



Long Hey Lane

Darwen, BB3 3QD

£650,000



Duxbury Fold Farm is a large, detached farmhouse-style property with equestrian facilities, a substantial plot, and approximately four acres of grazing land. It's located in the heart of open countryside in Pickup Bank, Darwen, with spectacular panoramic views as far as the eye can see! Equestrian facilities include three stables, barn store, and riding arena, plus field shelters within the acreage. The property also includes a garage, private gated drive and yard, gardens and outdoor seating areas outside the house, as well as planning permission for a large two-storey extension.

The house itself is an impressive size with massive proportions and a sense of grandeur with high ceilings throughout, making it a fantastic choice for family life. A brief overview of the ground floor accommodation includes two entrance halls and a handy porch, three reception rooms, a kitchen-diner, downstairs WC, utility room, and cellar. The first floor includes five good sized double bedrooms and a family bathroom. The third reception room on the ground floor is currently used as a bedroom with an en-suite.



Living Space

The main entrance to the house is through a large porch which offers great practicality for the type of lifestyle this property offers – absolutely perfect for equestrian enthusiasts and lovers of the great outdoors – it’s substantial size and tiled floor gives heaps of space for muddy boots and wet coats. The porch leads into one of two entrance halls, the one next to the porch adds more practicality with its spacious size and tiled floor, ideal for keeping four legged friends after strolls in the miles of countryside on your doorstep. The second hall is very grand with its huge size and high ceilings, leading to the two lounges which take full advantage of the fabulous, uninterrupted views.

The lounge to left benefits from a contemporary media wall with shelving and integral storage, a TV point and inset lighting. The modern style blends with the country character through a feature fire opening with slate hearth and wooden mantle. It’s a super cosy room that’s ideal as a snug, or perhaps a second lounge for the kids.

The lounge to the right is a touch larger than the snug and makes a great principal sitting room. The exposed stone fireplace with log burner takes centre stage and adds to the feel of rustic countryside living. The glass door with window surrounds pours in an abundance of natural light and frames more of those tranquil scenic views. Just imagine on warm summer days, you can have the door swung open and make the most of that lovely indoor-outdoor lifestyle while enjoying the convenience of the riding arena quite literally on your doorstep.

Continuing the traditional countryside feel, the kitchen-diner features a Belfast sink, range style cooker, plus another log burner and exposed stone on the chimney. It lends itself well to everyday family life and socialising with family and friends – the great size allows a large dining table to be the social centre of the room, and a bespoke fitted bar to seat four adds extra social space and practicality. The range cooker provides a five-plate induction hob, three ovens, grill, and warming drawer, and the generous size of the room gives lots of space for other freestanding appliances.

The third reception is currently used as a double bedroom with a modern, newly fitted three-piece en-suite, so is handy as a guest room or if you would like to have a relative living with you. Alternatively, it provides versatility for a variety of uses – a play room or games room for the kids, a formal dining room, or maybe a large home office?

The downstairs cloak off the hall has also been refurbished to modern standards featuring a tiled floor and tiled feature wall, and a built-in unit with basin, storage, and WC. Attached to the house but with external access, the property has a large utility room with plumbing for the washer and dryer and provides storage for all your bits and bobs. The cellar is another handy space, likely not for everyday use, but it adds a good amount of extra internal storage space.

Bedrooms and Bathrooms

The staircase matches the hall in its size and sense of grandeur, leading to an equally spacious landing where the high ceilings continue on the first floor. In the centre of the house at the end of the landing, the family bathroom boasts more of the superb views, in addition to a stylish contemporary suite and finish, which despite its excellent contemporary condition and part tiled walls matches the character of the property. The traditional high quality Dunkeld basin, WC, and feature radiator adds trendy contrast to the modern freestanding bathtub, and the walk-in corner shower has complementary fully tiled surrounds.

The smallest of the five bedrooms is a good-sized double, and the four others are enormous, giving an extremely generous amount of space for even the largest of families! If you don’t need five bedrooms, you could perhaps knock through from one of the large doubles into the smallest double to create a huge master suite with walk-in wardrobe and en-suite. The choice is yours!

Gardens, Land, and Outbuildings

If you’re looking for a countryside retreat with oodles of outside space and practicality, this could be the one! Pull of the country lane onto the gated drive and into the yard. The house stands proud in the centre of the plot with heaps of space all around it. The drive and yard have space for many vehicles, whether its 4x4s, horse trailers, vans, caravans or motorhomes, there’s ample space for them all!

At either side of the house are levelled terraces which offer ideal space for BBQs, outdoor dining, or just sitting back and enjoying the view during the summer months. The garden areas lead to the rear of the property where the riding arena and grazing land are found.

The riding arena is in excellent condition with good fencing and ground, and we are advised it is full size. The circa four acres of grazing land are very conveniently located right next to the riding arena and property, making it easy to manage. The acreage also currently includes a smaller pen for goats, and several field shelters.

Back up to the yard at the front of the house, and a large outbuilding is separated into different sections to create three stables, a barn store/tack room, and a garage/additional store room.

Location

The only people nearby are a handful of neighbours, horses, and livestock! Duxbury Fold Farm is perfect for those in search of a quiet, rural lifestyle. As well as the peace and quietude of the countryside setting, the village of Hoddlesden is nearby, providing access to village amenities and the Ranken pub. Darwen and Blackburn offer a wider range of amenities to the north, as does Bolton to the south. Motorway access is relatively easy for commuting via junction 5 of the M65.

Planning Permission To Extend

There is planning permission for a 2 storey extension on the right of the property. The current owners have it planned out as a separate 3 bed annex, though it could be altered accordingly if desired (in line with regulations). Please see the attachments for pdf plans and elevations.

Specifics

The tax band is F.

The tenure is freehold.

There is gas central heating with a Vaillant boiler in the utility room.

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