which is only a short stroll from the house.. It is a fifteen minute drive to Maidstone station for trains into London whilst the M20 and M2 providing easy connections to the M25.

*The owners will miss the peaceful nature of the house, garden and the friendly village with its charming country lifestyle, but take away lasting and happy memories.**

* These comments are the personal views of the current owners 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.





Step inside

The Dairy House

Fine & Country are pleased to present The Dairy House, a remarkable Grade II Listed residence set in the very heart of the Loose Valley Conservation Area, a village renowned for its timeless charm, meandering streams and idyllic rural setting.

Enjoying a privileged position within the historic core of the village, the property lies just a short stroll from tranquil footpaths and the babble of the Loose stream. Loose is the very picture of Kentish village life, with its pretty ragstone church and renowned public house set alongside the stream, offering a timeless backdrop to the valley's picturesque landscape. Mature trees and established planting provide a natural screen from the lane, creating an atmosphere of calm and privacy within this much-loved setting.

Internally, The Dairy House brims with character. Exposed brick fireplaces, timber sash windows, original beams and gently sloping ceilings all reflect the home's heritage and enduring charm. The flexible ground floor layout includes three reception rooms, each with its own distinct feel, along with a traditional kitchen, family bathroom and separate WC. The attached workshop offers excellent potential for conversion, whether as a ground floor bedroom, study, gym, cinema room or creative space, subject to acquiring planning permission.

Believed to date back to the sixteenth century, the property has evolved over time, having served as a miller's store, a working dairy and later a village beer house, with each chapter adding richness to its story. Today, it offers scope for gentle reimagining to suit modern needs. The first floor features three bedrooms and a loft room above. The current layout allows access from bedroom three through to the principal bedroom, a configuration that may appeal to those seeking a dedicated dressing area, nursery or study. Alternatively, there is scope to reconfigure the first floor, subject to acquiring planning permission, perhaps creating a generous principal suite with en suite and dressing room, and a separate bathroom to serve bedroom two.





Step outside

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The mature gardens wrap gently around the home, providing a sanctuary of colour, privacy and space to relax or entertain. A double car port and parking for several vehicles are neatly positioned within the plot.

Loose is one of Kent's most picturesque villages, offering a rich heritage, scenic walks and an unmistakable sense of place. A highly regarded village primary school is close by, with grammar schools in nearby Maidstone and independent options at Sutton Valence. Mainline rail services to London are available from both Maidstone and Staplehurst, and the M20 is easily accessible via Junction eight.

A home of character, depth and potential, ready for the next custodian to create their own vision of the perfect home in one of the region's most idyllic settings.

Freehold

Council tax Band F

EPC Rating D

For mobile phone coverage in this area please look online

Ultrafast, Superfast & Standard Broadband is available at the property.

Utilities:- Electric / Gas / Mains Water / Mains Drainage

Property is Listed

Property is in a conservation area

Guide price £595,000



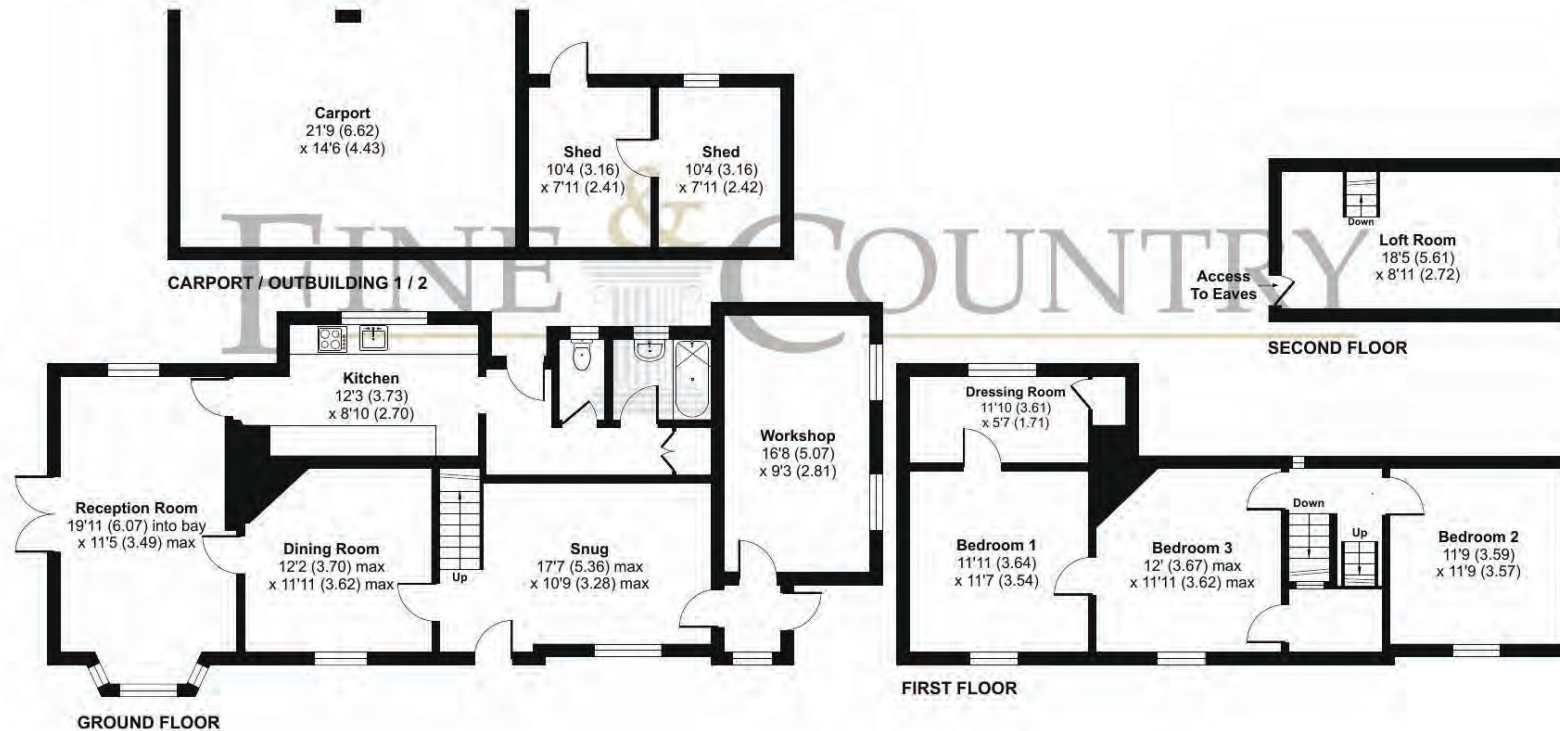
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Approximate Area = 1764 sq ft / 163.9 sq m (excludes carport)

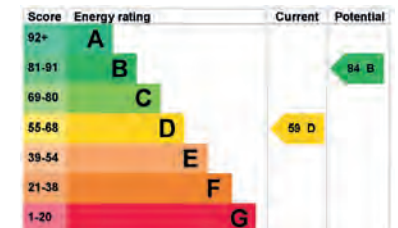
Outbuildings = 169 sq ft / 15.7 sq m

Total = 1933 sq ft / 179.6 sq m

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